

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
	4363

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.

Town Newton (Auburndale)

Address 33 Woodland Road

Historic Name Rufus Estabrook House

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

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date circa 1848

Source Jackson Homestead Publication

Style Greek Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings garage

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition very good

Moved no Date

Acreage 43,470 sq. ft. *less than one acre*

Setting Suburban residential

Recorded by Bruce Fernald

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

Date 12/1/79

Rev. by H. White 3/86

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 19.314460.4690230

USGS QUADRANGLE Natick, Mass.

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Rufus Estabrook house is notable as one of the earliest suburban residences built in Auburndale after subdivision and development were initiated in 1847 by the North Auburn Dale Land Company. It is also an excellent and well-preserved example of the Greek Revival sidehall type of suburban house, and therefore meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

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

This well-preserved Greek Revival sidehall dwelling retains a number of characteristics of the style including the full-width one-story Ionic portico, entrance offset to the left with transom and sidelights, wide corner pilasters, pedimented dormers and six-over-six windows. The house's most distinctive feature is the unusual openwork in the porch frieze. City atlases indicate that a barn stood on the site of the present garage.

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

Rufus Estabrook, a Boston broker, is believed to have been the first owner of this house.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Friends of the Jackson Homestead. Newton's Older Houses: Auburndale, no date.
Newton City Atlases: 1874, 1886, 1895, 1907.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

41. Dupee Estate

Entered in the
National Register for Keeper

Attest

Melrose Byers 9/4/86

42. Elliott, Charles D., House

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43. Eminence, The

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44. Estabrook, Rufus, House

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45. Evangelical Baptist
ChurchEntered in the
National Register for Keeper

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46. Farquhar, Samuel, House

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47. Fenno, John A., House

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48. First Unitarian Church

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49. Fuller, Capt. Edward,
FarmEntered in the
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50. Gane, Henry, House

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Estabrook, Rufus, House (Newton MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. _____
Fed. Reg. Date: JUL 23 1986 / 2/3/87
Date Due: 8/24/86 - 9/6/86
Action: ACCEPT 9-4-86
_____ RETURN
_____ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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

Entered in the
National Register

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	Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	
	☐ unaltered	
	☐ altered	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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: _____



Restabrook, Rufus, House

Newton, Mass. MRA

- 33 Woodland Rd, Auburndale -
79-D-23 (18)



City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet **38**
 Metric Series. 1979
 Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

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