

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Hopper House
 COMMON NAME:
 LOCATION: 72 Hopper Farm Road.
 (Block 213-01, Lot 4)
 MUNICIPALITY: Upper Saddle River
 OWNERSHIP: Public Private
 OWNER/ADDRESS: Kenneth Lack
 (same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:
 Erskine (1778-80)
 Hopkins-Corey (1861) A.K. Hopper
 Walker's Atlas (1876) Andrew Hopper
 Bromley (1912) J. Sanderson
 Other
 RECOGNITION:
 National Register BCNS Marker
 HABS Bailey
 Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 40° E
 IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 Residential
 Commercial
 Agricultural (formerly)
 Open Space
 Other

COMMENTS:

THREATS TO STRUCTURE

ORIGINAL: Residence
 PRESENT: Residence

THREATS 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

This is obviously an old house, but it has been altered in this century. A partition between the parlors has been removed and an early wing was replaced with a sun room. Quite recently, a large wing has been added that runs off the northwest corner at an angle.

PHOTO



MAP

USGS QUAD: Park Rideau



DESCRIPTION

CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

Revolutionary period - possibly
1750-60/Architectural evidence

BUILDER:

FORM/PLAN TYPE:

Similar to "D" 4 bay, 2 roome deep
(36'3" x 32'6"). South wing gone,
frame north wing has modern
addition to rear.

FRAMING SYSTEM:

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

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:

Irregular but well coursed sandstone
facade, rubble and broken stone on
sides and rear.

FENESTRATION:

Diamond panes over 1 lite, 31" x 62"
(appears to be altered), no lintels
originally.

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:

Twin door center, changed doorways
36" x 6'10" w/ stoop.

NUMBER OF STORIES: 1-1/2

CELLAR: Yes
 No

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

FLOOR JOISTS:

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:

GARRET:

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

ROOF:

- Gable
- Gambrel
- Curb
- Other

EAVE TREATMENT:

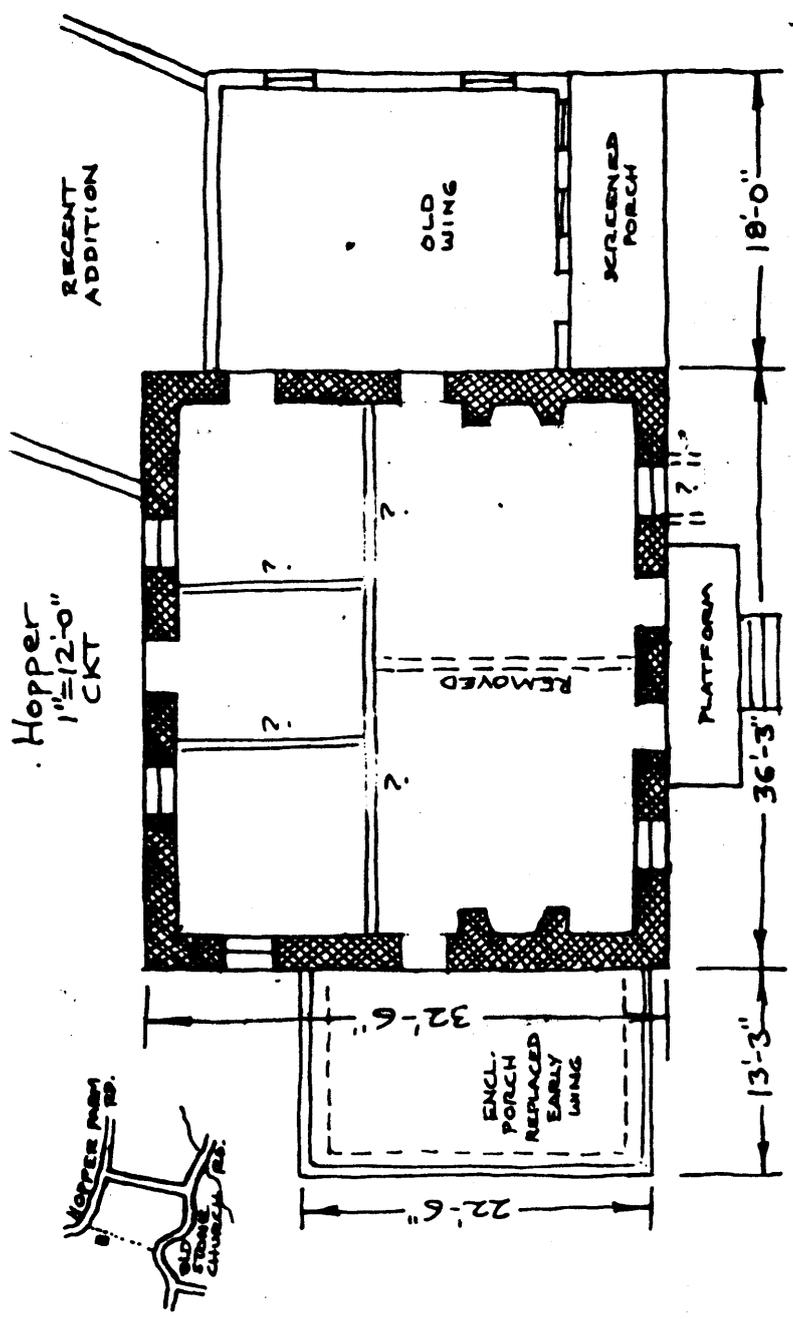
- Sweeping Overhang
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

This house, while having been altered through the years, still retains a sufficient amount of its original fabric that it should be recognized and retained. We are therefore including it for its architectural significance, for its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County area, and for its remaining historic fabric. 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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FLOOR PLANS

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This house stands on Lot # 181 of the Ramapo Tract containing 225 acres and owned in the eighteenth century by John Deremus and Jacob Servent so they may have been the builders. It has long been known as the Hopper House, as it was in that family through most of the nineteenth century. Kenneth Lack, 34, inherited the house when his mother died in the 1940's. The property had been run as a sheep farm, but about 1973 the land, except a lot for the house, was sold to a developer and a large barn was razed. - CKT

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 213.01, Lot 4 - Upper Saddle River Tax Map

1.84 acres

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