



City of Winchester

219 South Kent Street

Tax Map Number: 193-1-Q- 15-

DHR Resource Number: 138-0042-0539

Resources: 1 single dwelling

Date/Period: ca. 1800

Style: Vernacular

Sources: Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps; Quarles, *The Story of One Hundred Old Homes*



Architectural Description

Site Description: This single dwelling is located on the southwest corner of the intersection at South Kent Street and East Clifford Street. The building fronts the brick sidewalk with no setback. The sloping, grassy lot features mature trees and shrubs, as well as a cement retaining wall. The property is bounded by wood fencing.

Secondary Resource Summary: There are no visible secondary resources associated with this property.

Primary Resource Description: This one-and-a-half-story, three-bay single dwelling is set on a solid foundation of uncoursed stone. The log dwelling is clad with German wood siding and has wood corner boards. A large exterior-end, brick chimney with an arched hood rises from the side (north) elevation. The side-gabled roof is covered with square-butt wood shingles and features two front-gabled dormers. The dormers are clad with diagonally placed, beaded wood siding and contain 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash windows with narrow wood surrounds. A one-story, three-bay porch stretches across the façade. Set on a brick pier foundation, the porch has a balustrade with sawn balusters and a half-hipped roof of standing-seam metal that is supported by turned wood posts. The window openings on the façade contain 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows with narrow wood surrounds and operable, louvered wood shutters. A single-leaf, paneled wood door with narrow, half-round lights pierces the center bay of the façade. The side (south) elevation is fenestrated by a 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash window in the upper gable end.

A one-story addition is located on the rear (west) elevation of the main block. Set on a coursed stone foundation, the addition is clad with German wood siding and has a front-gabled roof of standing-seam metal. An exterior-end, brick chimney with a metal hood rises from the rear (west) elevation. This addition is noted on the 1885 Sanborn Fire Insurance map, the first year that this area was recorded.

A one-story, full-depth addition, probably log construction, is located on the side (north) elevation. This addition has a shed roof and the same material treatment as the main block. A recessed, single-leaf door of vertical boards provides entry into this addition from South Kent Street. It is reached by concrete steps.

A one-story addition is located on the side (north) elevation of the first addition. Clad with German wood siding and set on a solid concrete foundation, the addition has a shed roof covered with standing-seam metal. Fenestration consists of two fixed, six-light wood windows on the east elevation.

A one-story, one-bay porch, on the south elevation of this addition, is set on a brick pier foundation. A set of side-entry concrete steps provide access to the porch. The single-leaf entry has a paneled wood door with lights. The porch has a sawn wood balustrade and a half-hipped roof of standing-seam metal that is supported by chamfered wood posts. This addition is fenestrated with 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows with narrow wood surround and operable, louvered wood shutters.

A one-story, shed-roofed addition has enclosed the north elevation of the rear addition. It is clad with German wood siding.

A one-story porch is located on the north elevation of the shed-roofed addition and has a shed roof supported by square wood posts.

Significance Statement: This single-family dwelling is representative of the domestic architecture constructed in the City of Winchester at the turn of the eighteenth century. It is one of the oldest extant domestic buildings on South Kent Street, and in the Winchester Historic District, and maintains its integrity of feeling because it evokes a sense of its historic time period. The dwelling retains its integrity of materials, workmanship, although additions have weakened its integrity of design. However, the additions are modest and relegated to the side and rear elevations of the main block. The integrity of location and setting has been maintained. All of these aspects contribute to integrity of feeling and association. The dwelling retains sufficient integrity to qualify under Criteria A and C as a contributing resource in the Winchester Historic District.