

FORM B - BUILDING

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

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In Area no. G	Form no. 31B-164
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1. Town Northampton
Address 149 Elm Street
Name FORMERLY called Eames Home
Once known as the Sage Place
Present use Apartments

Present owner Richard Shea, 137 Elm

3. Description: 3 story frame
Date 1840-46 ?

Source Deeds Wills

Style Carpenter. 19th c. Queen Anne

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric wood

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features Gabled Balcony 3rd floor
Porch balcony 2nd floor
Dormer and bay windows

Altered probably Date 1886 ??

Moved _____ Date _____

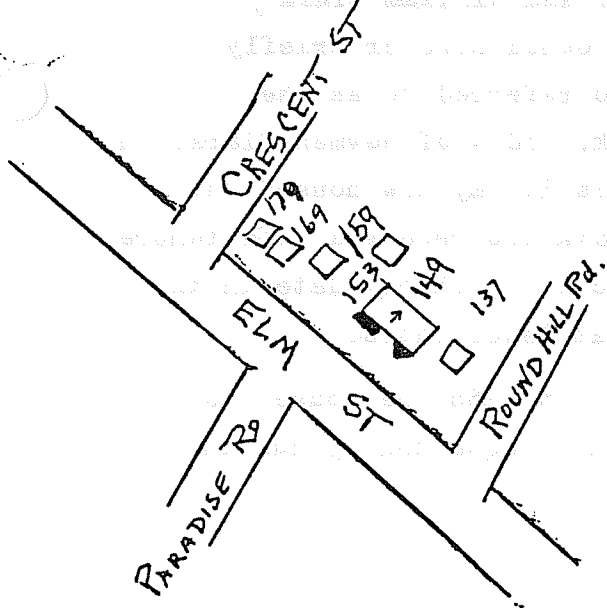
5. Lot size:
One acre or less x Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage 50-60ft
Approximate distance of building from street
50 ft.

6. Recorded by E. T. Lincoln

Organization Northampton Hist. Commission

Date April, 1977

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



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7. Original owner (if known) William Clark ?

Original use Residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Apartments

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

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

References to a house on this lot, several times designated the "Sage Place", go back to the 1860s or earlier when records are obscured in the wills of William Clark Sr. and William Clark, and to a larger property in this location owned however briefly by Emily Sage from 1846-1850. It is also referred to as the William Clark homestead. When Sarah Clark, widow of Newman Clark, in 1886 moved into the house from 41 Elm, she calls it "my new house" But she acquired the property from Miriam Clark who received life tenure from Wm Clark in 1868. Parts of the structure probably date in the 1840s. Balconies, porchs and bays added at later dates.

During the ownership of the Eames family 1935-1958 the house was used as a guest house called Eames Home and frequented by guests of Smith College students.

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

Registry of Deeds:

1544 / 451 1968
 1443 / 107 1964
 1443 / 97 1964
 1286 / 450 1958
 903 / 426 1935
 355 / 285 1880

294 / 149 1872
 112 / 352 1846

Probate Records

Box 185 # 40 1868
 33 27 1843

Maps:

1873
 1884
 1895