

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL 184

HISTORIC NAME: Terhune-Hopper House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 349 West Saddle River Road
(Block 1111, Lot 4)

MUNICIPALITY: Upper Saddle River

OWNERSHIP: Public Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Dallas A. Taylor
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

- Erskine (1778-80)
- Hopkins-Corey (1861) J.E. Hopper
- Walker's Atlas (1876) J.E. Hopper
- Bronley (1912) H.T. Hopper
- Other

RECOGNITION:

- National Register BCHS Marker
- HABS Bailey
- Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 25° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:
Barn

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 Good
- Fair Deteriorated

STATUS:

- Occupied
- Unoccupied
- Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

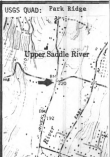
- Yes, Restricted
- Yes, Unrestricted
- No

The orientation of this house was changed from south to north when the road (Lake Street) was put in. Despite its stucco covering and exterior Victorianization and the addition of wings, the interior is quite intact, including two handsome carved mantels of the Federal period.

PHOTO



MAP



DESCRIPTION

CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

1781/Tradition
Later/Architectural evidence
(no house shown on 1783 R.T. map)

BUILDER:

probably a Terhune.

FORM/PLAN TYPE:

May have been "D" 4 bay, 2 rooms deep,
(35'7" x 35'5" deep), frame wing off
southwest corner (22'6" x 24'6")

FRAMING SYSTEM:

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

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:

Stucco all around over rubble and
broken stone.

FENESTRATION:

6/6, 12/8 on north.

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:

Was twin door but westernmost door
was made into a window. 2 lite transom.
7'9-1/2" casing. 34-1/2" x 6'6" door.

NUMBER OF STORIES: 1-1/2

- CELLAR: Yes
- No

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation (west)
- Other (fireplace on east side)

FLOOR JOISTS:

4-1/2" x 9", 24-27" between

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:

8'7"

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:

24"

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:

not visible

GARRET:

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

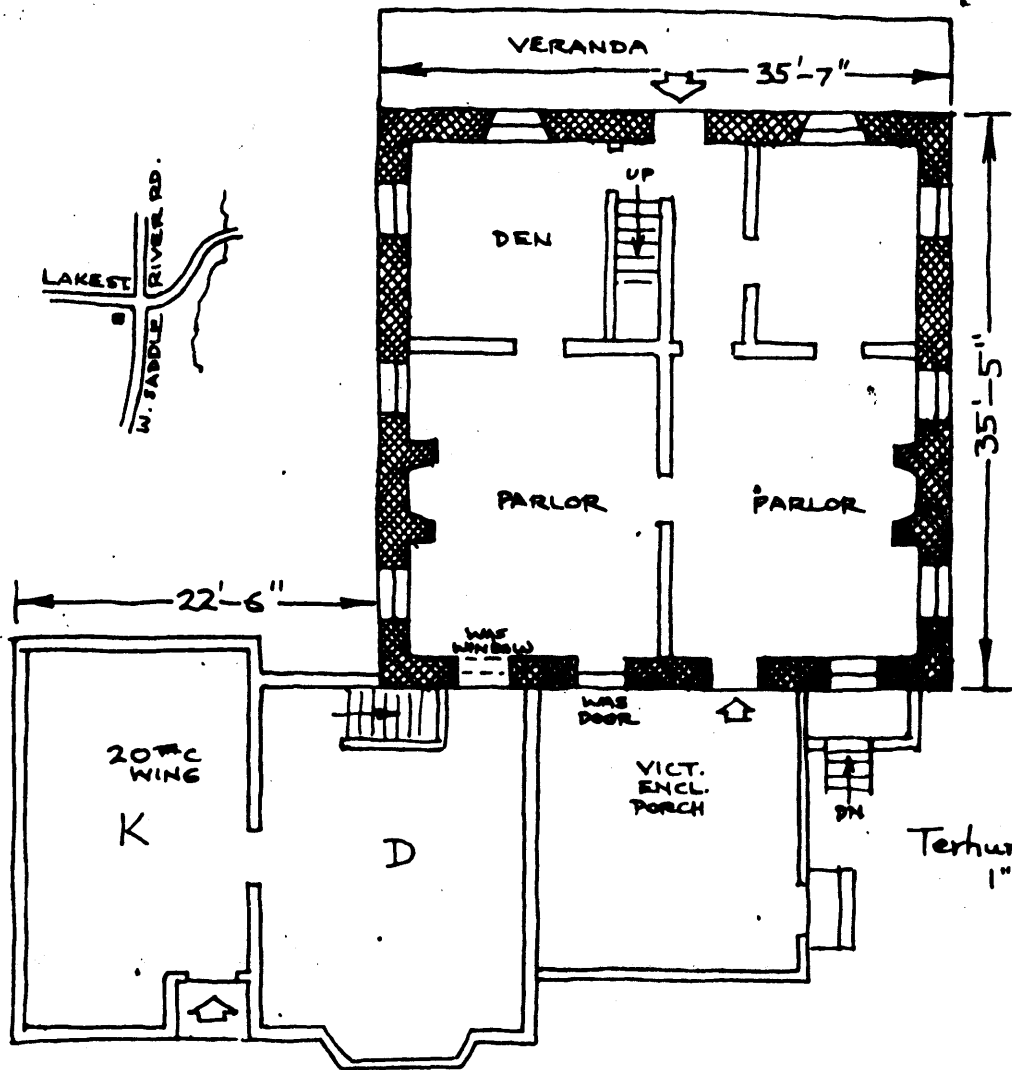
ROOF:

- Gable
- Gambrel
- 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.



Terhune-Hopper
1"=12'-0"
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Isaiah Valleau sold this 330 acre tract to Albert Terhune on October 27, 1746 but it is doubted that his early house exists in this one. A stone with the date "176_" (obliterated) is in the cellar of the next old house (c. 1820) to the north (which was a descendant's) and may be the datestone of the house referred to in Albert A. Terhune's will of 1795 as "my old dwelling house". Although no house is shown on the 1783 map, he mentioned three other "messuages and tenaments" in the will. He left the homestead to his wife Elizabeth and son John Albert, who was born in 1753, married Catharine and had Albert, Harmon, Stephen (died young) and Elizabeth. Albert, born 1781, inherited the homestead and then it went to his brother Harmon (who lived in the house with the 176_ datestone). He gave (?) it to his daughter Elizabeth, born 1824, and her husband, John Eckerson Hopper, who were married in 1846, the year Hopper is listed as owner. The Wood family bought it in 1915 (1913?) from the Holland Realty Company. Nephew Dallas Taylor inherited it.

(Source: Louise H. Burnett)

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 1111, Lot 4 - Upper Saddle River Tax Map

10.05 acres

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