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**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Willard-Fisk House

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 123 Whitney Street N/A not for publication

city or town ~~Jefferson~~ Holden N/A vicinity

state Massachusetts code MA county Worcester code 027 zip code 01522

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Judith B. McDonough
Signature of certifying official/Title Judith B. McDonough, Executive Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission, State Preservation Officer

1/17/96
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional Comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper

Edson H. Beall

Date of Action

2/23/96

Entered in the
National Register

Willard-Fisk House
Name of Property

Worcester County, MA
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
3	2	buildings
		sites
1		structures
		objects
4	2	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling
AGRICULTURE: agricultural outbuildings, animal facility

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Georgian

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation granite
walls brick
wood
roof asphalt
other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

(see attached)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

Late 18th c. - 1945

Significant Dates

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Massachusetts Historical Commission

Willard-Fisk House
Name of Property

Worcester County, MA
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 5.25 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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 See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Massachusetts Historical Commission date November 1995

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Judith Haran

street & number 123 Whitney Street telephone

city or town Jefferson state MA zip code 01522

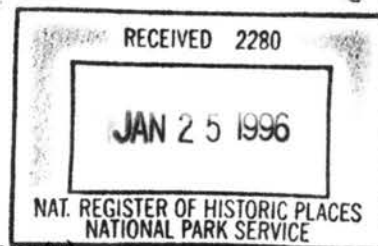
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7. DESCRIPTION

The Willard-Fisk Farm consists of five buildings and one structure, of which four are contributing to the architectural and historical significance of the property. The late 18th century 2 1/2 story, five bay brick building with clapboarded ell is the focal point of the complex. Other buildings include a 2 1/2 story vertical board barn thought to date to the 19th century and altered for use as a chicken coop c. 1940, a large 20th century chicken house, a small 20th century wooden shed and a wooden wellhouse reconstructed in 1994. A series of dry stonewalls are located throughout the property. All buildings and structures retain architectural and historical integrity and are consistent with the evolutionary architecture demonstrated by the dwelling.

Facing west and resting on a granite foundation, the main house of the complex is a 2 1/2 story structure which, with the exception of the clapboarded rear elevation, is constructed of brick, formerly painted white, laid in an American bond alternating six rows of stretchers to a single row of header brick. The gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles and is punctuated by two interior brick chimneys with corbel caps. Centered on the five bay facade, the entrance contains a glass and panel door with a plain enframing which is recessed slightly and a five light transom. Windows on the first floor contain doublehung twelve-over-twelve sash with modern replacement sash of the same configuration on the second floor, replacing what were until recently two-over-two Victorian era replacements. The gable ends are a single bay deep with twelve-over-twelve windows located toward the front and a six-over-six sash lighting the attic. The flush ends display shallow cornice returns with a cyma reversa molding profile. On the facade two courses of brick separate the tops of the second floor windows from the slightly projecting frieze.

Centered behind the main house is a 2 1/2 story ell resting on a mortared stone and fieldstone foundation. The side walls are clapboarded while the rear elevation is sheathed in vertical board siding. Windows on the ell include primarily two-over-two sash with several six-over-nine windows toward the rear. A glass and panel door is located on the west side while to the rear is an angled single bay which has been infilled with a door opening and screens. A brick chimney rises from the north roof slope while a single story addition fronts the north elevation of the ell.

Interior Description

The single pile, double chimney main house displays a center hall plan. The main entrance hall has a simple open string staircase decorated by simple brackets, simple stick balusters and a square newel post with cap. Simple wainscotting with a baseboard and top molding lines the walls throughout the front rooms excepting the upstairs south room. Other details include boxed cornerposts, exposed beams in the northwest chamber and thin, six recessed panel doors set in architrave moldings. The most elaborate mantel is that in the front (southwest) parlor. The Federal mantel displays a rectangular opening with colonettes, frieze, bed moldings, projecting end blocks, a projecting but unadorned central tablet and a mantel shelf. A mantel with a rectangular opening and architrave

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molding is found in the other first floor room while simpler mantels are located upstairs. Behind the main block, in the ell are a small "birthing" room and the original kitchen retaining a cooking fireplace with beehive oven, in a somewhat deteriorated condition. Twentieth century alterations upstairs include a bathroom and kitchen.

Description of Outbuildings and Landscape

To the southeast of the house is a large two story clapboarded structure resting on a concrete foundation and constructed as a chicken coop in 1948. The building is capped by an asphalt, gable roof and is oriented with its gable end facing west. The long side elevations are punctuated by four, three light windows on each floor. The gable end displays close eaves with double doors and a single door on the first floor and three multi-pane windows above.

To the northeast of the former chicken coop is a two story vertical board barn, also oriented with its gable end to the street. The barn rests on a concrete foundation and is punctuated by two four- by- four windows on each floor of the gablefront with a single one-over-one window in the attic. The side elevations are lit by window strips consisting of three sets of four-by-three windows. The barn appears to date to the 19th century and was retrofitted for use as a chicken house in the 1940s by John Ford.

A small wooden shed constructed of plywood and asphalt siding is located to the northeast of the house. The Ford constructed the building in the early 1940s for use as a brooder house. It is capped by a shed roof with exposed rafters. To the south of the house is a wooden wellhouse capped by a gable roof which was reconstructed with new materials in 1994.

The property is located in the rural northwestern part of Holden, between the village of Jefferson and the Rutland town line. The 5.25 acre lot surrounding the house can be described as predominantly open field surrounding the house with woodlot beyond. The original tract of land was in excess of 69 acres until 1953 when the bulk of the property was taken by the City of Worcester. A dirt driveway extends to the south of the house, leading to the barn at the rear. The south edge of the drive is bordered by a dry stone wall and large substantial oak trees. A line of maple trees runs along the streetline while pine, oak and maple trees radiate in a northwest line from the northwest corner of the house. Several old apple trees are located to the northeast of the house, in the vicinity of the former brooder house. An open field extends to the south of the driveway and stonewall.

Archaeological Description

Although no prehistoric sites are currently recorded on the Willard-Fisk Farm property, sites may be present. At least two sites are recorded in the general area (within one mile), both of which lie around the periphery of flooded wetlands at the Quinapoxet Reservoir and Maple Spring pond. These sites represent a low to moderate density of underreported prehistoric sites within the Nashua River

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drainage, part of the Merrimack River system. The physical characteristics of the property including well drained, level to moderately sloping land surfaces within 1,000 feet of wetlands indicate favorable locational criteria for Native American subsistence and settlement activities. Given the above information and the size of the property (4.2 acres), a moderate potential exists that significant sites are present.

There is a high potential for the recovery of significant historic archaeological remains on the property. Subsurface features relating to the original construction of the house may survive in the immediate area around the house. Structural remains may also survive from agricultural and domestic related outbuildings in the area surrounding the house.

Outbuildings on the property presently include a barn dating to the 19th century and a 20th century chicken house and shed. Archaeological evidence of an earlier barn and outbuilding should also survive probably dating to the 18th century. Occupational related features (trash pits, privies, wells) dating to the 18th through 20th centuries also likely survive on the farm property. Domestic related trash deposits should exist around the house with more exclusively agricultural or animal related trash areas around outbuildings or peripheral areas around the farm complex. Privies are presently unknown on the property but should also survive in the area of the main house. The location of a well covered with a new well house is known, however it is not known whether or not it dates to the original 18th century house construction. A series of late 18th and 19th century dry-laid stone walls are also located throughout the property.

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8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Willard-Fisk House is a well preserved example of an eighteenth century dwelling, significant as one of the best extant examples of early brick domestic architecture in the town of Holden. The property retains architectural and historical integrity and is significant for the period beginning in the late 18th century when the first part of the dwelling was constructed to 1945, marking the end of the National Register fifty year cut-off. The property retains integrity of location, setting, design, association, materials, workmanship and feeling. The Willard-Fisk House meets Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places and is significant at the local level.

The Willard-Fisk House, along with the nearby Brown-Davis-Frost Farm at 17 Whitney Street, are the largest and most substantial surviving examples of early domestic architecture in Holden. Although the general form of these two-and-a-half story, five-bay, center entry brick houses can be called Georgian, both are lacking any of the Classical ornamentation that distinguishes it. Both houses are notable for their use of brick which was rare in the Colonial period in Central Massachusetts and their interior end chimneys appear to be early examples of double chimneys in Central Massachusetts. The two

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structures are the earliest known brick structures in Holden. Later brick structures, constructed during the Federal period when brick became more common, include the Lemuel Davis House (1797) at 1204 Main Street, a multi-family house at 184 High Street (c.1820) and several altered structures including the John Jefferson House (c.1800) at 1242-44 Main Street and the Drury House (1828-1832) on Brattle Street. The section of Holden which had the largest concentration of brick buildings during the early 19th century was High Street in Jefferson, known as "Brick City" during the time due to the number of brick buildings found there including a single family house, a multi-family house and a school.

In 1772 Rev. Mr. Daniel Rogers of Littleton sold one hundred and five acres of land to Daniel Willard. Willard died five years later and his wife, Elizabeth, a tailor sold the property to David Fisk. A prominent local citizen, David Fisk was a deacon at the Congregational Church in 1762. In 1775, on the sound of the Lexington alarm, he marched from Holden to Cambridge in the Major Paul Raymond Company of Militia. During the Revolution he served in the Continental Army. He held a number of town offices including that of selectman (1761-2; 1769-71; 1777) and Town Clerk (1783-1786). He married Ruth and children included Ruth (b. 1754), David (b.1761), Samuel (b.1764) and Lemuel (1767-1852). David Fisk married Elizabeth Chickering in 1775.

In 1792 David Fisk sold the property to his son, Lemuel, for 120 pounds. In 1800 Lemuel married Eunice Rice of Northborough and subsequently had ten children here. In 1850 Lemuel Fisk gave his son John (b.1803), an undivided half interest in about 177 acres of land on both sides of two town ways. [It is notable that the boundaries in the deed mention the "land sold by the grantor (Lemuel Fisk) to Ethan Davis Esquire and since known as the Dana Frost Land".] Lemuel Fisk conveyed the land with the understanding that John would agree to farm the land during the natural life of his father (Book 460, Page 315-7). The 1850 Agricultural Census indicates that in that year Lemuel and John Fisk each owned 63 improved acres and 25 unimproved acres, for a total of 176 acres, valued at \$2,400. Shortly after conveying the second half of the property to his son John, Lemuel Fisk died in 1852 at the age of 85 years.

The property passed from the Fisk family when third generation member, John Fisk, sold to Boylston Vinton in 1852 for \$2,000 (Book 491, Page 576). Three years later, Vinton sold the property, "known as the Lemuel Fisk farm" and consisting of about 70 acres to John Davis for \$2,000 (Book 546, Page 233).

According to the Agricultural Census of 1860, John Davis' farm consisted of 116 acres and was valued at \$2,000.

In 1864 John and Lucy Davis sold the property containing 69 acres and 27 rods to Jerry Fitzpatrick for \$1,400. The 1880 Agricultural Census indicates that in that year Jerry Fitzpatrick owned 15 acres of improved land, 45 acres of pasture and 10 acres of woodland valued at \$2,000. A modest agricultural operation is depicted by the Census including four milk cows producing 150 pounds of

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butter in 1880, 14 chickens and varied crops.

The Fitzpatrick family continued to own the property for sixty-five years until Julia Fitzpatrick Partlow sold the property in 1929.

The Ford family has owned the property since 1943. Local tax valuations indicate that the family was actively involved in poultry farming beginning in the 1940s. From just 80 fowl in 1945, the holdings had increased to 1180 fowl in 1948, when a poultry house was constructed. By 1950 the farm was no longer engaged in large scale poultry farming. The lot which had remained the same size - 69 acres and 27 rods - since the 1850s, was reduced to 5.22 acres in 1953 when the City of Worcester took 66.57 acres for reservoir purposes.

Archaeological Significance

Since patterns of prehistoric occupation in Holden are poorly understood, any surviving sites would be significant. Prehistoric sites in this area can help towards a greater understanding of Native American settlement and subsistence throughout the Central Massachusetts uplands and Worcester Plateau in general with an emphasis on settlement pattern site relationships within the Quinapoxet/Nashua River drainage and overall Merrimack River system. Prehistoric sites this area can help test the importance of river drainage systems to Native settlement and subsistence models. The Willard-Fisk Farm lies near the southern extent of the Nashua River (Merrimack River) drainage with the Blackstone River drainage located in neighboring towns to the south and the Chicopee River drainage (Connecticut River) to the west. Prehistoric sites in this area may contain data which enable a study of the extent to which these drainages influenced the social, cultural and economic systems of people who lived in the area.

Historic archaeological remains described above have the potential to further document 18th through 20th century landuse on the farm as well as provide detailed information on the social, cultural, and economic characteristics which typified life in a rural Central Massachusetts agricultural community. Archaeological features in the area immediately surrounding the house may provide insights into techniques of brick construction which was rare during the Colonial period in Western Massachusetts. Archaeological survey and testing can also help identify the locations of earlier outbuildings on the property which would help reconstruct the lay-out of the farm during its earlier period of use. These remains combined with the detailed analysis of occupational related features can help identify changes in the agricultural use of the property and the lives of the farm's inhabitants. Occupational related features can be used to determine the extent to which the farm's inhabitants typified agricultural life in a rural Central Massachusetts community. Stone walls present on the property may provide clues to earlier divisions of land and agricultural use of the property.

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INTERVIEW

John Ford, June 1994.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property occupies Map #57, Lots 2.1 and Lot 8, in the local assessors' records (see enclosed copy of map).

The boundaries for the purposes of the National Register nomination encompass a 5.25 acre houselot defined by stonewalls surrounding the house on the east side of Whitney Street, just north of the intersection.

Referring to Assessor's Plat #57, Lot 8 and Lot 2.1, the boundaries begin.

Boundary Justification

The boundary of the nominated property is drawn to include that acreage which survives from the original parcel and which is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The nomination does not include acreage which was originally part of the property but which has been subdivided to other parties over the years.

From the 1850s until the late 20th century, the property contained 69 acres and 27 rods. In recent years the acreage of the property has been lessened by further subdivision.

The property presently includes 5.25 acres and does not resemble its early configuration. Initially 69 acres, the property reached a maximum of 176 acres under the ownership of Lemuel Fisk. From the 1850s until the late 20th century, the property contained 69 acres and 27 rods. In recent years the acreage of the property has been lessened by further subdivision. The significance of the house is not dependent upon agricultural history and thus, the acreage does not contribute to an understanding of the development of the property.

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**WILLARD-FISK FARM
HOLDEN, MASS.
DISTRICT DATA SHEET**

Resource	Construction Date	Contrib. (C) or Non contrib. (NC)
Main House	late 18th century	C
Barn	19th century (altered c.1940)	C
Chicken House	1948	NC
Shed (Brooder House)	c.1940	C
Wellhouse	reconstructed 1994	NC
Stone walls	late 18th-19th c.	C



Willard - Fisk House

23 Whitney St.

Holden (Jefferson), Mass, (Worcester County)

Photographer: Lisa Mausolf

Date: June 1994

Negative: Holden Hist. Commission

Description: Barn looking northeast
at west + south elevations



illard-Fisk House

3 Whitney St.

Holden (Jefferson), Mass.

(Worcester County)

Photographer: Lisa Mausolf

Date: June 1994

Negative: Holden Hist. Commission

Description: Facade (west) + south elevation
looking northeast



Willard-Fisk House
123 Whitney St.
Jefferson (Holden), Mass. (Worcester County)
Photographer: L. Mausolf
June 1994
Neg: Holden Hist Comm.
Desc: Shed looking NW



Willard-Fisk House

123 Whitney St.

Holden (Jefferson), Mass. (Worcester County)

Photographer: L. Mausolf

June 1994

Neg: Holden Hist Comm

Desc: Orig. barn + chicken coop
looking NE

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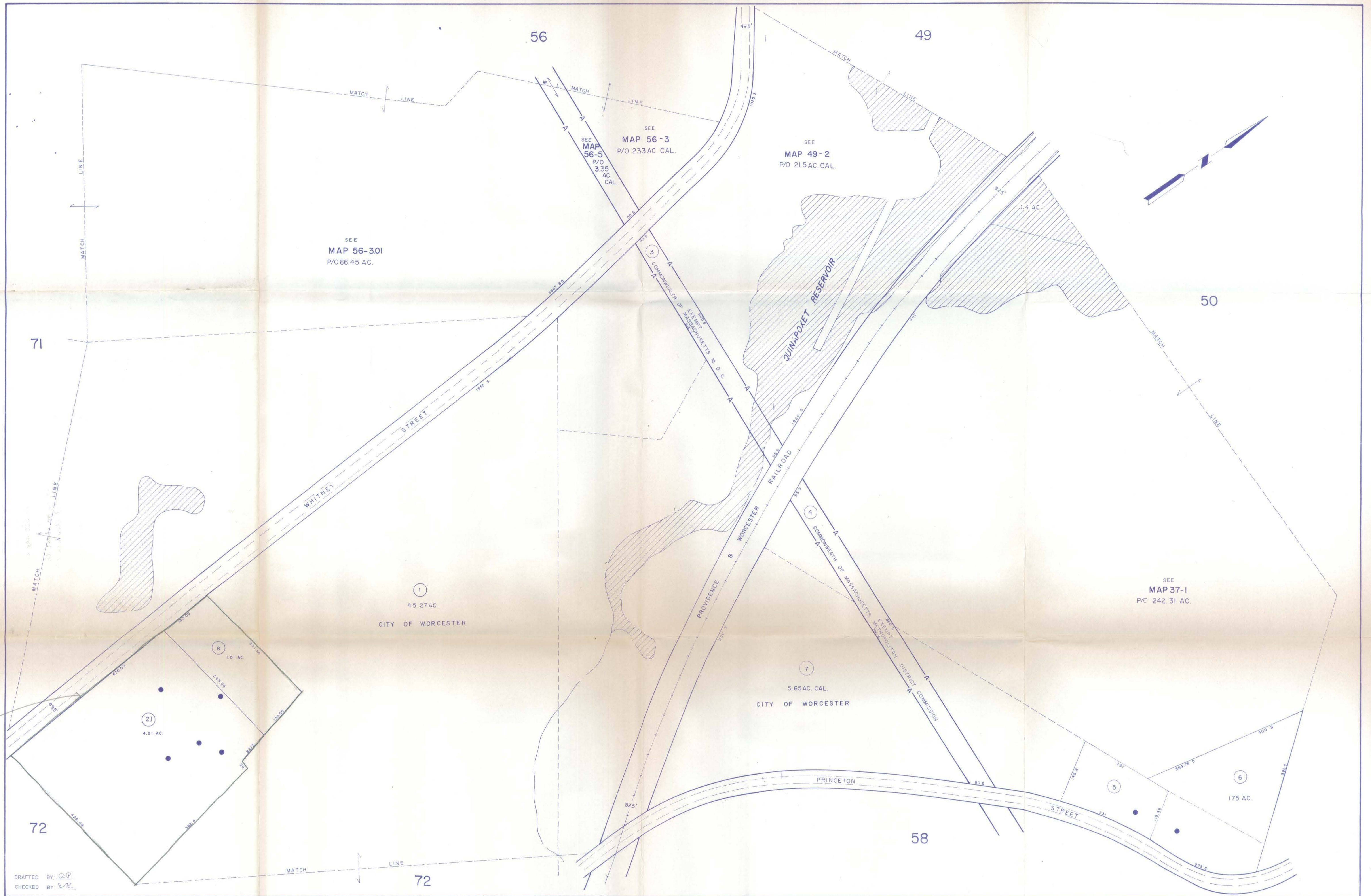
Willard - Fisk House
123 Whitney St
Jefferson (Holden), Mass
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June 1994
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Disc: Front hall
looking west

(Worcester County)



Willard-Fisk House
123 Whitney St
Jefferson (Holden), Mass (Worcester County)
Photographer: Lisa Mausolf
June 1994
Neg: Holden Hist Conin.
Desc: SW First Floor Front Room
looking SE

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Willard-Fisk House
123 Whitney St.
Jefferson, Mass.
Worcester County

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Legend	
Property line	Deed lot number
Original lot line	Parcel number (in circle)
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Town line	Calculated area
Aqueduct line	
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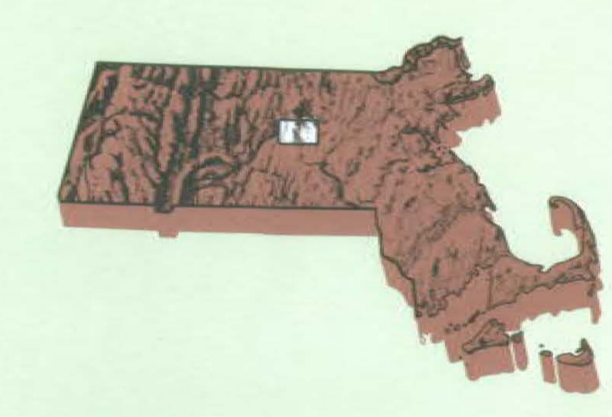
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Office of Assessor
MASSACHUSETTS

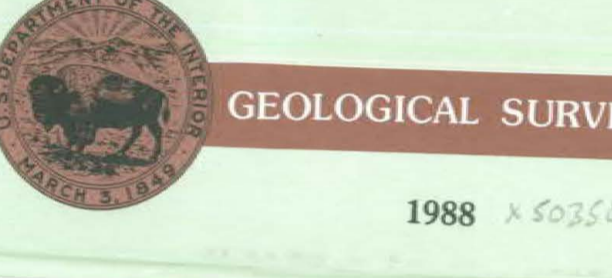
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Sterling
MASSACHUSETTS
 1:25 000-scale metric
 topographic map



- 7.5 X 15 MINUTE QUADRANGLE SHOWING**
- Contours and elevations in meters
 - Highways, roads and other manmade structures
 - Water features
 - Woodland areas
 - Geographic names



Produced by the United States Geological Survey in cooperation with Massachusetts Department of Public Works
 Control by USGS, NOS/NOAA, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts agencies
 Compiled by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken 1960. Field checked 1983. Map edited 1988
 Supersedes Sterling 1968 and Wachusett Mtn. 1972 1:25,000-scale maps
 Projection and 1000-meter grid, zone 19
 Universal Transverse Mercator
 10,000-foot grid ticks based on Massachusetts coordinate system, mainland zone
 1927 North American Datum
 To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983, move the projection lines 6 meters south and 40 meters west as shown by dashed corner ticks
 There may be private inholdings within the boundaries of the National or State reservations shown on this map
 Dashed light-blue pattern indicates area subject to controlled inundation by Barre Falls Dam

CONTOUR INTERVAL 3 METERS
 NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929
 CONTROL ELEVATION SHOWN TO THE NEAREST 61 METER
 OTHER ELEVATIONS SHOWN TO THE NEAREST 63 METER

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS

CONVERSION TABLE		DECLINATION DIAGRAM		ADJOINING MAPS		
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4	13.1234					
5	16.4042					
6	19.6850					
7	22.9659					
8	26.2467					
9	29.5276					
10	32.8084					

To convert meters to feet multiply by 3.2808
 To convert feet to meters multiply by 0.3048

UTM grid convergence (IGN and 1983 magnetic declination) at center of map
 Diagram is approximate

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9
10	11	12

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Topographic Map Symbols

- Primary highway, hard surface
- Secondary highway, hard surface
- Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
- Unimproved road, trail
- Route marker: Interstate, U. S. State
- Railroad: standard gauge; narrow gauge
- Bridge: drawbridge
- Footbridge; overpass; underpass
- Built-up area: only selected landmark buildings shown
- House; barn; church; school; large structure
- Boundary
- National, with monument
- State
- County, parish
- City, town, village, town
- Incorporated city, village, town
- National or State reservation; small park
- Land grant with monument; found section corner
- U. S. public lands survey; range, township; section
- Range, township, section: location approximate
- Fence or field line
- Power transmission line, located tower
- Dam; dam with lock
- Cemetery; grave
- Campground; picnic area; U. S. location monument
- Windmill; water well; spring
- Mine shaft; prospect; adit or cave
- Control: horizontal section: vertical section approximate
- Contours: index; intermediate; supplementary; depression
- Disturbed surface: strip mine, lava; sand
- Bathymetry contours: index; intermediate
- Perennial lake and stream; intermittent lake and stream
- Rapids, large and small; falls, large and small
- Swamp; marsh
- Submerged marsh; land subject to controlled inundation
- Woodland; scattered trees
- Scrub; mangrove
- Orchard; vineyard

National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 1996

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Willard-Fisk House

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 123 Whitney Street N/A not for publication

city or town Holden N/A vicinity

state Massachusetts code MA county Worcester code 027 zip code 01522

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Judith B. McDonough

4/2/96

Signature of certifying official/Title Judith B. McDonough, Executive Director Date

Massachusetts Historical Commission, State Preservation Officer

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional Comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
 - See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register
 - See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- Other (explain):

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Edson R. Beall

4-19-96

Additional Documentation Accepted

Willard-Fisk House
Name of Property

Worcester County, MA
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
3	2	buildings
		sites
1		structures
		objects
4	2	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

AGRICULTURE: agricultural outbuildings, animal facility

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

Georgian

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation granite

walls brick

wood

roof asphalt

other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

(see attached)

National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2014



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission

September 10, 2013

J. Paul Loether
National Park Service 2280, 8th Floor
National Register of Historic Places
1201 I (eye) Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Loether:

Re: Address changes for properties listed on the NRHP

As we digitize our inventory of historic resources, we are discovering discrepancies in property addresses due to renumbering, changing the address to a side street that abuts the parcel, or assigning a precise address where none had existed. In some cases, property owners have notified us of an incorrect address. We are, therefore, writing to request technical corrections in the National Register records for the following:

Chelsea (Suffolk County)

- Chelsea Garden Cemetery (NRIND 2/9/2001)—new address is 70 Central Avenue (formerly Shawmut Street) 01000089

Cheshire (Berkshire County)

- Hall's Tavern (NRIND 3/10/1983)—new address is 31 North Street (formerly North Street) 83000568

Cohasset (Norfolk County)

- Pratt Historic Building (NRIND 9/7/2006)—new address is 106-110 South Main Street (formerly 106 South Main Street) 06000816

Concord (Middlesex County)

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo House (NRIND/NHL 10/15/1966; NRDIS 9/13/1977)—new address is 18 Cambridge Turnpike (formerly 28 Cambridge Turnpike near intersection of Lexington Road) 66000365 NHL
- Sleepy Hollow Cemetery (NRIND 8/19/1998)—new address is 34A Bedford Street (formerly 24 Court Lane) 98000991

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www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc

Dennis (Barnstable County)

- West Schoolhouse (NRIND 4/24/1975)—new address is 61 Whig Street (formerly Nobscusset Road) **75000262**
- Dennis, Josiah Manse (NRIND 2/15/1974)— new address is 61 Whig Street (formerly Nobscusset Road and Whig Street) West Schoolhouse and Josaih Dennis Manse, which stand adjacent to each other, have the same address. **74000360**

Easton (Bristol County)

- North Easton Railroad Station/Old Colony Railroad Station (NRIND 4/11/72; NRDIS 11/3/1972 and 12/23/1987; NHL 12/23/1987)—new address is 80 Mechanic Street (formerly Oliver Street or off Oliver St along railroad right of way) **72000125**

Holden (Worcester County)

- Willard-Fisk Farm (NRIND 2/23/1996)— new address is 121 Whitney Street (formerly 123 Whitney Street) **96000163**

Wilmington (Middlesex County)

- West Schoolhouse (NRIND 2/23/1990)— new address is 141 Shawsheen Avenue (formerly Shawsheen Avenue at Aldrich Road) **90000144**

Winthrop (Suffolk County)

- Newton, Edward B. School (NRIND 8/21/1997)— new address is 131 Pauline Street (formerly 45 Pauline Street) **97000878**
- Winthrop, Deane House (NRIND/TRA, First Period Buildings of Eastern MA, 3/9/1990)—new address is 34 Shirley Street (formerly 40 Shirley Street) **90000162**

Woburn (Middlesex County)

- U. S. Post Office-Woburn Center Station (NRIND 10/19/1987)—new address is 1 Abbott Street (formerly 2 Abbott Street) **86003436**

Sincerely,

Betsy Friedberg

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Willard--Fisk House
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 11/19/13 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 1/05/14
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 96000163

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 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Approved

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept

REVIEWER Edson Beall

DISCIPLINE History

TELEPHONE _____

DATE 1.3.14

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

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

National Register of Historic Places
Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Willard--Fisk House
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 1/25/96 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/06/96
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/22/96 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/96
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 96000163

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 2/23/96 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

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

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APR 27 1995

MASS. HIST. COMM.

Thomas W. Ford
PO Box 466
Gardner, MA 01440

April 17, 1995

BF
TA

Ms. Judith McDonough
Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Bolyston St.
Boston, MA 02116

RE: Nomination of the property know as the Willard-Fisk House, 126 Whitney St. Jefferson/Holden, Mass

Dear Ms. McDonough,

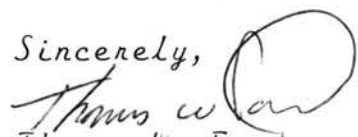
After reading the articles in recent issues of *The Holden Landmark*, please be advised that I request that the aforementioned property be removed from consideration for national listing at this time.

I am selling the property and have no wish to become involved in any problems as to what can or can't be done with the place. When my father, the previous owner, was first approached about this, we were led to believe that any listing of the property would not inhibit any activities or repairs to the property.

All the information that was sent to me about this matter will be given to whomever buys the property so that if they are interested, they can take action on it.

Thank you for your time and effort in this matter.

Sincerely,


Thomas W. Ford
Owner, 126 Whitney St.
Jefferson/Holden, MA

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Nov. 7, 1995

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MASS. HIST. COMM.

Dear Mr. Adams,

Ms. Cecacci of the Holden Historical Commission asked me to write to you. I am the new owner of the Willard-Fiske house at 123 Whitney St, Holden (also called Jefferson). I would like my house to be on the National Register.

Sincerely,

Judith Haran

HARAN

State of Massachusetts
County of Worcester
Cheryl A Jenkins
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
Jan 10, 1997



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission

January 17, 1996

Ms. Carol Shull
National Register of Historic Places
Department of the Interior
National Park Service
P. O. Box 37127
Washington, D. C. 20013-7127



Dear Ms. Shull,

Enclosed please find the following nomination form:

Willard-Fisk House, 123 Whitney Street, Holden (Worcester County),
Massachusetts 01522

The nomination has been voted eligible by the State Review Board and has been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. The owner was informed of State Review Board consideration 30 to 75 days before the meeting and was afforded the opportunity to comment; while he did not object at that time, he wrote to us shortly after the Review Board meeting that he did not wish the nomination to proceed while he was in the process of selling his property; I am enclosing his letter to that effect. Since the date of his letter, however, the property has changed hands, and the new owner has informed us, by way of notarized letter, that she supports the listing of the property on the National Register. Her letter is also enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betsy Friedberg".

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

cc: Susan Ceccacci, Chairperson, Holden Historical Commission
Robert V. Johnson, Chairperson, Holden Board of Selectmen
Judith Haran, 123 Whitney Street, Holden
Janet Baker, Head Librarian, Holden Public Library
Lisa Mausolf, Preservation Consultant

Enclosure



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission



March 26, 1996

Ms. Carol Shull
Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
P.O. Box 37127
Washington, DC 20013-7127

RE: Willard-Fisk House, 123 Whitney Street, Holden (Worcester County), Mass.

Dear Ms. Shull:

The above property, listed in the National Register on February 23, 1996, was incorrectly identified as being in Jefferson, Massachusetts. The correct town is Holden, in Worcester County. I enclose a corrected cover page to be added to the nomination.

If you have any questions, please give me a call. Thank you for your attention to this minor matter.

Sincerely,

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

cc: Holden Historical Commission

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Willard--Fisk House
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 4/05/96 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/20/96
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 96000163

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 4-19-96 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Accepted

RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

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