

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.

Form no.

90-G-2

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

Exp 10 Roll 9

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

1. Town WorcesterAddress 131 Lincoln StreetName Charles Miles HousePresent use residential/office

Dorothy V. and Ronald
Present owner Johnson

3. Description:

Date ca. 1850Source city maps and directoriesStyle ItalianateArchitect unknownExterior wall fabric clapboardOutbuildings (describe) garage

Other features nearly square floor plan
with ell, hip roof with balustrade,
porch, cornice with modillions,
quoins

Altered no Date _____Moved no Date _____

Assessors' Book 1, p. 9
5. Lot size: Lots 12 & 13 21,878 sq. ft.

One acre or less x Over one acre _____Approximate frontage 150'

Approximate distance of building from street

45'
S. Lee

6. Recorded by B.R. PfeifferOrganization Worc. Heritage Pres. SocDate January 1978

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Charles Miles

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates residence and office

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	☐	Conservation	☐	Recreation	☐
Agricultural	☐	Education	☐	Religion	☐
Architectural	☒	Exploration/ settlement	☐	Science/ invention	☐
The Arts	☐	Industry	☐	Social/ humanitarian	☐
Commerce	☐	Military	☐	Transportation	☐
Communication	☐	Political	☐		
Community development	☐				

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

Together with the John Hammond House (264 Highland Street - see Form 101-B;- Hammond Heights) which it resembles, the Charles Miles House is one of Worcester's best examples of Italianate residential architecture. The house is made up of a two-storey front section with a hip roof and rock-faced granite foundation and a rear ell, centered in the east wall of the front section. Among the house's fine details are corner quoins, a modillioned cornice, "widow's walk" framed by a balustrade, bay windows and window caps set on consoles. An especially fine detail is the house's original porch (facade) framed by arched openings.

Around 1846 a house on the opposite corner of Forestdale Road was purchased by Willard Miles. Between 1847 and 1849 Charles Miles, a clerk in the Worcester County Treasurer's Office, was listed in local directories as a boarder at Willard Miles's house. The change in Charles Miles's listing to a separate house on Lincoln Street (1850) and the appearance of a house on this site on the 1851 map of Worcester suggest the building's construction date.

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

City atlases and directories.

Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

TECHNICAL

Photos 383 + 13
Maps 2, 63

CONTROL

Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description & 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*
Opposition is high. Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets.

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. ^{ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN} *DOUBLE*

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 bldgs need to be discussed with State.

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. ~~Both~~ ^{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. PBDS were not necessary because

OTHER

*ACCEPT
M. C. ROYAL
2/28/80*

of the scale maps and clearly delineated boundaries. Please was missing on some properties but is now included after the 2/11/corrections.

HAER

The only properties that I do not recommend listing are

Inventory _____

✓ 116-CBD-13 - DESTROYED BY FIRE MD - 16 CBD-11

Review _____

130-CBD-44 - DOES NOT RETAIN INTEGRITY FOR INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY

✓ 102-L-3 I ~~am not~~ ^{am not} convinced about boundaries

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

BUT BELIEVE THEY COULD BE OK. ~~BASED~~

ON ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED - I DEFER JUDGEMENT.

Recommend Listing all properties ^{now} ~~except~~ these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~to discuss further~~ ^{to discuss further} w/NR staff + State. *DOUBLE*

BRANCH CHIEF 3/3/80

Return 102-L-3 to State for correction;

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 & demo from SHRB), 102-L-3 (returning to State for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (filing from State)

*Soldner
3/5/80*

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back _____

Entered _____

MAR 5 1980

Federal Register Entry 2.3.81

Re-submit _____



Miles, Charles, Hunt

QO-G-2

80 AUG 1979

Worcester MRA, Ma

131 Lincoln St.

west + south elevations

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000304