

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY  
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
**CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM	1:86728904607120
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR, SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)  
Rev. John Wightman House

2. TOWN/CITY VILLAGE COUNTY  
Southington Southington, CT 06489 Hartford

3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)  
1024 Mount Vernon Rd. (map 91, parcel 7) 3 acres

4. OWNER(S) (vol.200,p.59)  
Grant, Lee P. & Carol Ann, 9888 Ten Oak Rd., Dayton, MD  Public  Private

5. USE (Present) (Historic)  
Residential Residential

6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:  Yes  No EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD  Yes  No INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE  Yes  No IF YES, EXPLAIN N.A.

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING DATE OF CONSTRUCTION  
Colonial 1770 Owner

8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input 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 Type: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: _____	

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon
<input 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 38 x 28'

12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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13. INTEGRITY (Location) WHEN ? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	N.A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Rear addition, mantels removed
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14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES

<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input checked="" 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 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"/> Indus-trial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> High building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

The house faces east elevated several feet above the road, on a deep lot.

(OVER)

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

In the 5-bay front elevation, first floor windows are 2/2 and second floor windows 12/12. The central door has transom of five tombstone-shaped lights under dentil course and flat cap. At the second floor there is a central tripartite window. Second floor windows have dentil courses at their lintels. On the interior, the stairway is closed in, with a door, and is narrow and cramped. Other interior trim is modest.

18. ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

The house is significant architecturally because it is an example of Colonial architecture with decorative features which include the dentil courses, transom lights and tripartite window. The absence of corresponding decorative features on the interior suggests that the exterior features may be added.

The house is significant historically because of its association with the Rev. John Wightman (1723-1781), an itinerant Baptist minister who settled in Southington and became the second resident pastor for the dozen or so Baptist families. His purchase of the land, only, establishes the date of the house. See Farmington Land Records 18/172. Rev. Wightman is buried in a small cemetery next door.

SOURCES

Grant, Lee P. & Carol Ann, interview, September 7, 1985.

Timlow, H. R., Sketches of Southington, Conn., Hartford, Case, Lockwood & Brainard, 1875, 1976 reprint, pp. 304-309, ccliv.

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20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

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"/> Explanation _____