

FORM B - BUILDING

roll no 8000567

In Area no.	Form no. 116-G
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

1. Town Worcester
 Address 23 Harvard Street
 Name Jerome Marble House
 Present use offices
 Present owner Thomas Donahue and William Rauscher

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

3. Description:
 Date 1867
 Source Worcester Society of Antiquity
 Style Second Empire
 Architect Elbridge Boyden
 Exterior wall fabric brick
 Outbuildings (describe) none
 Other features entrance set between projecting bay windows, brick gubbing, mansard roof with decorative slatework, modillioned cornice

Roll 29

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

Altered aluminum and glass door Date 1960s-70s

Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size: Assessors' Book 2, p.31, Lot 4 11,199 sq.ft.

UTM: 19/268820/4683180

One acre or less Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 65'

Approximate distance of building from street 10'

6. Recorded by R. Moore ed. B.R. Pfeiffer

Organization Worc. Heritage Pres. Soc.

Date November 1977

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Jerome Marble

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates offices (present)

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 type="checkbox"/>				

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

The Jerome Marble House is an excellent local example of Second Empire style architecture, and one of the few buildings of its style for which an architect has been identified. Built of pressed brick, the house is two and one half stories high with a slate-covered mansard roof. The house's facade is symmetrical with a center entrance flanked by three-sided bay windows; the roof bears a variety of gabled and arched dormers. With the exception of a modern front door, the Marble House is unaltered and in excellent condition; the property also retains an original granite stoop, rock-faced granite retaining wall and granite gate posts.

Jerome Marble (1824-1906) was a native of Charlton, Massachusetts who came to Worcester in 1853, becoming a business partner of C.A. Harrington. In 1863 the company became Jerome Marble & Co., "druggists and dealers in paints and oils, chemicals, etc." Other business associations of Marble's included a membership on the Board of Directors of the Quinsigamond Bank and efforts to establish "the first excursion car business in the country" under the name of the Worcester Excursion Car Company, an effort which eventually failed when the company was denied the use of railroad beds.

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

Proceedings, Worcester Society of Antiquity (1896) p.284 (Doyden reference)
Mutt, C. History of Worcester and Its People, vol. III, pp. 177-178 (Marble biography)

Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos 383 + 13
Maps 2, 63

Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description or statement of significance & the individual inventory sheets are well done. Each type of property included is well justified, & reasons are listed for not including others at this time (e.g. 3-deckers). **HISTORIAN**
Call/Accept
Lightner
10.30.79

Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets. **ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

Concur with Bruce's comments on 102-L-3, 116-CBD-11, 117-E, and 130-CBD-50 and 44. Integrity and/or boundaries need to be addressed specifically on individual forms. **ARCHEOLOGIST**

116-CBD-11 - Destroyed, cannot be listed.
130-CBD-44 - I am not convinced this has lost integrity. See attached.
102-L-3 - Period of significance and categorization of 1 bldg need to be discussed with State.

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. **OTHER**
ACCEPT
M. K. [unclear]
2/28/80

Both technically and to determine significance, although some of the forms did not contain strong statements of significance the resource categories were thoroughly discussed in the body of the nomination; therefore significance was established. VBDs were not necessary because of the scale maps and clearly delineated boundaries. **HAER**
Inventory _____
Review _____

PREMISE WAS MISSING IN SOME PROPERTIES BUT IS NOW INCLUDED AFTER THE 2/11/CORRECTIONS. THE ONLY PROPERTIES THAT I DO NOT RECOMMEND LISTING ARE
✓ 116-CBD-13 - DESTROYED BY FIRE MD - 116 CBD-11
130-CBD-44 - DOES NOT RETAIN INTEGRITY FOR INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY

✓ 102-L-3 I ~~DO NOT~~ ^{AM} NOT CONVINCED ABOUT BOUNDARIES BUT BELIEVE THEY COULD BE OK. **REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**
ON ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED - I DEFER JUDGMENT.
Recommend listing all properties ^{now} except these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~to discuss further~~ w/NR staff + state. **BRANCH CHIEF** 3/3/80
Return 102-L-3 to state for correction; **DOUBLE**
HOLD 130-CBD-44 for info from state

Staff conference 3/5/80 - agreed to action as noted below: **KEEPER**

Accept with exception of 116-CBD-11 (official notification of fire & claim from State), 102-L-3 (returning to state for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (holding fruit from state) **3/5/80**

National Register Write-up _____ Send-back _____ Entered MAR 5 1980
Federal Register Entry 2.3.81 Re-submit _____ **SEE 3/13/80 REPORT**



United States Department of the Interior

HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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SEP 27 1979

Dear Property Owner:

The property you own has been nominated for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register is the government's official list of historic buildings and other cultural resources worthy of preservation. This nomination is pending in our office.

If your property is depreciable and is listed in the National Register, there are certain benefits and provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 that may apply to you. We are enclosing information about this law and a general description of the National Register program.

Soon we will be considering whether your property should be listed, using as our guidelines the "Criteria for Evaluation" shown in the enclosed material. If you wish to comment on whether your property should be listed, we would be pleased to hear from you. Send your comments within 30 days of the date of this letter to me, Charles A. Herrington, Acting Keeper of the National Register, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Department of the Interior, Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20243 (Attn: NOM). Please include the name and address of the property as shown on the address label on this letter. If you have questions about the National Register program or the enclosed material, you should also address them to me.

In the enclosed material you will note references to standards for rehabilitating old buildings. These standards are a list of do's and don't's for people who are fixing up old buildings. If the owner of a building listed in the National Register, either individually or as part of a district, wishes to take advantage of the Tax Reform Act benefits, these standards must be followed. A copy of these standards is available from Technical Preservation Services, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Department of the Interior, Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20243. Questions about the standards should also be addressed to that same office.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Herrington
Acting Keeper of the National Register

Thomas Donahue & William Rauscher
23 Harvard St.
Worcester, MA

RE: Worcester Multiple Resource Area
Jerome Marble House

Worcester Multiple Resource
Area 9-11-79

116-6

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ATTN: N. O. M.

RE: WORCESTER MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA
JEROME MARBLE HOUSE
REFERENCE 663

Dear Mr. Herrington:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated September 27, 1979. Mr. Rauscher and I would be pleased to have this property listed in the National Register of historical places. I am sure that you have the history of the building from the local historical commission. We purchased the building in 1977 and occupy it as a law office. The building itself (both on the inside and out) has not been structurally changed at all. It has, of course, been papered and painted and the original woodwork has been restored. The old coal fireplaces are in several of the law offices and we still use them in the wintertime even though the building is, of course, now heated with gas heat.

If you need any further information on this, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

Thomas J. Donahue, Jr.
Thomas J. Donahue, Jr.

TJD/aep

OCT 15 1979

THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

OCT 17 1979

DATE REC'D

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE (ATTACHED)

INFORMATIVE MATERIAL

TELEPHONE CALL (ATTACHED)

DATE ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS

10/25



by Berkeley

Prestige Prints

JUN 1979

by Berkeley

Prestige Prints

JUN 1979

30 AUG 1979

116-6

Marble, Jerome, House

23 Harvard St.

Worcester MRA, Ma

south + east
elevations

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000304