

FORM B - BUILDING

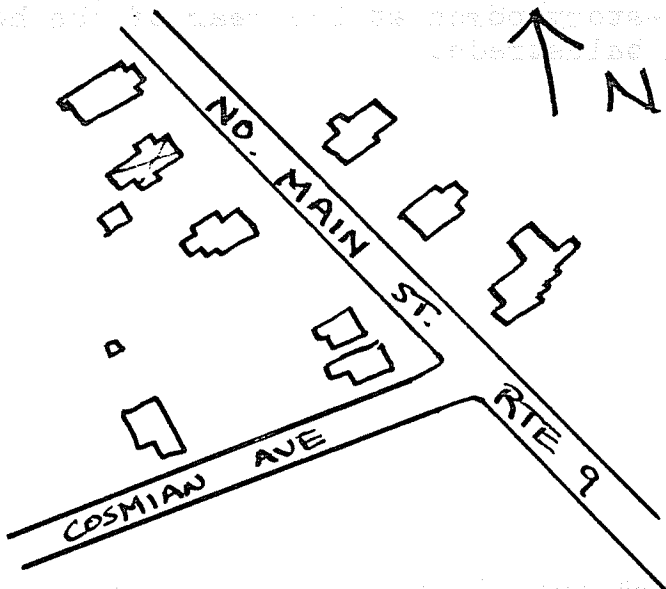
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	17C-259



1 Northampton
 Address 68 North Main Street
 Name C. Damon House
 Present use residence
 Present owner Gordon & Donna Luce
 Description:
 Date 1885-1888
 Source Registry of Deeds & Director
 Title
 Architect

4. Map. Draw sketch of building in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Exterior wall fabric clapboard
 Outbuildings (describe)
 Other features
 Altered _____ Date _____
 Moved - - - Date - - -

5. Lot size:
 One acre or less x Over one acre _____
 Approximate frontage 90'
 Approximate distance of building from street 20'

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
 USGS Quadrant _____
 MHC Photo no. _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan
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 Date January 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Chester Damon

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| Aboriginal | _____ | Conservation | _____ | Recreation | _____ |
| Agricultural | _____ | Education | _____ | Religion | _____ |
| Architectural | _____ | Exploration/
settlement | _____ | Science/
invention | _____ |
| The Arts | _____ | Industry | _____ | Social/
humanitarian | _____ |
| Commerce | _____ | Military | _____ | Transportation | _____ |
| Communication | _____ | Political | _____ | | |
| Community development | _____ | | | | |

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

North Main St. has existed since the 18th century as "Williamsburg Road", but didn't really begin to be developed until the last third of the 19th century. By 1900 houses lined both sides of the street from the center of Florence to Bridge Road. Most of these houses remain, and with only a small amount of 20th century infill the street retains its character.

The house has a relatively plain three-bay facade. The southern side has a two-story bay window with flaring polygonal roof projecting from a wall gable, as well as a two-story porch at the rear of the house with posts, decorative brackets and balustrade.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

1884 and 1895 Atlases.
Registry of Deeds: Bk. 392-P. 313.
Northampton Directory: 1888-89.