**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY**
**BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

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| Town No.: | Site No.: |
| UTM 18 672880 4607370 | |
| QUAD: | |
| DISTRICT ☐ S ☐ NR | IF NR, SPECIFY ☐ Actual ☐ Potential |

## IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic): Valentine Wightman House

2. TOWN/CITY: Southington | VILLAGE: Southington, CT 06489 | COUNTY: Hartford

3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location): 1112 Mount Vernon Road. (map 103, parcel 1) 3 acres

4. OWNER(S): Rabis, Caroline, estate of, et al (vol.307,p.558) ☐ Public ☒ Private

5. USE (Present): Residential | (Historic): Residential

6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD ☒ Yes ☐ No | INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE ☐ Yes ☒ No | IF YES, EXPLAIN: N.A.

## DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Colonial | DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1800 A

8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)
☒ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☐ Brick ☐ Other (Specify) ____
☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding ☐ Fieldstone
☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☐ Cobblestone
☐ Aluminum Siding ☐ Concrete Type: ____ ☐ Cut stone Type: ____

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM
☒ Wood frame ☒ Post and beam ☐ balloon
☐ Load bearing masonry ☐ Structural iron or steel
☐ Other (Specify) ____

10. ROOF (Type)
☒ Gable ☐ Flat ☐ Mansard ☐ Monitor ☐ sawtooth
☐ Gambrel ☐ Shed ☐ Hip ☐ Round ☐ Other (Specify) ____

(Material)
☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Roll Asphalt ☐ Tin ☐ Slate
☒ Asphalt shingle ☐ Built up ☐ Tile ☐ Other (Specify) ____

11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 | APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 36 x 29'

12. CONDITION (Structural) ☐ Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated | (Exterior) ☐ Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated

13. INTEGRITY (Location) ☒ On original site ☐ Moved | WHEN? N.A. | (Alterations) ☒ Yes ☐ No | IF YES, EXPLAIN: Windows, front door, chimney

14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES
☒ Barn S-2 ☒ Sheds S-8 ☒ Garage ☐ Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)
☐ Carriage house ☐ Shop ☐ Garden

15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT
☐ Open land ☐ Wood-land ☒ Residential ☐ Scattered buildings visible from site
☐ Commercial ☐ Indus-trial ☒ Rural ☐ High building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

The house faces east on a rise above the level of the road. With the surrounding sheds, it is in a farm setting.

(OVER)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

In the 5-bay front elevation, windows are spaced in a 2-1-2 rhythm. The central front door has narrow side lights but the doorway does not appear to be original. Windows are 1/1 on the first floor and 2/2 on the second. The third floor overhangs the second by an inch or two on the end elevations. The central brick chimney looks as though it is built of 20th-century brick. The WPA form reports that windows at that time were 2/2 at the first floor, 12/8 at the second floor. The interior was said to have three fireplaces on the first floor and old paneling.

SIGNIFICANCE

18. ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

The house is significant architecturally because it is a good example of a colonial farm house. Its outbuildings may date from the 19th century, continuing the historic farm setting.

The house is significant historically for its association with the Wightman family. Valentine Wightman (1762-1817) was the son of Rev. John Wightman. See 1024 Mt. Vernon Road.

SOURCES


WPA Census of Old Buildings in Connecticut, nd.

Timlow, H. R., Sketches of Southington, Conn., Hartford, Case, Lockwood & Brainard, 1875, 1976 reprint, p. ccliv.


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20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

- [x] None known
- [ ] Highways
- [ ] Vandalism
- [ ] Developers
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Renewal
- [ ] Private
- [ ] Deterioration
- [ ] Zoning
- [ ] Explanation