

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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BOSTON, MA 02116

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AREA

W-0110

Town Newton (Waban)Address 86 Waban AvenueHistoric Name Second C.A. Sawyer HouseUse: Present residentialOriginal same

DESCRIPTION

Date 1919Source Building PermitStyle Colonial RevivalArchitect Derby & RobinsonExterior Wall Fabric brickOutbuildings matching garage of Flemish
bond brick-CMajor Alterations (with dates) noneCondition excellentMoved no Date n/aAcreage 28,330 sq.ft. C .65ASetting located in large residential sub-
division known as Waban VillageRecorded by Candace Jenkins/Susan AbeleOrganization Newton Historical Comm.Date 6/1987; rev. 3/1988

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

see attached map

UTM REFERENCE 19/315060/4688000

USGS QUADRANGLE NEWTON

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Second C. A. Sawyer, Jr. House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant as an exceptionally well-detailed and preserved example of the Colonial Revival style, executed in brick. Derby and Robinson, noted for their Colonial Revival domestic designs, were the architects. It is also representative of Newton's early 20th century suburban growth which resulted in infill of established areas as well as in development of new subdivisions. It meets criteria A & C of the NRHP.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

The Sawyer House is a finely detailed example of the Colonial Revival style constructed of brick laid up in Flemish bond and enclosed by a slate gable roof with pedimented dormers. A beltcourse separating the first and second stories adds to the rich effect. The symmetrical facade is centered on the entry with massive arched hood. Flanking multi-pane windows are headed by splayed brick lintels. A projecting wing and chimney are appended to the left side. The large well landscaped lot complements this fine house.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

C.(Charles) Adrian Sawyer, Jr., of the Sawyer Construction Company, built three houses in Waban between 1910 and 1926, all designed by the well-known firm of Derby & Robinson and built by the Sawyer Construction Company. The first house, at 16 Pilgrim Road, was featured in *The House Beautiful* magazine, September 1915. The family moved to Chicago for a short time, but returned by 1919 and built the house at 86 Waban Avenue. A third house, at 57 Dorset Road, was built in 1926. A photograph of this house can be found in the *Newton War Memorial*. The firm of Derby & Robinson, whose principal architect Richard Derby lived in Concord, specialized in domestic Colonial architecture. The Pierce House (1916,*NV-078), 237 Mill Street in Newtonville is another Derby & Robinson design. Derby was also responsible for many fine Colonial house in his native Concord.

The Sawyer Construction Company, in which C. Adrian Sawyer, Jr. was affiliated, is still in business. Sawyer was also involved with the Peabody Home for Crippled Children for many years. He died in 1952.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Building Department Records: 16 Pilgrim Rd., 86 Waban Ave., 57 Dorset Rd.
City Directories and Atlases
The House Beautiful, September 1915, *Newton War Memorial*

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Sawyer, C. A., House (Second)

MULTIPLE NAME: Newton MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/02/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/16/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/01/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/16/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000043

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 2/16/90 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas 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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTMs boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

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Signed _____ Date _____

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

151. Luke, Arthur F., House **Entered in the National Register**

Keeper Melrose Byers 2/16/90

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152. Newton Catholic High School
Substantive Review

Keeper Beth L. Savage 02-16-90

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153. Newton Centre Branch Library
Substantive Review

Keeper Beth L. Savage 02-16-90

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154. Newton City Hall and War Memorial
Substantive Review

Keeper Beth L. Savage 02-16-90

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155. Noves, Charles W., House
Entered in the National Register

Keeper Melrose Byers 2/16/90

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156. Pierce, F. Lincoln, Houses
Entered in the National Register

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157. Plummer Memorial Library
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158. Riverside Concrete Company--Lamont's Market
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159. Sawyer, C. A., House (Second)
Entered in the National Register

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Attest _____

160. Schraft, George F., House
Substantive Review

Keeper _____

Attest _____

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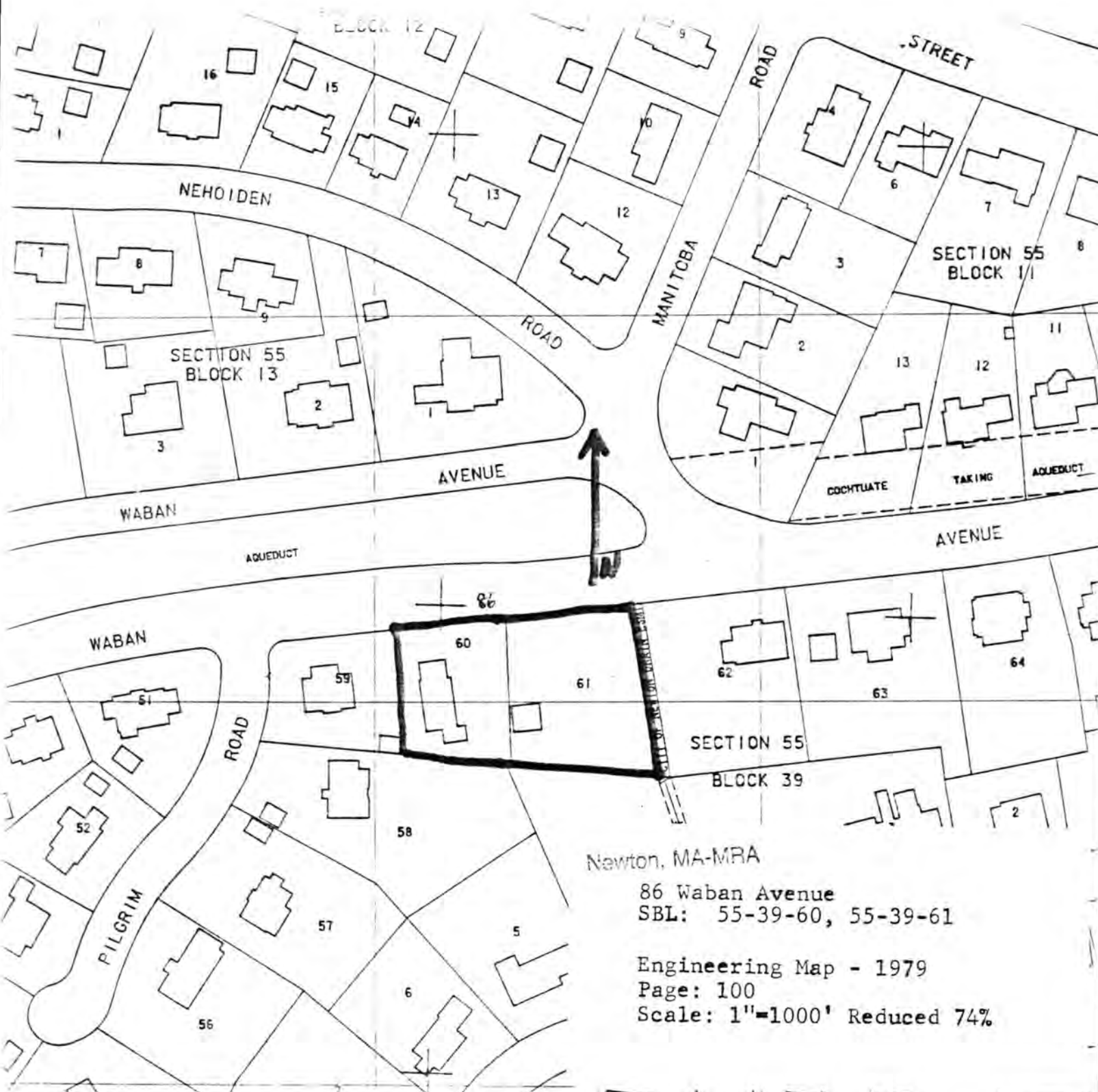
C.A. Sawyer House #2
86 Waban Ave
Newton, MA

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C. Jenkins
7/57
neg. @ Jackson Homestead
new - west

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86 Waban Avenue
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Engineering Map - 1979
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