

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Vermont	
COUNTY: Addison	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	APR 11 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:
General Samuel Strong House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
64 West Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Vergennes

STATE: Vermont CODE: 50 COUNTY: Addison CODE: 001

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jones Wagstaff

STREET AND NUMBER:
64 West Main Street

CITY OR TOWN: Vergennes STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Town Clerk's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:
(No street number)

CITY OR TOWN: Vergennes STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey (17 sheets and 6 photos)

DATE OF SURVEY: 1936-37 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Division of Prints and Photographs, Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:
Washington

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: D.C. CODE: 11

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The General Samuel Strong House is a large two-story frame L-shaped structure with hip roof and two architecturally elaborated elevations. The residence is about 51 feet wide, 50 feet deep, and the ends of the L are each about 30 feet wide. The exterior walls are covered with clapboards. The main (south) elevation is five bays wide and is dominated by the broad pediment that rises from the low hip roof over the three central bays. A large oval window occupies the center of the pediment. The main cornice, and also the cornice of the pediment, are elaborately decorated with modillions and dentils, and are of both the Corinthian and Doric orders. The first-story of the center bay is occupied by an elaborate door that is flanked by pilasters, topped by a fan light and pediment to form a composition that repeats the entablature of the cornices. The square-headed windows are adorned by exterior louvered shutters. First-story windows on the main (south) and east (side) elevations have cornices above them that also echo the entablature of the main house. Second-story windows are set close to the cornice. The east facade is four-bays wide and this has a one-story pedimented Doric side-entry porch with two columns and pilasters centered between the two middle windows. A tall chimney rises from both the east and west end walls and a third end chimney is situated in the north wall.

On the south elevation a center hall extends half-way through the house. The main staircase, which is of a later period, is located in the hall and set against the east wall. To the left, or west, of the hall is the living room, which is connected by a wide arched doorway with the smaller music room in the rear. To the right of the hall is the library. This room, and also the north end of the center hall, opens into the large dining room. A kitchen, two pantries, and a service stairs are located in the rear or north ell.

The first-floor plan is repeated on the second floor, where there are five bedrooms and a storage room. Interior walls are plastered and the woodwork is quite simple.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1796

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The General Samuel Strong House is an excellent and little-altered frame transitional residence with an elaborate exterior that combines elements of both the late Georgian and Adamesque-Federal styles.

The house is one of Vermont's outstanding examples of "high-style" late 18th Century domestic architecture.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- Herbert W. Congdon, Old Vermont Houses (New York, 1946), 21, 126, 129.
- Vermont, A guide to the Green Mountain State (American Guide Series) (Boston, 1937), 284.
- Dorothy and Richard Pratt, A Guide to Early American Homes - North (New York, 1956), 80.

(This submission is substantially based on a National Register form prepared by the National Historic Landmarks Survey of 1970 by Charles W. Snell, Survey Historian, Division of History, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation, National Park Service.)

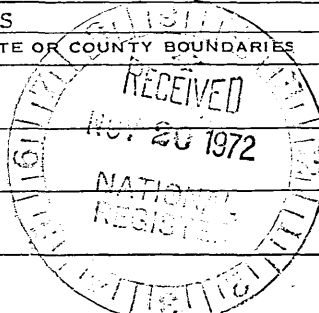
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		44° 09' 50"	73° 15' 30"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 2.5 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Chester H. Liebs, Supervisor

ORGANIZATION: Historic Sites Division DATE: 11/14/72

STREET AND NUMBER:
Pavilion Building

CITY OR TOWN: Montpelier STATE: Vermont CODE: 50

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: William B. Primery

Title: Director of Historic Sites
State Liaison Officer

Date: 11/14/72

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

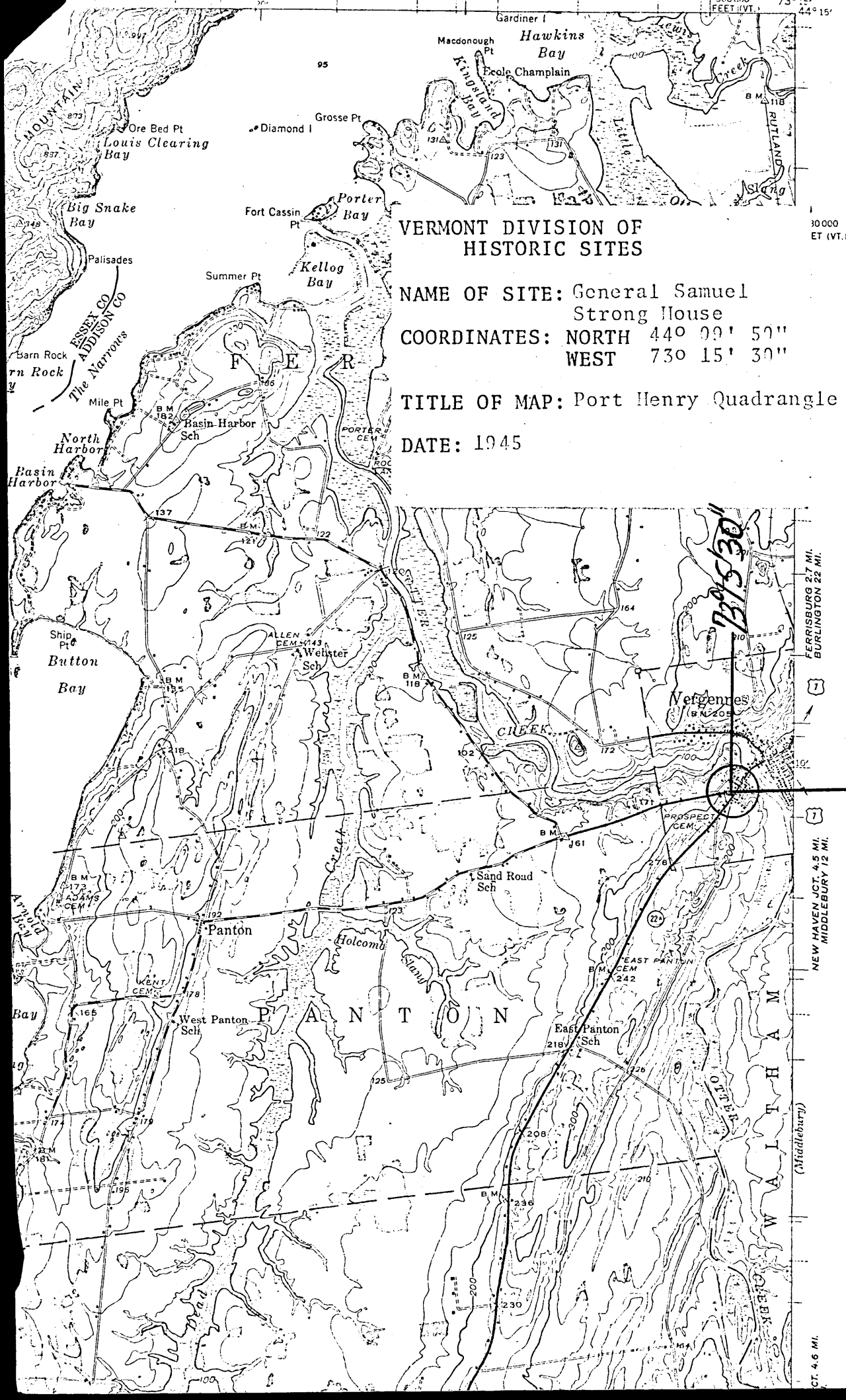
Date: 4/11/73

ATTEST: [Signature]
Keeper of The National Register

Date: 4.3.73

OTM REF 18/639175/4891075

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VERMONT DIVISION OF HISTORIC SITES

NAME OF SITE: General Samuel Strong House

COORDINATES: NORTH 44° 09' 50" WEST 73° 15' 30"

TITLE OF MAP: Port Henry Quadrangle

DATE: 1945

30 000 FT. (VT.)

179530

44° 09' 50"



FERRISBURG 2.7 MI. BURLINGTON 22 MI.

NEW HAVEN JCT. 4.5 MI. MIDDLEBURY 12 MI.

(Middlebury)

CT. 4.6 MI.