

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	141-E

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

Roll 2

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

1. Town Worcester  
 Address 768 Main Street  
 Name Moody Shattuck House  
 Present use Administrative offices  
 Present owner Worcester Junior College  
Central New England  
College of Technology  
 3. Description: 772 Main Street  
 Date 1885  
 Source building notice  
 Style Queen Anne  
 Architect Fuller & Delano  
 Exterior wall fabric brick  
 Outbuildings (describe) none  
 Other features terra cotta and moulded  
brick decoration, pilastered  
chimneys, porch with turned  
brackets  
 Altered not Date \_\_\_\_\_  
significantly  
 Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size: Assessors' Book 6, p. 17C  
Lot 15 14,526 sq.ft.  
 One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage 100'  
 Approximate distance of building from street  
25'

6. Recorded by B.R. Pfeiffer  
 Organization Worc. Heritage Pres. Soc.  
 Date November 1977

UTM  
19/268150/4681920

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Moody Edson Shattuck  
 Original use residence  
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates administrative offices (present)

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>x</u>				

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

The Moody Shattuck House is an exceptional local example of Queen Anne architecture. Designed by the prominent Worcester firm of Fuller and Delano, the Shattuck House displays unusual familiarity with English Queen Anne design, unlike other local houses of this period which tend to be less informed interpretations of the style executed in shingle-covered frame construction. The Shattuck House's two-and-one-half storey asymmetrical facade contains especially fine details in its moulded brick, sandstone quoining, broken scroll pediment (2d storey), pilastered window surround (gable), decorative terracotta panel with a shield inscribed "S" (gable), and dormer with its high gable. Decoration continues around to the building's side walls with pilastered chimneys, dormers with high gables and decorative paneling on exterior chimneys (south wall). At the facade the house has a one-storey wooden porch supported by paired columns; access to the porch is gained through an entry bay surmounted by a low pediment with plaster foliate decoration. Except for the demolition of an original carriage house at its southwest corner, the Shattuck House is unaltered.

The Shattuck House was built at a cost of \$12,000 in 1885 for Moody Shattuck (1835-1892), a cigar manufacturer. A native of Vermont, Shattuck came to Worcester in 1858 and bought a small cigar business soon after his arrival. In 1860 Shattuck moved his business to the Walker Building, from which it was moved to Clark's Block in 1880. In 1886 Shattuck took John H. Dally and J.A. Clemence as partners in the firm, which was incorporated as M.E. Shattuck Cigar and Tobacco Company (cont.)

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

Sanitary Engineer, vol. XI, Jan. 22, 1885, p. 177 (building notice)

Rice, F.P. Worcester of 1898, pp. 745-746 (illustration)

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Worcester	Form No: 141-E
Property Name: Moody Shattuck House	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

9.  
in 1888, reputedly the largest business of its type in New England. After Shattuck's death his widow continued to live at #768 Main Street, which was described in a biographical sketch of Shattuck as a "large and fine brick mansion... one of the most elegant residences in that (Main Street South) neighborhood." Although no longer used as a residence, the Shattuck House retains the appearance of a single-family house and is among the best examples of the free-standing Victorian houses which were built along Main Street South by Worcester industrialists during the last half of the nineteenth century.

Staple to Inventory form at bottom

Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

**TECHNICAL**

**CONTROL**

Photos 383 + 13  
Maps 2, 63

**HISTORIAN**

Call/Accept  
Lightner  
10-30-79

Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description or 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). <sup>Owner</sup> opposition is high. Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets.

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

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. 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 1 bldg need to be discussed with Stella.

**OTHER**

ACCEPT  
AK/DO/gh  
2/28/80

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. ~~Both~~ <sup>Both</sup> 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. VBDs were not necessary because

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_  
Review \_\_\_\_\_

of the scale maps and clearly delineated boundaries. <sup>Reference</sup> was missing on some properties but ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> now included after the 2/11/corrections.

The only properties that I do not recommend listing are  
✓ 116-CBD-13 - destroyed by fire MD - 116 CBD-11  
130-CBD-44 - does not retain integrity for individual eligibility

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

✓ 102-L-3 I ~~do not~~ <sup>am</sup> not convinced about boundaries but believe they could be OK. ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> based on additional documentation submitted - I defer judgement.

Recommend listing all <sup>now</sup> properties ~~except~~ <sup>except</sup> these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~to discuss further~~ <sup>to discuss further</sup> w/NR staff + state. DOUBLE  
Return 102-L-3 to state for correction; 3/5/80  
HOLD 130-CBD-44 for info from state DOUBLE

**BRANCH CHIEF** 3/3/80

**KEEPER**

Staff conference 3/5/80 - agreed to action as noted below:  
Accept with exception of 116-CBD-11 (official notification of fire & demo from State), 102-L-3 (returning to state for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (holding from state)

Soldha  
3/5/80

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_ Send-back \_\_\_\_\_ Entered MAR 5 1980  
Federal Register Entry 2.3.81 Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_ SEE 3/3/80 REPORT



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141 - E <sup>30</sup> AUG 1979  
Shattuck, Moody House  
768 Main St.  
Worcester, MA, MA  
South + east  
elevations

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000304