

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	31A-229

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1 Northampton

Address 24 Harrison Avenue

Name J. Mason House

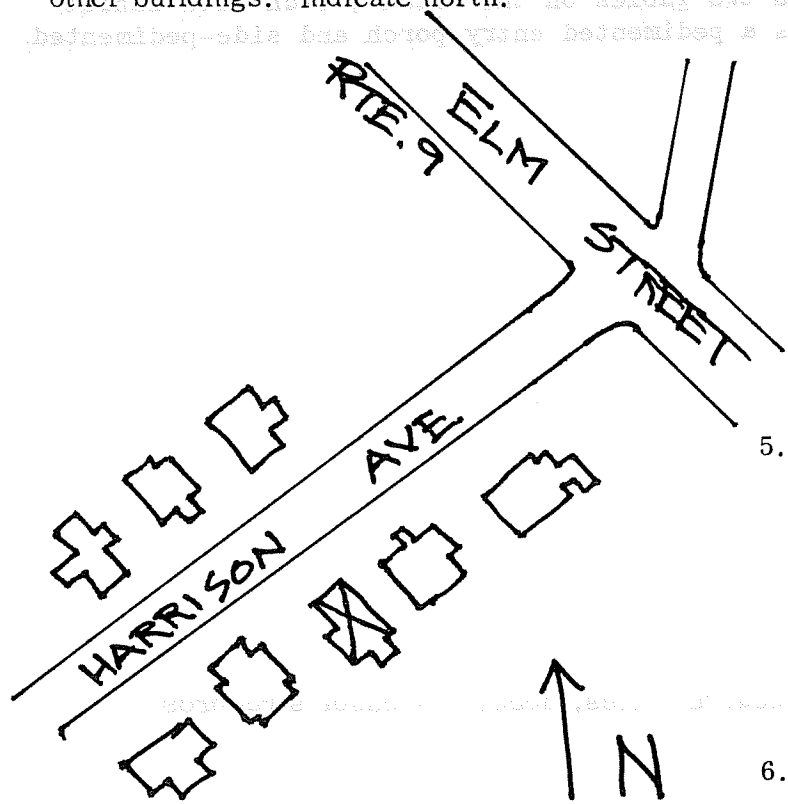
Present use residence

Present owner Donald & Jean Rogers

Description: _____
_____ 1892

Source Reg. of Deeds & Atlas & S.D.R.

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



Architect _____

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 _____

Approximate distance of building from street
_____ 20'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date March 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) _____

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	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)

This house was built for John Mason in 1892 at a cost of \$3500. Mr Mason was a lawyer and justice for the District Court. He later became president of the Hampshire County National Bank. Harrison Ave. was opened in 1890 by J.C. Hammond and J.A. Sullivan and quickly became one of the most fashionable streets in the city.

The house features two gables on the facade, each with lancet window and Palladian window, as well as a pedimented entry porch and side-pedimented front sun porch.

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

1884 & 1895 Atlases

Northampton Directory: 1895-96, 1915

Registry of Deeds: Bk.449-P.411

Springfield Daily Republican Dec. 31, 1892.