

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

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CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM 18 68 09 3 04 610 79 8 0	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	IF NR, SPECIFY <input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common)		(Historic)	
Roswell Moore II House			
2. TOWN/CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
Southington	Southington, CT 06489	Hartford	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)			
1166 Andrews St. (map 152, parcel 2) 3 acres			
4. OWNER(S)			
Smith, Warren et al (vol.417,p.879) <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private			
5. USE (Present)		(Historic)	
Residential		Residential	
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD	INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE	IF YES, EXPLAIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	N.A.

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
Colonial		c. 1787 Timlow p. 244	
8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle not original	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type:	
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon	
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry		<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)			
10. ROOF (Type)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Round
			<input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth
			<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
(Material)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
11. NUMBER OF STORIES	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS		
2	30 x 48'		
12. CONDITION (Structural)		(Exterior)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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13. INTEGRITY (Location)		WHEN ?	(Alterations)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	N.A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			IF YES, EXPLAIN
			Porches, ell
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES			
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)
			26 acre parcel
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden	
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT			
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> High building density
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS			

The house faces east across the street from Wassel Reservoir.

(OVER)

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

The 5-bay house has central doorway and chimney, on brownstone ashlar foundations. The chimney also is brownstone ashlar with torus molding near the top. The portico is Federal in overall design, but has turned posts from the late 19th century. Windows are 6/6. The two first-floor front rooms have original paneling.

18. ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

The house is architecturally significant because it is a good example of architecture of the colonial era. Its brownstone ashlar chimney with torus molding is unusual.

The house is historically significant because it was built by Roswell Moore II, the son of one of Southington's first settlers.

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SOURCES

See continuation sheet.

1988 site visit by Elizabeth Kopec of the Southington Historical Society

PHOTO

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VIEW

Northwest

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ORGANIZATION

ADDRESS

469 Andrews St.
Southington, CT 06489



20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

1988: As mentioned above, this house retains some of its original panelling. It also has three original fireplaces and the front staircase.

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

- None known
 Highways
 Vandalism
 Developers
 Other _____
- Renewal
 Private
 Deterioration
 Zoning
 Explanation _____

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POTENTIALCONTINUATION SHEETItem number: 19 Date: _____

Roswell Moore II House
1166 Andrews Street

The house was built by Roswell Moore II¹ (1761-1847), who was known as Squire Moore, soon after his marriage to Lovina Phillips² (1769-1843). The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. William Robinson at the Southington Congregational Church on October 8, 1787.³

The couple had 12 children. One son, Sheldon Moore (1798-1860), graduated from Yale College in 1818 and later was instrumental in the development of the cement industry in Southington.⁴ Several sons moved to Kensington, Connecticut, where they opened Moore's Mills. Squire Moore became ill in his 86th year. According to his son's diary, when the hired watcher fell asleep, the Squire left the house to die on top of the large rock west of the house.⁵ His son Eli Moore (1801-1870), a Captain in the Southington Light Infantry Company, continued to live in the house until his death.⁶

The house was sold to Dwight Smith (1847-1926) and has remained in the Smith family.⁷ Dwight Smith was the son of Seth Smith and Esther Teal Andrus. He married Edith Emily Rogers on October 31, 1872. After her death, he married her sister Elizabeth. Over the two marriages Dwight Smith became the father of 17 children.

1. Ethelbert Allen Moore, Tenth Generation, By the author, 1950, p. 35.
2. Heman R. Timlow, Sketches of Southington, Conn., Hartford: Case, Lockwood and Brainard Co., 1875, 1976 reprint, p. clxxvi.
3. Timlow, p. 244.
4. Timlow, p. clxxvii.
5. Diary of Sheldon Moore.
6. Timlow, p. clxxviii.
7. E.A. Moore, pp. 35, 36.
8. Francis Atwater, comp., History of Southington, Conn., Meriden: The Journal Press, 1924, p. 493.