

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA

FORM NO.

174

NJ-358A

Town Newton, Mass. M.R.A.
Newton (Newton Centre)

Address 125 Jackson St

Historic Name Jackson House

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date 1768, 1782

Source Jackson Homestead vertical file

Style Vernacular Georgian

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings 10 Oakmont St, possibly
formerly part of this property

Major Alterations (with dates) both
porticos altered; additions on north
and east,; door surround altered
Condition excellent

Moved no

Date

Acreage less than one acre

Setting suburban residential, near
Route 9 the old Road to Sherborn

UTM REFERENCE 19.319680.4687430

USGS QUADRANGLE NEWTON, MASS.

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Arch Pres Assocs

Organization Newton Hist Comm

Date 5/15/83, rev. 3/86

by H. White

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

(SEE ATTACHED MAP)

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

125 Jackson St meets Criterion A as one of the earliest extant structures remaining in Newton Centre.

Criterion C is met in that 125 Jackson St is a well-preserved example of a vernacular farmhouse of the Georgian period.

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

125 Jackson St is a traditional 2½-story, gable-roofed farmhouse, based on a two-room, central hall plan and organized around a five-bay facade. There are two interior chimneys on the ridge. Greek Revival modifications include the wide, panelled corner boards and Doric-porticoed entrance. It is possible that this house incorporates parts of an earlier structure, which had been built by 1768. The present house may have been constructed on the foundation of the earlier house. Abbott Cummings has suggested a date of c.1790 for the present house. The crown mouldings of the first-story windows are unusual for a house of the 1790s. Greek Revival features were probably added during an 1850s remodelling. The design of the interior is said to have relied heavily on the use of English pattern books of the Georgian period.

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

In 1768 Abraham Jackson is recorded as having taken a mortgage on 3 acres, a house and barn and woodland.

In 1782 the house was sold to Aaron Richards of Dedham, a carpenter. It is possible that Richards built the present house on the foundations of Abraham Jackson's earlier structure.

After Richard's death in 1823 the property, including 60 acres, was sold to Ephraim Jackson, Jr. for \$3,500. One parcel consisted of a dwelling house with 13 acres and outbuildings.

Ephraim Jackson died in 1860, referring in his will to his property as the "Aaron Richards farm". At this time the property was subdivided and the house sold.

The house was occupied by the Children's Aid Society by 1874.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Maps: 1831-Jackson, 1855-Ephraim Jackson, 1860-George E. Jackson,
1874-Boston Children's Aid Society, 1886-Mrs. Edward Winslow
1895- , 1907-Beson.

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 Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

81. Hyde, Gershom, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Date/Signature

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

82. Jackson House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

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83. Jackson, Samuel, Jr.,
House

for Keeper

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Attest

84. Jennison, Joshua, House

Entered in the
National Register

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85. Judkins, Amos, House

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86. King House

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87. Kingsbury House

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88. Kistler House

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89. Merriam, Galen, House

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90. Mount Pleasant

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Jackson House (Newton MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. _____
Fed. Reg. Date: JUL 23 1986 2/3/87
Date Due: 8/2/86 - 9/10/86
Action: ☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT

Entered in the
National Register

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

Federal Agency: _____

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	Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ unaltered	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ altered	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair		
☐ deteriorated		
☐ ruins		
☐ unexposed		

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 _____

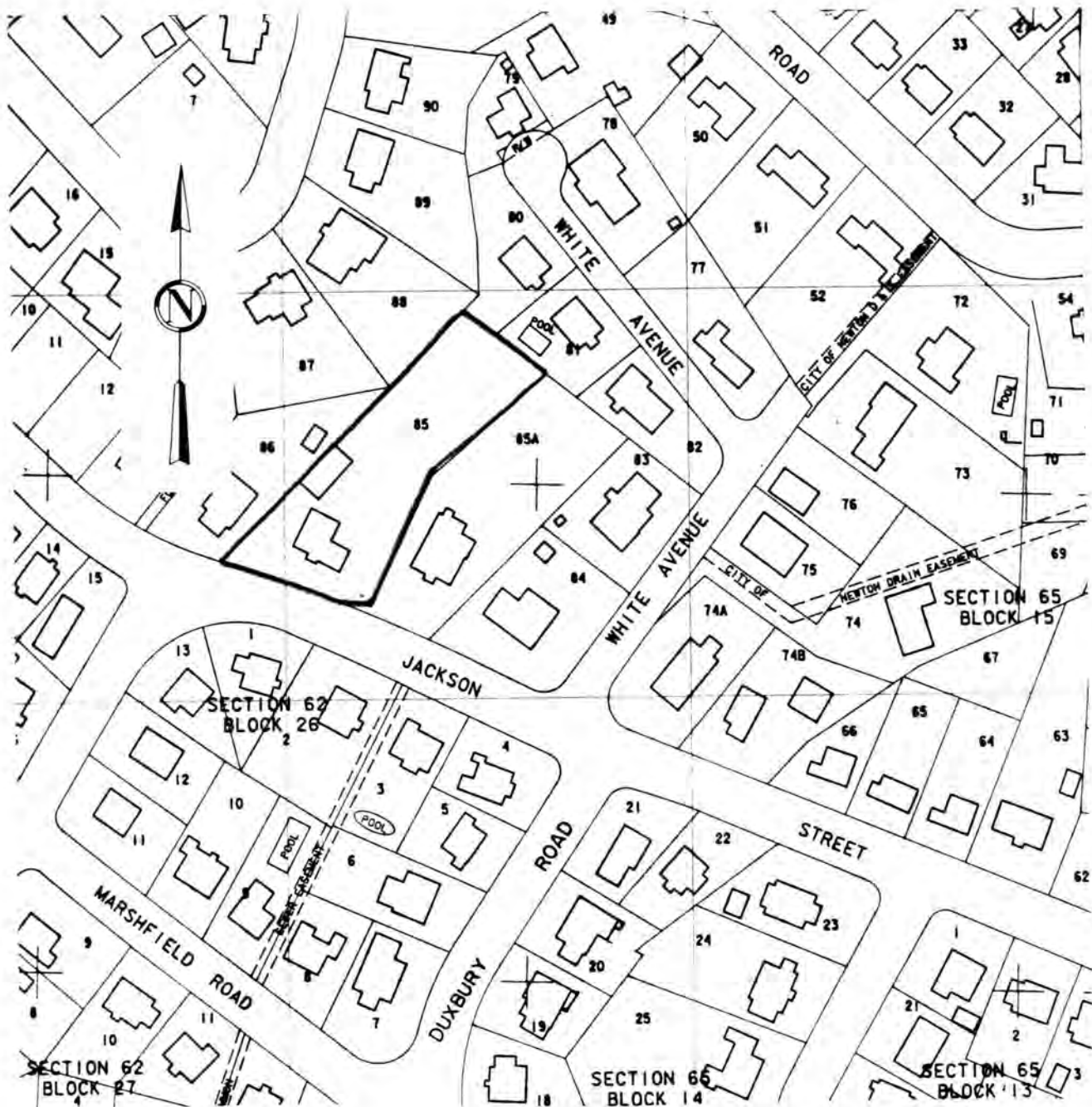
Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Newton, Mass. MRA

Jackson House

125 Jackson St, N. Centre
- MR-A-4 (10) -



City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet 120
Metric Series. 1979
Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.

125 Jackson Street, Newton Centre
The Jackson House
65-19-85

125 JACKSON STREET
NEWTON CENTRE
MASSACHUSETTS 02159

May 18, 1986

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MAY 21 1986

MASS. HIST. COMM.

Ms. Valerie Talmadge, Executive Director
State Historic Preservation Office
Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston St.
Boston, Ma. 02116

Dear Ms. Talmadge:

We were pleased to receive your letter of April 18, 1986, indicating that the State Review Board will consider our property at 125 Jackson St., Newton Centre for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

Thank you for notifying us of the Open House at the Jackson Homestead on May 4 and the public onformation meeting at Newton City Hall on May 15. We attended both meetings and feel that they, plus your letter and its enclosures, have provided the facts essential to understanding this program.

We fully support the inclusion of our property in the National Register and hope the nomination will result in the placing of this beautiful and historic house on the Register listing.

Sincerely yours,

Jean S. LeCompte

Jean S. LeCompte

Philip M. LeCompte

Philip M. LeCompte