

# BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: William Holdrum House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 606 Prospect Street  
(Block 842, Lot 15)

MUNICIPALITY: River Vale

OWNERSHIP:  Public  Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: L.E. Campoli

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

Erskine (1778-80)

Hopkins-Corey (1861) I. Vanderbilt

Walker's Atlas (1876) Howard Cole

Bromley (1912) J. Sloat

Other

RECOGNITION:

National Register  BCHS Marker

HABS #6-696  Bailey

Other NJ Inventory

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 5° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Residential

Commercial

Agricultural

Open Space

Other

COMMENTS:

TREATS TO STRUCTURE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

TREATS TO STRUCTURE:

Roads

Development

Zoning

Deterioration

Other

No Threat,

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

CONDITION:

Excellent  Good

Fair  Deteriorated

STATUS:

Occupied

Unoccupied

Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

Yes, Restricted

Yes, Unrestricted

No

Apparently the sweep (and possibly a supported overhang) was removed from the south front. Dormers have been added and one fireplace was removed.

PHOTO



MAP



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**

1763-1776/HABS; few years before Revolution/Bailey

**BUILDER:**

Probably William Holdrum, Jr.

**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**

"F", 5 bay, center hall with 2 front rooms with fireplaces and 2 back rooms [43'7" x 32'4"]

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**

- Intermediate Summer Beam
- Intermediate Bearing Wall
- Clear Span
- Other

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**

Coursed red sandstone front and rear (east end irregular sandstone); rubble sandstone and fieldstone on west end.

Stucco now covers north and west sides.

**FENESTRATION:**

12/12(2'8-3/4" x 4'8") sash with stone trapezoidal lintels on front.

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**

Center bay of south front, 3'1" x 6'0" split leaf Dutch style door with transom above.

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 1-1/2

- CELLAR: Yes
- No

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:**

9" x 9" @ 4'0" o.c.

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:**

8'2"

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:**

21"

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**

**GARRET:**

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

**ROOF:**

- Gable
- Gambrel
- Curb
- Other

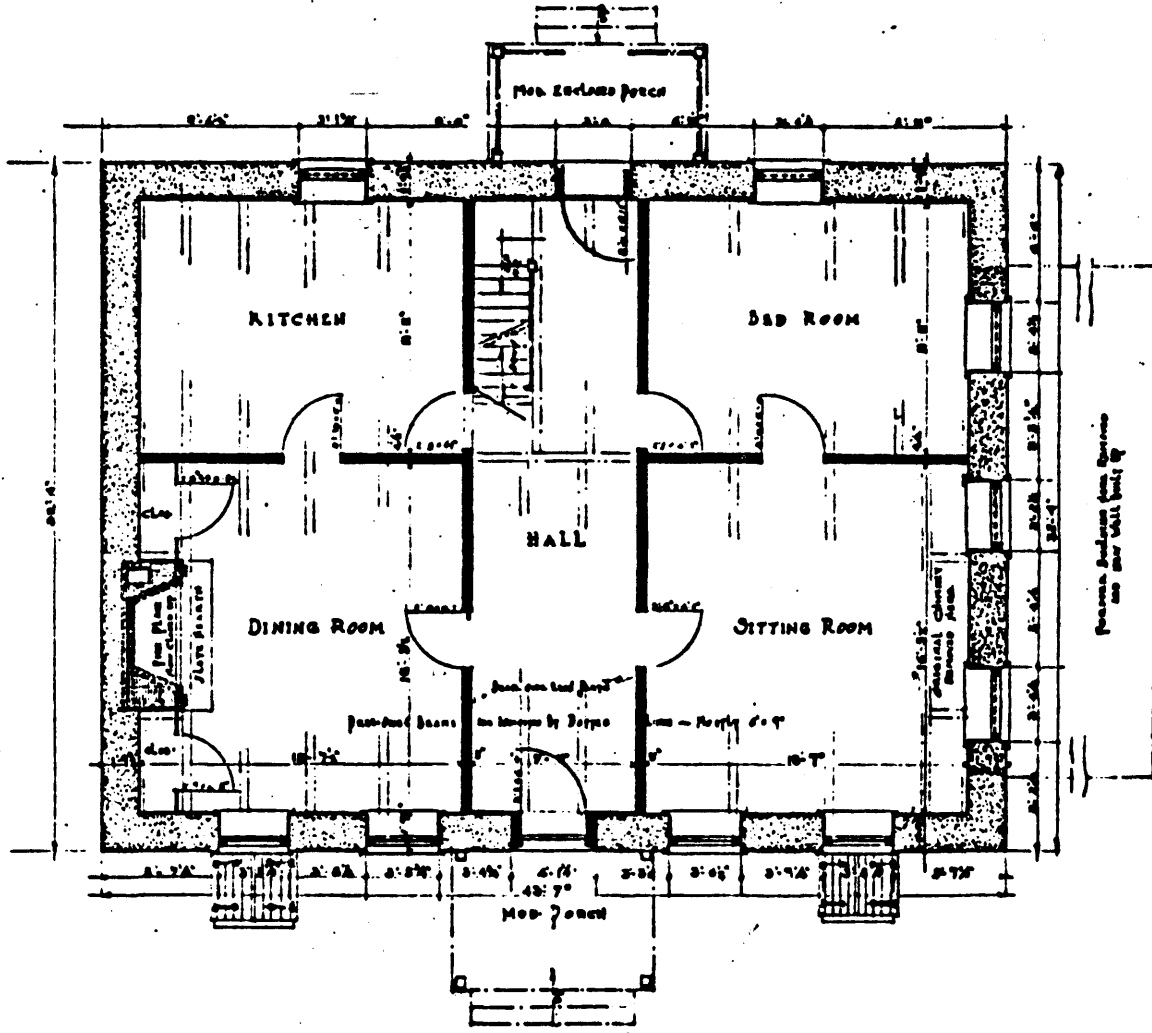
**EAVE TREATMENT:**

- Sweeping Overhang (removed)
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

This house is significant for its architecture and its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County, New Jersey area. It is a reasonably well preserved example of the Form/Plan Type as shown and more fully described herein. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.

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The original part attached to the east side of this house was built prior to 1765 by Johanne Mabie. It was sold to Peter Ackerman and was acquired, prior to 1775, by William Holdrum, Sr. as a home for his son William, Jr. The latter probably built the large section and lived here until his death in 1826. The house and 17 acres were devised to his granddaughters Catherine Demarest and Peggy Pulis. Catherine's husband, Abraham N. Demarest, bought the Pulis share and sold the house to Isaac Vanderbilt in 1842.

(Source: Howard I. Durie)

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 812, Lot 15 - River Vale Tax Map

6.0 acres

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