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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116

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AREA	FORM NO.
OLD CAM.	II B 15B

USGS Map #11

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number 53-5

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Town Cambridge, Mass.
Cambridge MRA

Address 10 Appian Way

Historic Name S.B. Withey House

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1855-1856

Source deed & tax records

Style Greek Revival

Architect S.B. Withey/builder

Exterior wall fabric wood

Outbuildings NA

Major alterations (with dates) none

Moved no Date NA

Approx. acreage .1289 acres

Recorded by T. Alduino

Organization Cambridge Historical Com.

Date 1985

Setting The S.B. Withey House is the last remaining frame house on

Appian Way. This street is now

dominated by modern brick institutional buildings: Larsen Hall (1965 and Gutman Library (1969).

UTM 19/325260/4693400

USGS Quad: Boston North (Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and
evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

The S.B. Withey House is a late Greek Revival House with an extended rear ell. Three stories in height, the house has lighter proportions than earlier Greek Revival houses. The cornice and corner boards are relatively narrow and the street front gable is not a full pediment. The recessed doorway has traditional sidelights, but the door has octagonal panels and the entablature above the door is cut in a "Tudor" arch. Other traditional Greek Revival details include 6/6 fenestration. The S.B. Withey House meets Criterion

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state
history and how the building relates to the development of the community.) Continued

Appian Way was laid out in 1810. The S.B. Withey House is the only house still on its original site and one of the few remaining houses that gives any idea of the early residential character of lower Brattle Street. Other early houses nearby include the Dexter Pratt House (1808) at 54 Brattle Street and the Buckingham and Pratt Houses at the edge of Radcliff Yard. The S.B. Withey House meets Criterion A for its associations with the development of vernacular housing on lower Brattle Street.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

SEE ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Cambridge, Mass. Cambridge MRA	Form No: II B 15B
Property Name: 10 Appian Way	

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

Architectural Significance con't.

C as one of the few examples of vernacular Greek Revival housing surviving on lower Brattle Street.

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Cambridge, Mass.
Cambridge MRA

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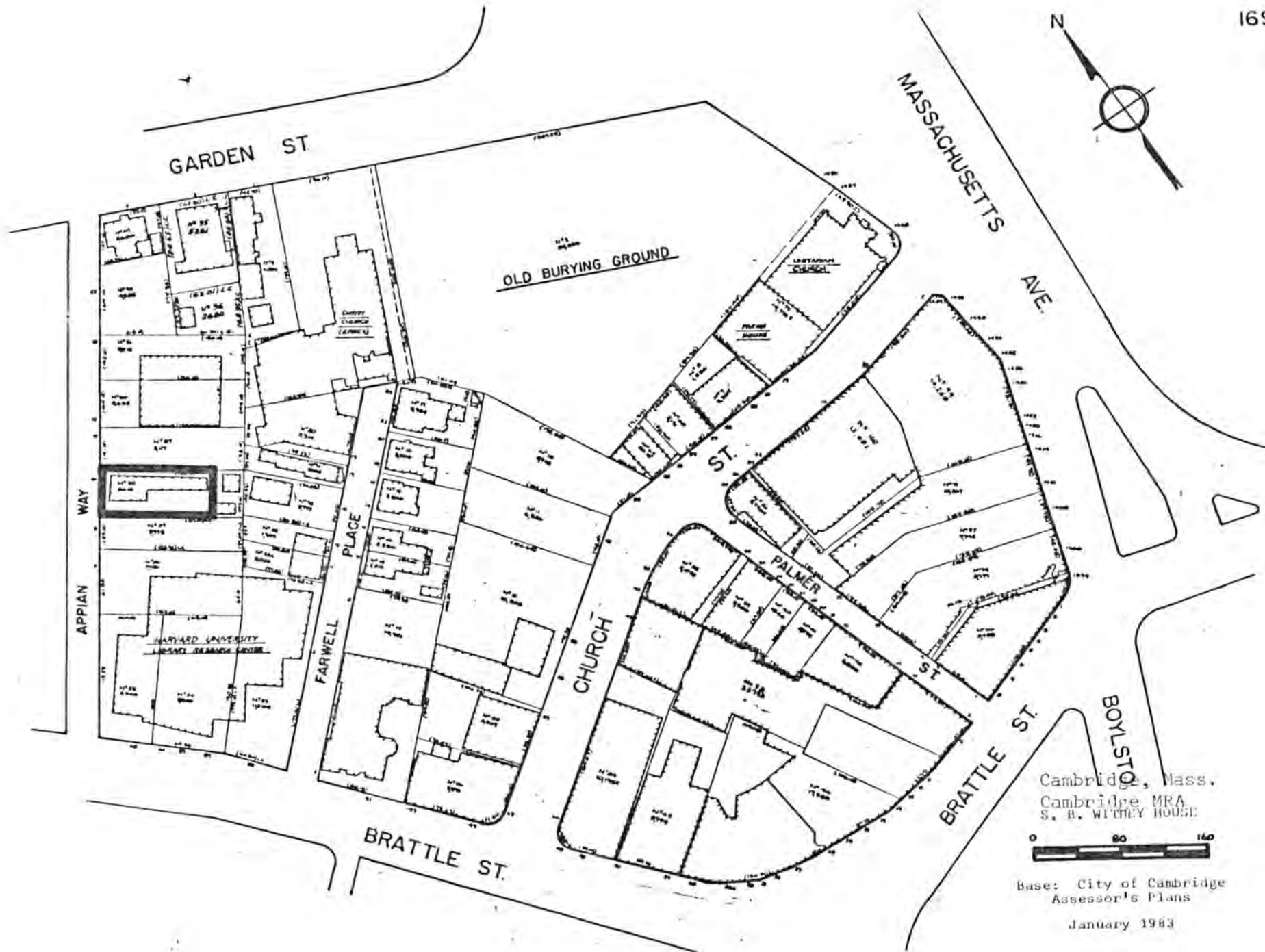
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Cambridge, Mass.
 Cambridge MRA
 S. B. WITNEY HOUSE



Base: City of Cambridge
 Assessor's Plans

January 1983

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Cambridge Multiple Resource Area
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

181. Memorial Drive Apartments Hist. Dist.

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

182. Montrose, The

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

183. Peabody Court Apartments

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

184. Shady Hill Historic District

Substantive Review

Keeper

Attest

185. Stanstead, The

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

186. Stickney-Shepard House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

187. Warren, H. Langford, House

Entered in the
National Register

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188. Withey, S. B., House

Entered in the
National Register

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189. Wood, J. A., House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

190. Biological Laboratory

Substantive Review

Keeper

Attest

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Determined Eligible

automatically
DOE/owner obj 1/24/87

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Withey, S. B., House (Cambridge MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. APR 4 1986

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87

Date Due: 5/1/86 - 5/19/86

Action: ACCEPT 5-19-86
RETURN
REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- ☐ excellent ☐ deteriorated
☐ good ☐ ruins
☐ fair ☐ unexposed

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



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10 Appian Way

Cambridge MA, Ma

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000275