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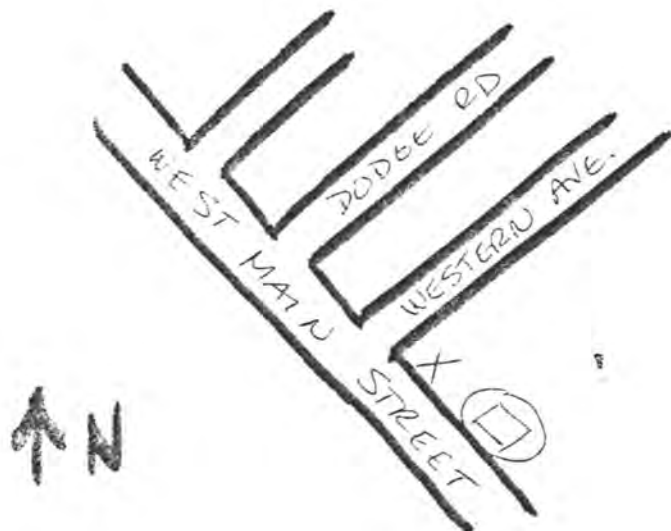
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photos

22:27 exterior
22:28 right hand room
22:29 staircase
22:31 detail, summer beam at front
girt, right-hand room

Sketch Map:



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UTM REFERENCE 19 / 336-340 / 4732-400

USGS QUADRANGLE Georgetown (now Ipswich)

SCALE 1:25,000

Town Georgetown

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Address 93 West Main Street

Historic Name Adams-Clarke House

Use: Present Residence

Original Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1725

Source Physical evidence

Style 1st Period core/Federal vernacular exterior

Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings Garage - late 20th c.

Major Alterations (with dates) Ell added,
right hand end, ca. 1800; rear
addition, 1970s.

Condition Good

Moved No Date N/A

Acreage less than one acre

Setting Suburban street amid houses
of 19th and 20th century construc-
tion date.

Recorded by Anne Grady

Organization Boston University

Date August, 1985

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: GEORGETOWN	Form No: 54
Property Name: Adams-Clarke House	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

SIGNIFICANCE

The Adams-Clark House retains integrity of location, materials, design and workmanship in its late First Period frame which embodies distinctive characteristics of form and construction eligible under Criterion C. The building is representative of a large group of transitional structures where decorative embellishment of the exposed frame becomes minimal, and forward-looking finishes such as vertical feather-edged sheathing appear.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Adams-Clark House is a 2 1/2 story, 5 bay wide, one room deep house with a c. 1800 wing on the right side and later additions to the rear. The house probably began as a single cell structure composed of the right hand rooms and chimney bay. Symmetrical fenestration, sash windows with simple enframements, a central chimney and a pedimented doorway characterize the clapboarded exterior.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

First Period features are visible on the right-hand rooms and lobby. In the right-hand room, there is a transverse hardwood summer beam with flat chamfers and taper stops. In the right-hand chamber, the exposed summer tie beam is unchamfered. There is vertical sheathing with a deep feather edge on the fireplace wall in the chamber. The same deep-feather-edged sheathing is found below the soffit of the staircase in the lobby.

Roof framing is of principal rafters and common purlins. The cellar under just the right-hand room retains a possibly original pucheon staircase.

LATER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

The Adams-Clark house retains a modest three run Second Period staircase with closed stringer and in the left-hand room, a fireplace wall of raised-field paneling with late Second Period mantelpiece. The wing to the right side has a delicate Federal staircase and other trim of c. 1800.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The house was probably built by Isaac Adams shortly after he purchased the property in 1716. In the late 18th century, Captain Benjamin Adams, a Revolutionary War officer who represented Rowley in the General Court between 1778 and 1780 lived in the house.

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National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

Cover

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5-1 1. Abbot--Stinson House Substantive Review

Keeper Beth L. Savage 3/9/90

Attest _____

2. Adams, Abraham, House

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National RegisterKeeper Melanie Byrum 3/9/90

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5-2 3. Adams--Clarke House Substantive Review

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4. Beverly Grammar School

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5-4 7. Brown, Austin, House

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5-5 8. Burnham, James, House

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5-6 9. Carlton--Frie--Tucker House

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 90000211 Date Listed: 03/09/90

<u>Adams--Clarke House</u>	<u>Essex</u>	<u>MA</u>
Property Name	County	State

First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

for Beth L. Savage
Signature of the Keeper

03/09/90
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:Geographical Data: VBD

The handwritten scale on the sketch map supersedes the typed or printed one: the handwritten scale is the appropriate scale for the reduced map.

This information has been confirmed with Ann Tait, MASHPO, by telephone.

DISTRIBUTION:

National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without attachment)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Adams--Clarke House

MULTIPLE NAME: First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Essex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000211

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 3/9/90 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept C
REVIEWER Savage
DISCIPLINE Architectural History
DATE 3/9/90

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N (N) see attached SLR (Y) N

CLASSIFICATION

☐ count ☐ resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

☐ historic ☐ current

DESCRIPTION

☐ architectural classification
☐ materials
☐ descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ applicable criteria
☐ justification of areas checked
☐ relating significance to the resource
☐ context
☐ relationship of integrity to significance
☐ justification of exception
☐ other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

☐ acreage ☐ verbal boundary description
☐ UTM's ☐ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

☐ sketch maps ☐ USGS maps ☐ photographs ☐ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



93 West Main Street
Georgetown

Georgetown, VA
Adams - Clarke House
93 West Main Street
Exterior
1985

1st Period Buildings of E. Man, VA

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Georgetown, TX
Adams-Clarke House
93 West Main Street
right hand room
1985

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TX

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Georgetown, T/A

Adams - Clarke House

93 West Tien Street

Staircase

1985

1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR

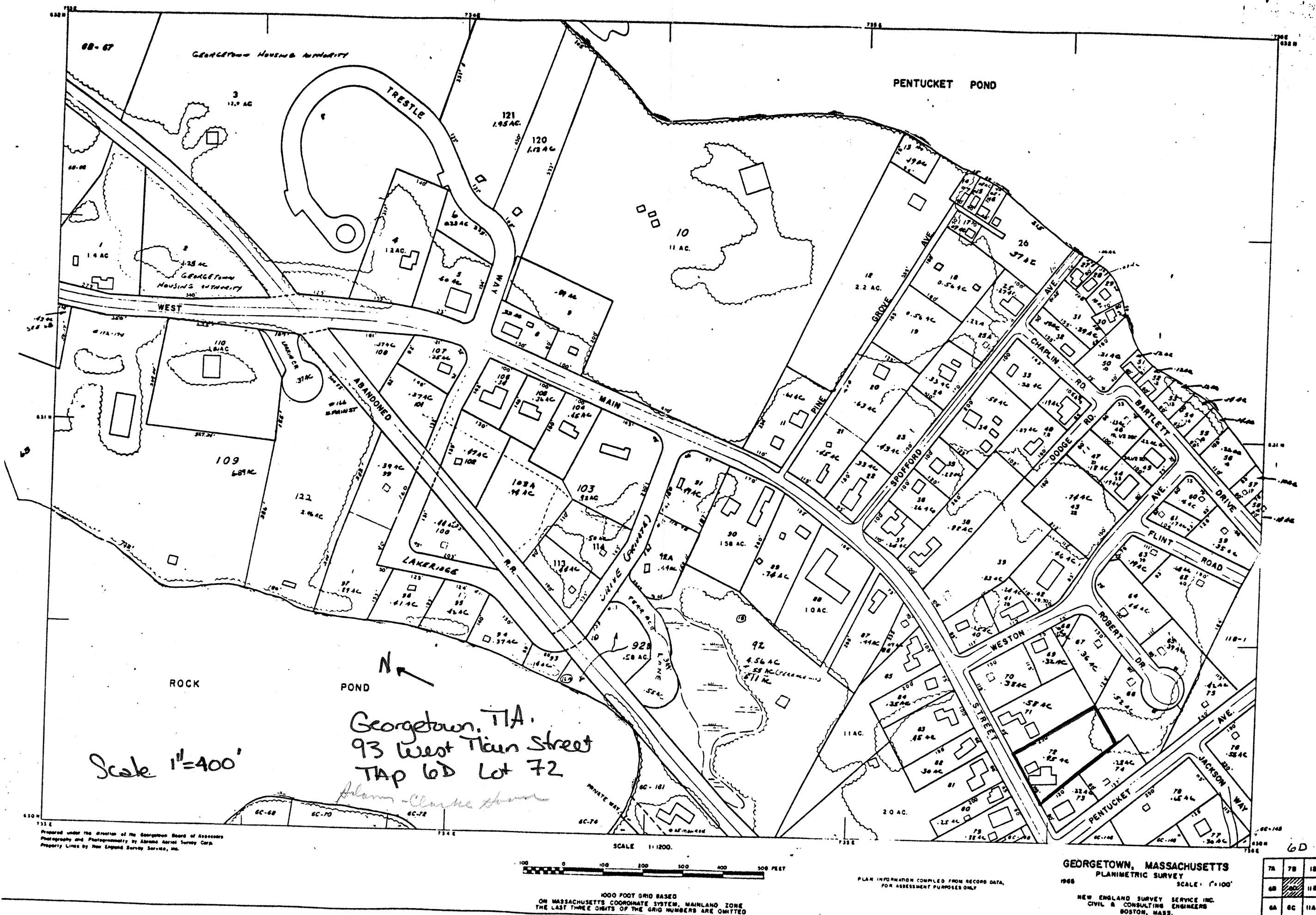
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Georgetown, MA
Adams-Clarke House
93 West Main Street
detached summer beam
1985

for Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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