

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
HRS 1 & HRS 17

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No	Site No
UTM 1:86913204643040	
QUAD: Windsor Locks	
DISTRICT	IF NR SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

Item #329

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common)		Benomi Case House	
	2. TOWN CITY		VILLAGE	COUNTY
	Windsor		Rainbow	Hartford
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)			
	436 Rainbow Road map 13, block 138, lot 64; .70 acre			
	4. OWNER(S)			
	Vincent Oswecki 436 Rainbow Rd., Windsor CT 06095 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private			
DESCRIPTION	5. USE (In common)			
	1 family residential			
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC			
	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD		INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING			
	Greek Revival			
	8. MATERIALS (Indicate use of location when appropriate)			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding		<input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco		<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone		
<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone details		
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame <input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam		<input type="checkbox"/> Balloon		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry		<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Specify				
10. ROOF TYPE				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable <input type="checkbox"/> Flat <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor		<input type="checkbox"/> Sawtooth		
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Hip		<input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
Material:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Tin		<input type="checkbox"/> Slate		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Built up <input type="checkbox"/> Tile		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
11. NUMBER OF STORIES APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS				
2 + attic and basement		72' x 27'		
12. CONDITION OF EXTERIOR				
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated		
13. INTERIOR CONDITION				
<input type="checkbox"/> On original site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
14. RELATED OR ADJACENT BUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage		<input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house <input type="checkbox"/> Shop <input type="checkbox"/> Garden				
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open land <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential <input type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site		
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Rural		<input type="checkbox"/> High building density		
16. INTERPRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS				
Residences border the site on the east and west, wooded land lies to the north to Route 20 and open land exists across Rainbow Road to the South.				

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DESCRIPTION (Continued)	17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (Location and orientation)	
	2 story masonry dwelling, 5 bays wide by 4 bays deep, with pitched roof. House used to have paired chimneys on east and west sides. Only 2 remain however. The roof ends in a box cornice with complete return across the gable-end. Each gable has a rectilinear window with geometric tracery. Penetration is symmetrical. Each bay has 6 x 6 sash and a cut-stone block lintel and sill. The entry is centered on the east side and features a paneled door with side lights and transom. Over the entry is a large cut-stone lintel. Attached to the rear (north side) of the building is a 1 story masonry ell with garage addition.	
18. ARCHITECT	BUILDER	
	Benomi Case	
SIGNIFICANCE	19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE	
	436 Rainbow Road is one of the finest Greek Revival era dwellings in the Town. The house retains much of its original detail and is beautifully maintained. Note the simplicity of the form and materials, accented with elegant details such as the gable windows and entry with side lights. Compare with other Greek Revival dwellings down the street at 312, 362, and 371 Rainbow Road. This house was built by Benomi Case in 1834. It was later inherited by his son, Otis. Both were farmers. With Otis Case's death in 1870, the property was sold to Manley Snow and remained in the Snow family for nearly 100 years.	
SOURCES	Windsor Land Records, Vol. 58, pg. 25 Vol. 45, pg. 452 1869 Map U.S. Census Records: Windsor, 1880 Town of Windsor Assessor's Office	
	PHOTOGRAPHER	
PHOTO	Michael K. O'Leary	
	DATE	4/15/81
VIEW	South (front)	
	NEGATIVE ON FILE	CHC, Sheet #17
NAME	Preston Maynard	
	DATE	Spring, 1981
ORGANIZATION	Planning Consultant - Town of Windsor	
	ADDRESS	
275 Broad Street, Windsor, CT 06095		
20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS		
19th century shed; contributing		
21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None known <input type="checkbox"/> Highways <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism <input type="checkbox"/> Developers <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning <input type="checkbox"/> Expropriation	



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