

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

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NATIONAL REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name 710 Armada Road South  
other names/site number Senator Copeland House  
8 SO 472

2. Location

street & number 710 Armada Road South N/A not for publication  
city, town Venice N/A vicinity  
state Florida code FL county Sarasota code FL 115 zip code 34293

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	2	0 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site		sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure		structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object		objects
		2	0 Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Venice Multiple Property Group  
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official: George W. Perry State Historic Preservation Officer  
Florida Dept. of State - Bureau of Historic Preservation  
Date: 7/5/89  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

5. 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: Ray Schlager Date of Action: 8/17/88

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**6. Function or Use**

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Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

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Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTICE/single dwelling

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**7. Description**

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Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

SPANISH COLONIAL REVIVAL

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Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation OTHER/hollow clay tile

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walls OTHER/hollow clay tile

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STUCCO

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roof OTHER/hollow clay tile

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other WOOD

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Describe present and historic physical appearance.

**8. Statement of Significance**

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally     statewide     locally

Applicable National Register Criteria     A     B     C     D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)     A     B     C     D     E     F     G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL HISTORY

ARCHITECTURE

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Significant Person

N/A

Period of Significance

1925-1928

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Cultural Affiliation

N/A

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Architect/Builder

unknown

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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

See continuation sheet

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Please See Cover Nomination: Venice Multiple Property Group

**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 # \_\_\_\_\_

See continuation sheet

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

**Specify repository:**

Bureau of Historic Preservation \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of property approximately one acre

**UTM References**

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Zone Easting Northing

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See continuation sheet

**Verbal Boundary Description**

Gulfview Subdivision-Block 20, Lot 13.

See continuation sheet

**Boundary Justification**

Boundary follows the legal boundary description historically associated with the property.

See continuation sheet

**11. Form Prepared By**

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710 Armada Road South

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The structure located at 710 Armada Road South, constructed in 1925, contributes to the Venice Multiple Property Group under Associated Property Type F1, Buildings of Venice. The two story residence is typical of the Category, Housing Facilities, Subcategory, Large-sized Residence.

The structure located at 710 Armada Road South, known as the Senator Copeland House, is a two story Mediterranean Revival style residence constructed of hollow clay tile with a smooth stucco finish. The house contains a slope-front gabled main block with a gable-front wing extending out one half bay from the main facade at the south end of the west elevation. (See Photo 1) The south elevation is dominated by a two story wing with a shed roofed enclosed porch at the upper level. Constructed of wood and stucco, the enclosed porch contains a cross brace balustrade and heavy timbered supports. Roofing is clay barrel tile at all elevations including the chimney cap. Fenestration is replacement aluminum jalousies at all elevations except the north. The articulated, recessed sidehall main entrance has a stepped quoin surround and a lattice screen door. Above the main entrance is a shed roofed balcony with heavy, chamfered timber posts and turned post balustrades. A center window at the first story is covered with wrought iron screening. The chimney flue contains arched openings and is gabled.

A porte cochere is attached at the south elevation and provides access to the rear garage apartment. (See Photo 3) The garage has been altered with the enclosure of the bay doors and replacement aluminum windows. The hollow clay tile structure is stuccoed and covered with clay barrel tile roofing. (See Photo 4)

The large lot is lavishly landscaped in live oaks, pine trees, palmettoes and sabal palms, and a massive ficus tree located at the south side of the large lawn. (See Photo 4)

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The Mediterranean Revival style residence at 710 Armada Road South is significant at the local level under Criterion C as an excellent example of the Mediterranean Revival style as applied to a large-sized residence in Venice, Florida. It is also significant under Criterion A at the local level as contributing to the social history of the development of Venice. The house contributes to the Venice Multiple Property Group under Associated Historic Context: Initial Period of Development of the City of Venice, Florida 1925-1928, and Associated Property Type F1: Buildings of Venice under Category/Subcategory-Housing Facilities, large-sized Residences.

The house at 710 Armada Road South, commonly referred to as the Senator Copeland House, is one of the original large-sized residences planned for Venice by John Nolen in 1925. The structure was built in the Mediterranean Revival style that was required by the developers of the plan, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Located in the Armada Drive area, the house conforms to the standards imposed by both the city planner and the developer in the completion of residential neighborhoods for higher income families. Like the larger residences of the executive officers, the property contains a separate garage/servants quarters facility and ornamental landscaping. The lot provides a comfortable sized yard and is landscaped, unlike those found in the Edgewood Subdivision for the lower income families as well as subdivisions in the Venezia Park area for medium income families.

The property is an excellent example of the use of the Mediterranean Revival style and retains its historic integrity through location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. Of high style, the residence reflects the ability of the style to accommodate the lifestyles of the more successful members of the Venice community. This was part of the significance of the Nolen Plan in Venice as it was able to provide for comprehensive planning under the auspices of one universal architectural style. By doing so, the development of Venice was directly linked to the architectural style of the historic period and reflects the implementation of the Nolen Plan by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

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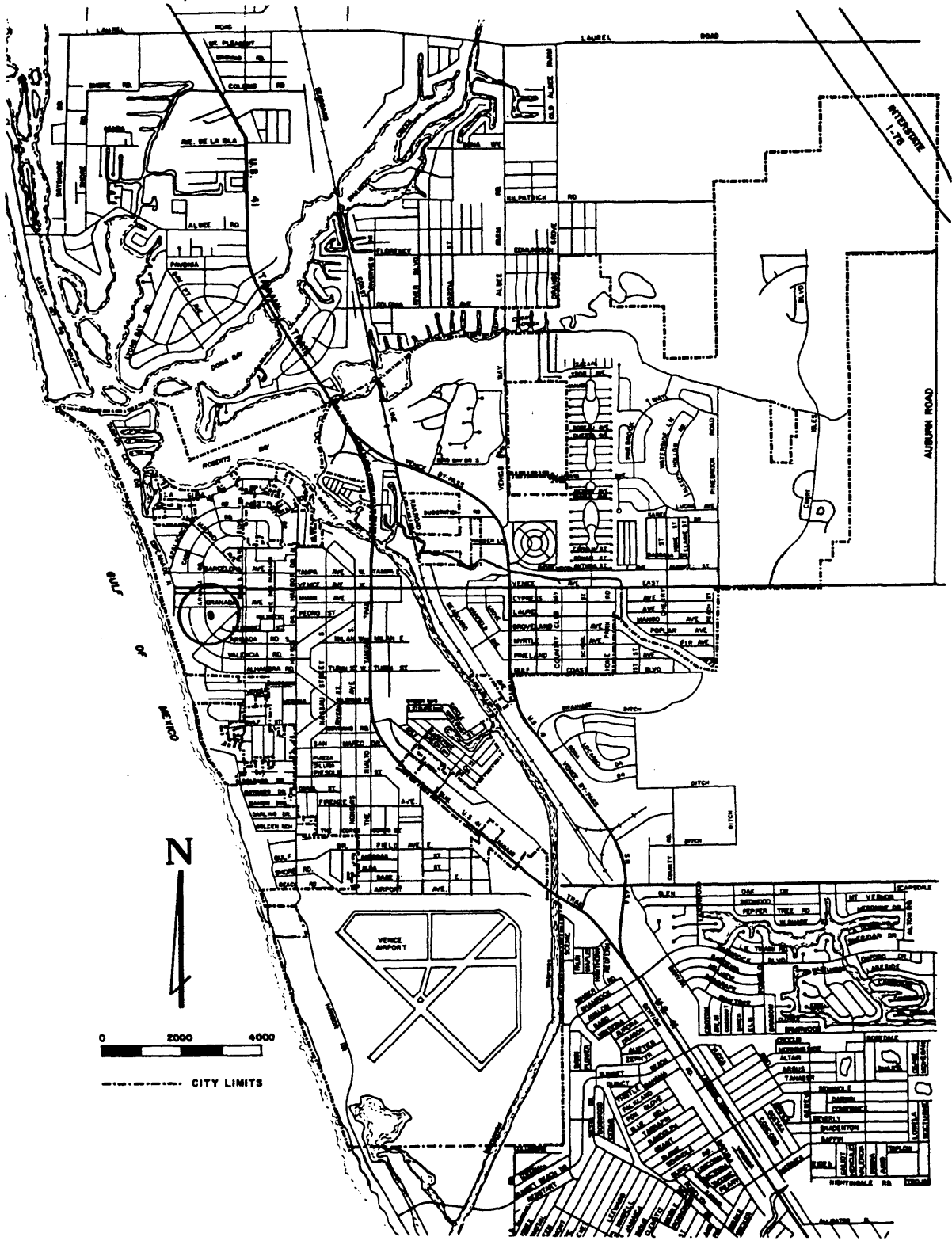
1. 710 Armada Road South
2. Venice, Florida
3. Vicki L. Welcher
4. March, 1989
5. Bureau of Historic Preservation
6. Front elevation facing southeast
7. Photo 1 of 4

Items 1-5 are identical for all photographs

6. Front elevation facing northeast
7. Photo 2 of 4

6. Side elevation facing south
7. Photo 3 of 4

6. Front elevation of garage/servants quarters
7. Photo 4 of 4



710 South Armada Road



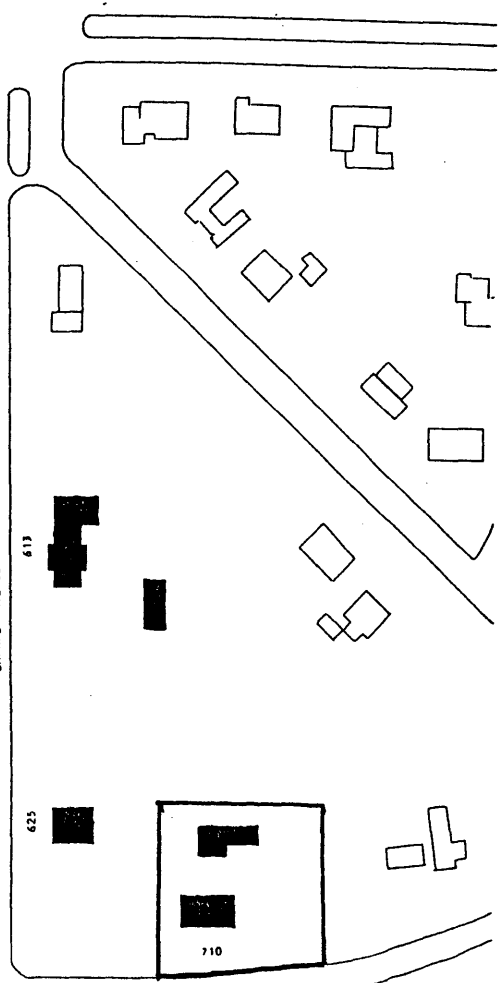
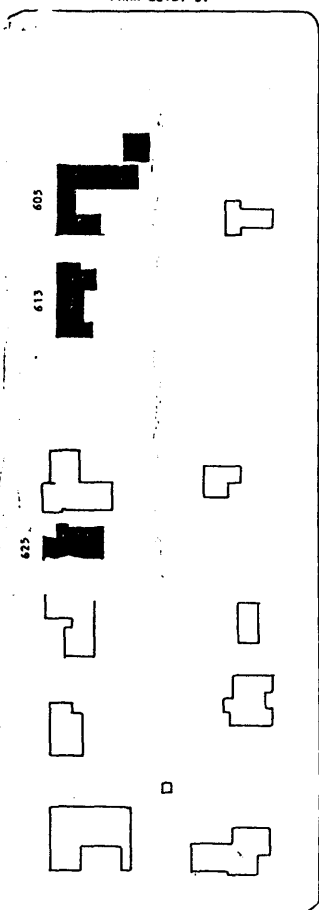
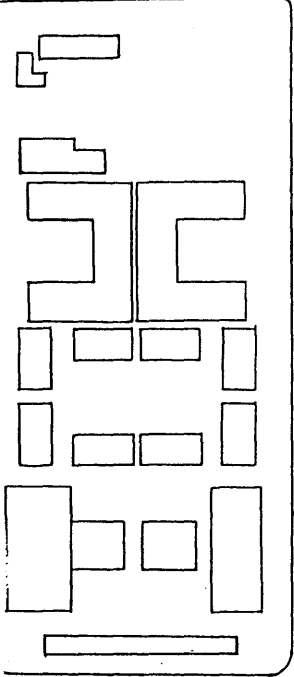
AVENIDA DEL PARQUE

PARK BLVD. S.

N. VENICE AVENUE

GRANADA AVENUE

ARMADA ROAD S.



710 ARMADA ROAD  
South

Venice, FL