

# BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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**GENERAL**

**HISTORIC NAME:** Cadmus House

**COMMON NAME:**

**LOCATION:** 264 Glen Road  
(Block 509, Lot 14) →  
Woodcliff Lake

**MUNICIPALITY:**

**OWNERSHIP:**  Public  Private

**OWNER/ADDRESS:** S. X. Kestler  
(name)

**REFERENCE**

**MAP REFERENCES:**

- Erskine (1778-80)
- Hopkins-Corey (1861) A. Delamater
- Walker's Atlas (1876) D.A. Hopkins
- Bromley (1912) J. S. Smith
- Other

**RECOGNITION:**

- National Register
- BCHS Marker
- HABS
- Bailey
- Other

**ENVIRONMENT**

**HOUSE ORIENTATION:** S 15° W

**IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:**

**SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:**

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

**COMMENTS:**

**THREATS TO STRUCTURE**

**ORIGINAL:** Residence

**PRESENT:** Residence

**THREATS TO STRUCTURE:**

- Roads
- Development
- Zoning
- Deterioration
- Other
- No Threat

**COMMENTS:**

**CONDITION**

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- Excellent
- Fair
- Good
- Deteriorated

**STATUS:**

- Occupied
- Unoccupied
- Work in Progress

**ACCESSIBLE:**

- Yes, Restricted
- Yes, Unrestricted
- No

This house has undergone numerous alterations, so is difficult to understand. The wing seems very early, but would not be in the correct location if the house originally faced east. (it may not have).

**PHOTO**



**MAP**



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**

Unknown.

**BUILDER:**

Probably a Cadmus.

**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**

Not known.

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**

- Intermediate Summer Beam
- Intermediate Bearing Wall
- Clear Span
- Other

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**

Sandstone ashlar on front, random on west and north, frame on east.

**FENESTRATION:**

(altered?)

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 1-1/2

- CELLAR:**  Yes  
 No

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**

- Stone Arch (under wing)
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:**

Not exposed.

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:**

8'5"

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:**

22" more or less.

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**

**GARRET:**

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

**ROOF:**

- Gable
- Gambrel (late?)
- Curb
- Other

**EAVE TREATMENT:**

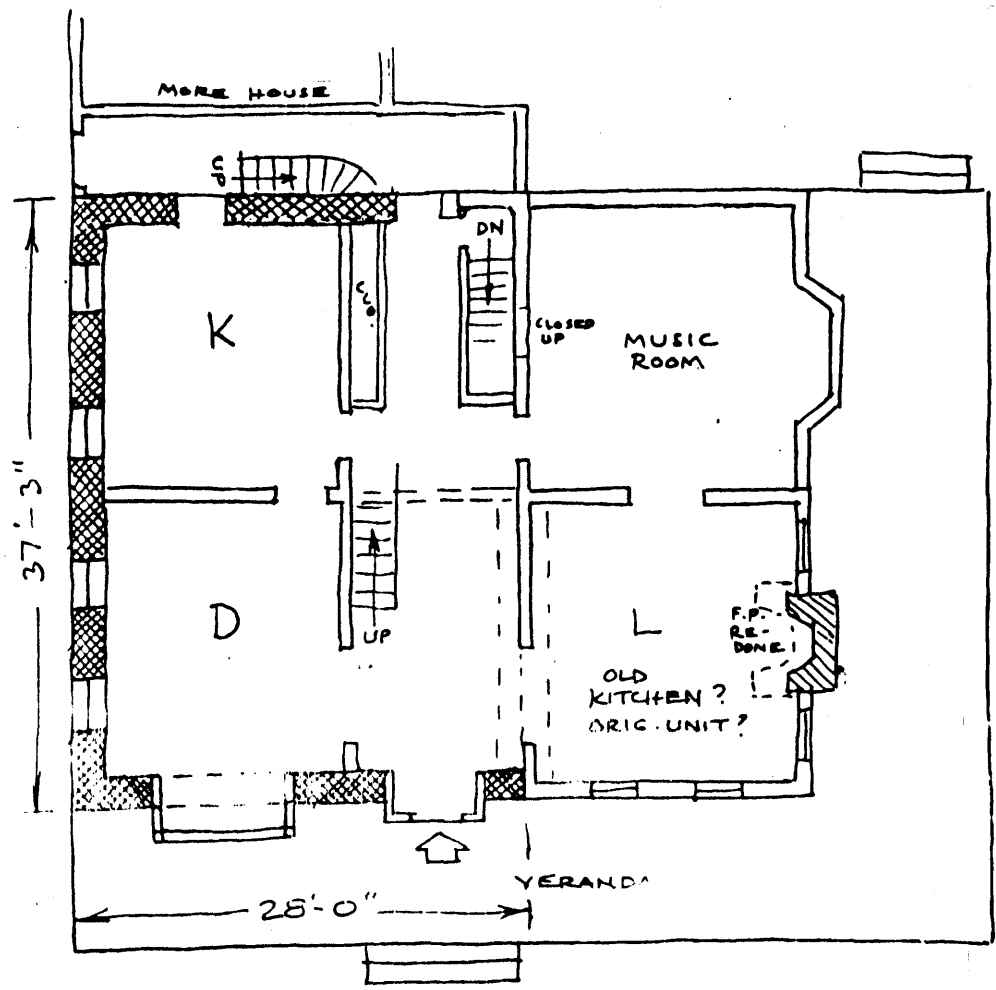
- Sweeping Overhang
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

This house, while having been altered through the years, still retains a sufficient amount of its original fabric that it should be recognized and retained. We are therefore including it for its architectural significance, for its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County area, and for its remaining historic fabric. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.

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FLOOR PLANS 1911



**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Howard I. Durie feels that Frederick Cadmus built the original section (the wing?) c. 1750. He served as a roadmaster in 1779-80. A loyalist judgement was entered against him on January 30, 1784 and the farm was rented. It came again into the possession of the Cadmus family by 1786 when Frederick's son Abraham had one-half of the original farm. He married Catharine Gerritg/Van Wagenen and they had a daughter, Sarah, on March 24, 1785. Abraham died March 15, 1801 and Sarah and her husband, Abraham Delamater, inherited the property. Sarah died in 1860, leaving the house and 45 acres to her son Isaac Delamater. He died September 18, 1865 and the farm was sold to Frederick Van Riper. David A. Hopkins of Jersey City bought the property on October 15, 1872 and he lived there until his death in 1890. His family sold the property in 1896. Jin Fuey Moy, a Chinese doctor, owned the property from 1901 to 1905, when he sold it to J. Boyce Smith who greatly enlarged the house and added the porches and portcochere.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 509, Lot 14 - Woodcliff Lake Tax Map

1.72 acres

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