

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

6300 MSB 20

GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Ackerman-Dater House

COMMON NAME: "Sampmill Farm"

LOCATION: 109 West Saddle River Road
(west side)

MUNICIPALITY: Saddle River

OWNERSHIP: Public Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Mrs. R.L. (Kathy) James
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

- Erskine (1778-80) No name
- Hopkins-Corey (1861) A. Dater
- Walker's Atlas (1876) Ab'm Dater
- Bromley (1912) A. Cairn
- Other

RECOGNITION:

- National Register BCHS Marker
- HABS Bailey
- Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 12° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

USE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

THREATS TO STRUCTURE:

- Roads
- Development
- Zoning
- Deterioration
- Other
- No Threat

COMMENTS:
Close to road.

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

CONDITION:

- Excellent Good
- Fair Deteriorated

STATUS:

- Occupied
- Unoccupied
- Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

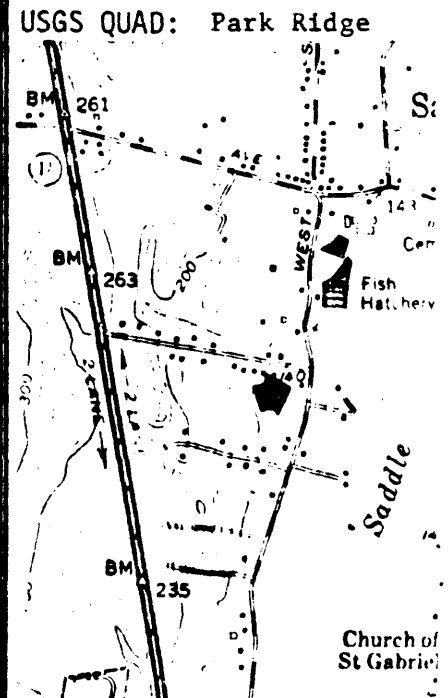
- Yes, Restricted
- Yes, Unrestricted
- No

This is a beautifully cared for and restored house. It was used in a television film on "Dutch Houses". There was once a hall arch, but it was removed when the stair in the hall was built. The fireplace in the wing was rebuilt with c. 1740 paneling. An interesting feature is the hearth support under the west end.

PHOTO



MAP



CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

1745/History,

Main: 1790-1800/Architectural evidence

BUILDER: Probably an Ackerman.

FORM/PLAN TYPE: Main "H" through side hall, rectangle (30'4" x 30'6"), w/ wing "B" built at same time (19'2" x 20'0").
Frame rear wing added in 1820's.

FRAMING SYSTEM:

- Intermediate Beam
 Intermediate Bearing Wall
 Clear Span
 Other

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:

Raised quoins w/ stucco on front and rear.
Well cut sandstone on east wing, w/ less care and rubble on west end.

FENESTRATION: 12/12

34½" x 65" on main front w/ Federal over mantels.

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE: was on south facade
Now on east porch, but rear is used.

NUMBER OF STORIES: 1-1/2

CELLAR: Yes
 No

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:

- Stone Arch
 Brick Arch, Stone Foundation (Wing)
 Other Corbeled cradle on west.

FLOOR JOISTS: Hewn 5" x 8" & 4" x 9" vert. sawn mixed, 26-31" between.

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT: 8'1"

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS: Approximately 20"

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS: Unknown.

GARRET:

- Unfinished Space
 Finished Space

ROOF:

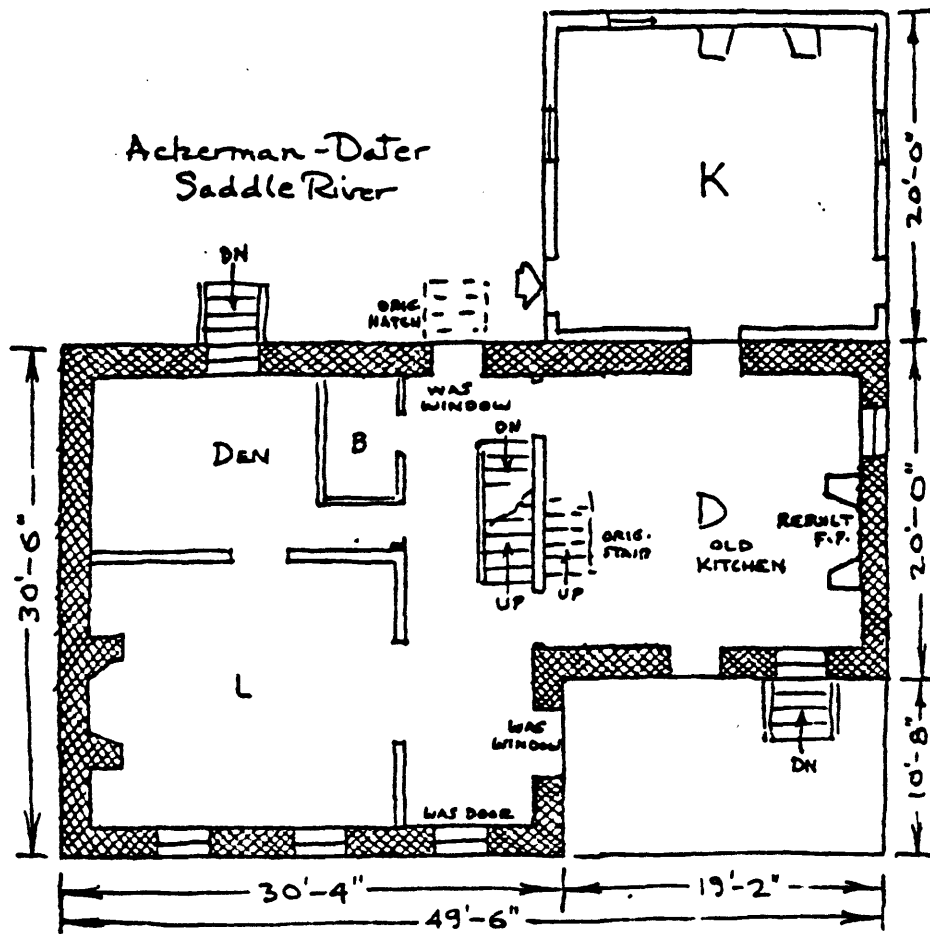
- Gable (Wing)
 Gambrel (Main, original)
 Curb
 Other

EAVE TREATMENT:

- Sweeping Overhang 18"±
 Supported Overhang
 No Overhang
 Boxed Gutter
 Other

This house is significant for its architecture and its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County, New Jersey area. It is a reasonably well preserved example of the Form/Plan Type as shown and more fully described herein. 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.

168 FLOOR PLANS



ADDITION:

In 1745 Johannes Ackerman purchased a 245 acre tract from proprietors of East Jersey. Johannes died^m1760. Across road was a samp^mmill (non-extant) which is believed to have been worked until 1893. Maria Ackerman married Abraham Dater and in 1861 and 1876, A. Dater is shown as house owner. Mill building believed to have been taken down by Calvin Bogert around 1920.

Source: Rosa Livingston and Hazel Lampe, Ackerman Houses, pp.120-124.

Owners of property include Johannes Ackerman (died 1760) and David J. Ackerman (died c. 1801-3). In 1800 sold to Isaac Sherwood. In July 1786 a grist mill was taxed. On April 24, 1801 Isaac and Ann Sherwood sold to Lewis Conklin (1771-1828). His heirs sold to Andrew Ackerman in 1847. Ackerman left property to daughter Maria, wife of Abraham Dater. Marie died in 1880 and left house and mill to her daughter Charity Ann Winter, wife of Garret G. Winter. House remained in family until 1926 when sold to J. Calvin Bogert.

Source: Howard Durie.