

FORM B - BUILDING

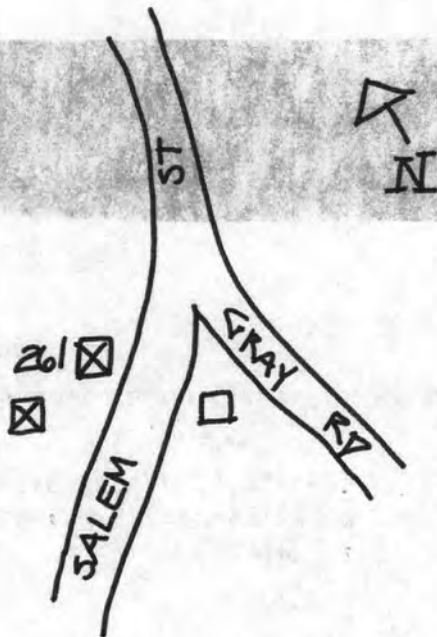
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	507

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

507: South Groveland Quad, 1:25000
19/327065/4721790



1. Town ANDOVER
Address 261 Salem Street
Name Harnden Farm
Present use Residential

Present owner Dimlich, Marion

3. Description:
Date ca. 1840
Source Deeds & maps
Style Greek Revival

Architect ----
Exterior wall fabric Clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) Original barn, garage

Other features 2½ stories; gable roof; side chimneys; pedimented gable ends; 5 bay facade has center portico w/fluted columns & roof balustrade; sidelights; 6/6 windows; side doorway w/glazed transom 1 story rear ell

Altered ----- Date _____
Moved ----- Date _____

5. Lot size: Map 28, Parcel 6
One acre or less _____ Over one acre X

Approximate frontage 300'

Approximate distance of building from street
12'

6. Recorded by W. Frontiero
Organization Andover Historical Commission
Date August 7, 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Jesse Harnden

Original use residential

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates same

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

No. 261 Salem St was built ca. 1840 for Jesse Harnden (1811-81), a farmer who moved here from Reading. Harnden, who had married Dorothy Willett in 1835, bought the land from Amos Pearson in 1839. He prospered as a farmer and left an estate worth nearly \$9000 -- divided nearly equally between real and personal estate. In 1881 the dwelling house was worth only \$75 more than the substantial barn which accompanied it and still stands. Jesse's son George inherited the property and occupied it until his death in 1902, although he continued to operate a shoe factory in Lynn at the same time. A few years after his death the homestead was sold out of the original family.

This very traditional design retains a surprisingly late amount of Federal-style influence in its plan, form, and graceful proportions. The Greek Revival period is unmistakable however in the pedimented gable ends and unusually stylish barn. The center portico with its fluted columns and roof balustrade is particularly remarkable in this remote area.

The Harnden Farm is interesting for the late, transitional design of the house and a striking Greek Revival barn; it has long associations with the agricultural history of Andover as well. The property retains integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and setting, and meets Criteria A and C of the National Register.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Essex County Registry of Deeds, Lawrence and Salem (895/53; 895/54; 351/459; 330/481; 288/306; 288/305; 311/219; 311/142; 226/109; Probate Docket Nos. 91370, 58130)
Andover Historical Society Vertical Files, "Harnden Family," "Harnden Genealogy" comp. by Charlotte Helen Abbott
Andover Town Directory, 1897

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Town of Andover Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 21. Cochran, Jehiel, House Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____
- 22. Dascomb House *Entered in the*
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____
- 23. West Parish Center District Substantive Review Keeper *W.D. Bralman* 10/7/82
Attest _____
- MA* 24. Academy Hill Historic District *Substantive Review* Keeper *W.D. Bralman* 10/7/82
Attest _____
- 25. Flint Farm Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____
- 26. Follansbee House Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____
- 27. Frye, Nathan, House Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____
- 28. Gray, David, House ~~Substantive Review~~ Keeper *W.D. Bralman* 6-10-82
Attest *Patrick Andrews* 6/8/82
- 29. Harding, Sarah H., House Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____
- 30. Harnden Farm Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Selous Byers* 6/10/82
Attest _____

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: Harnden Farm (Town of Andover MRA)
State, County: MA, Essex
Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 4/23/82-1083
Fed. Reg. Date: FEB 1 1983
Date Due: 5/27/82 - 6/12/82
Action: ACCEPT 6/10/82
Entered in the RETURN
National Register REJECT
photos _____
maps _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
 see continuation sheet

nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category: Ownership Status Present Use
 Public Acquisition Accessible

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition: excellent deteriorated good fair
Check one: unaltered altered
Check one: original site moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance:

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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8. Significance

Period _____ Area of Significance—Check and justify below _____

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) _____

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USDT References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

Title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-35

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



261 Salem St.

Harnden Farm

Town of Andover MA, Ma

OCT 1980

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000298