

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	NWB.582
Historic Name:	Morrison, Rufus House
Common Name:	
Address:	8-10 Vernon St
City/Town:	Newburyport
Village/Neighborhood:	
Local No:	35-155,155A
Year Constructed:	R 1750
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Georgian
Use(s):	Multiple Family Dwelling House; Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	NWB.L: Newburyport Historic District
Designation(s):	Nat'l Register District (8/2/1984)



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FORM B - BUILDING

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Newburyport

ss 8-10 Vernon Street

ric Name

Original Residence

Present Residence

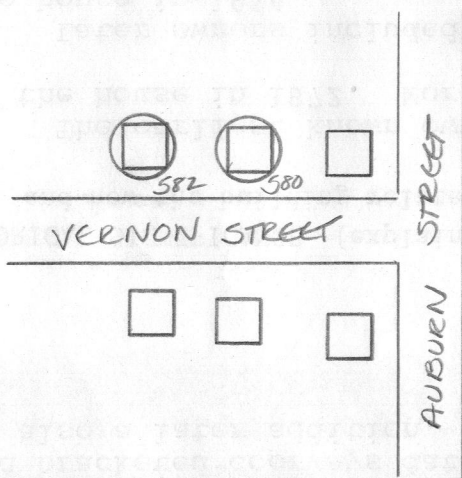
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Private organization

Public

Original owner Unknown

June 1980

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date Eighteenth Century

Source Building Fabric

Style Georgian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings

Major alterations (with dates) dormer added, bay windows added, doorways altered (dates unknown)

Moved Date

Approx. acreage 4,480 sq. ft.

Setting in residential area adjacent to historic High Street.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 01-16-81

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This two story house with pitched roof and lean-to at rear probably dates from the late eighteenth century. The house does not have a symmetrical facade and was possibly built in two phases. Little of the original architectural detail of this house survives. The bay windows and bracketed doorways date from the Victorian period. The roof dormer is also a later addition.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

The earliest known owner of this house was Rufus Morrison, owner of the house in 1872. Morrison was a mason.

Later owners included Bessie Banks and William Cusack, owners of the house in 1924.

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