

# BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Frederick Wortendyke House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 12 Pascack Road  
(Block 1316, Lot 26)

MUNICIPALITY: Park Ridge

OWNERSHIP:  Public  Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Dennis C. & Barbara  
Beaumont  
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

- Erskine (1778-80) Road not surveyed
- Hopkins-Corey (1861) E. Hill
- Walker's Atlas (1876) W.J. Hill
- Bromley (1912)
- Other

RECOGNITION:

- National Register
- BCHS Marker
- HABS
- Bailey
- Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 12° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

COMMENTS:

THREATS TO STRUCTURE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

THREATS TO STRUCTURE:

- Roads
- Development
- Zoning
- Deterioration
- Other
- No Threat

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

- CONDITION:
- Excellent
  - Fair
  - Good
  - Deteriorated
- STATUS:
- Occupied
  - Unoccupied
  - Work in Progress
- ACCESSIBLE:
- Yes, Restricted
  - Yes, Unrestricted
  - No

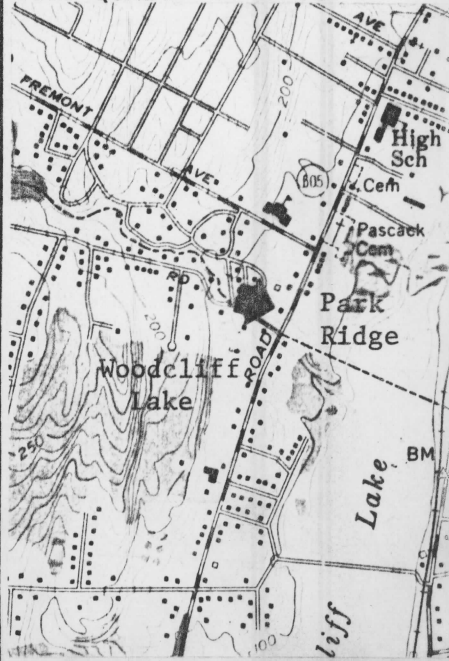
This house probably dates from the mid eighteenth century, but was changed and extended about the time of the Revolution. The owner says ten feet was added to the west by removing the wall and using the stone to extend part of the rear. The second story was added in the early nineteenth century. The addition is imperceptible generally as the break occurred at windows front and rear. The original plan cannot be ascertained but appears to be a side hall with the staircase possibly at the rear of the hall.

PHOTO



MAP

USGS QUAD: Park Ridge



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**

c. 1750/Tradition

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 2-1/2

**CELLAR:**  Yes  
 No

**BUILDER:**

Probably Frederick Wortendyke

**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**

3 bay, 2 rooms deep.  
(33'9" x 30'8")

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**

Stone Arch  
 Brick Arch, Stone Foundation  
 Other

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**

Intermediate Summer Beam  
 Intermediate Bearing Wall  
 Clear Span  
 Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:** 8" x 10" (7" x 9" under west wing), well cut & squared, 26-29" between.

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:** 7'7"

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:** 20"

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**

Cut sandstone front w/ trapezoidal lintels, stucco on east, rubble on north, frame on west.

**GARRET:**

Unfinished Space  
 Finished Space

**FENESTRATION:**

6/6, 34" x 59" on front, 12/8 on rear.

**ROOF:**

Gable  
 Gambrel  
 Curb  
 Other

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**

Center, plain w/ transom, 7'0" high.  
Door is 32-1/2" x 6'2-1/2"

**EAVE TREATMENT:**

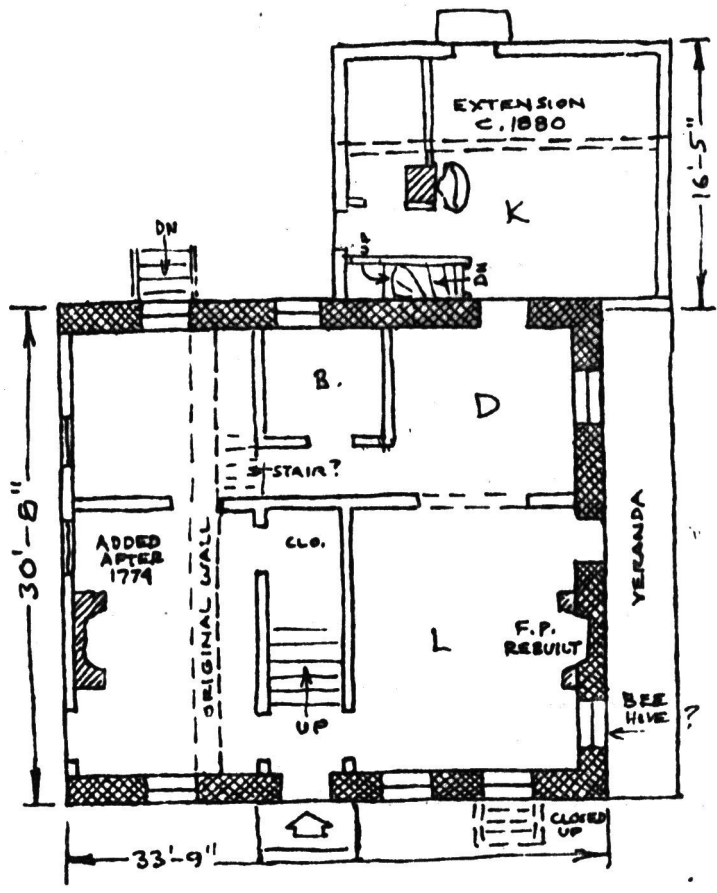
Sweeping Overhang  
 Supported Overhang  
 No Overhang  
 Boxed Gutter  
 Other

This house is significant for its architecture and its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County, New Jersey area. It is a reasonably well preserved example of the Form/Plan Type as shown and more fully described herein. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.

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Wortendyke  
Park Ridge  
1" = 12'-0"  
CKT

The original house here was built about 1750-55 by Frederick Wortendyke, Jr. on the south half of a tract of 465 acres purchased by his father Frederick, Sr. from Hendrick Vanderlinda in 1735. Frederick, Sr. lived on the Tappan Patent (in Harrington Park). Frederick, Jr. inherited the land by his father's will dated November 25, 1747. On April 3, 1748 he married Sarah Durie and in August 1763 he married Marjory Ryer. The original house had two rooms with fireplaces on the end walls. Prior to 1798 the house was enlarged westward beyond the west fireplace. The house then had three chimneys, two front doors and two windows. This addition may have been done when Frederick, Jr.'s son John was married in 1794. A sketch appears on a map of December 13, 1795. Frederick, Jr. died in 1797 (his will was dated September 22 and proved December 1 of that year) and devised to his son John the house where John lived and 90.5 acres. John married Elizabeth Post and died in 1844. The homestead and part of the farm went to his son Peter who sold the house and 40 acres on both sides of the road to Benjamin Hill on April 7, 1851 for \$2,800. The second story was probably added about this time and other changes were made. Hill's daughter Margaret married Albert J. Terhune who had a cobbler's shop in the present kitchen wing. Hill died in 1885 and his son Thomas inherited and remained until his death in 1924. - CKT.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 1316, Lot 26 - Park Ridge Tax Map

Less than 1 acre

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Park Ridge, New Jersey-New York

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Stone Houses of Bergen County Thematic Resources  
State New Jersey

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

161. Brinkerhoff House  
(231 HACKENSACK AVE)

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 7/24/84

Attest

162. Hopper House  
(72 Hopper Farm Rd.)

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

Attest

163. Hopper-Goetschius House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

Attest

164. Hennion House  
(54 Pleasant Ave.)

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

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165. Terhune-Hopper House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

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166. White Tenant House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/12/83

Attest

167. Smith, Albert, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

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168. Zabriskie, Nicholas, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

Attest

169. Wortendyke, Frederick, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

Attest

170. Post, Peter P., House

Substantive Review

Keeper

[Signature] 1/10/83

Attest

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

Substantive Review

Wortendyke, Frederick, House (Stone Houses of Bergen  
County TR)  
Bergen County  
NEW JERSEY

Working No. 11/26/82-3899  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84  
Date Due: 12/24/82 - 1/10/83  
Action:  ACCEPT 1/10/83  
 RETURN  
 REJECT

- resubmission
  - nomination by person or local government
  - owner objection
  - appeal
- Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria accept  
Reviewer Ken Boyle  
Discipline A.H.  
Date 1.10.83  
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

## 8. Significance

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

## 10. Geographical Data

Address of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Geographic name \_\_\_\_\_

USIT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Form Prepared By

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## 13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272-3500

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000499