

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION
ALBANY, NEW YORK (518) 474-0479

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
UNIQUE SITE NO.	_____
QUAD	_____
SERIES	_____
NEG. NO.	_____

YOUR NAME: NYS PARKS & RECREATION DATE: _____
 YOUR ADDRESS: AGENCY BLDG. #1
EMPIRE STATE PLAZA TELEPHONE: _____
ALBANY, NY 12238
 ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- BUILDING NAME(S): Wiggins-Rolph House
- COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Huntington VILLAGE: Huntington
- STREET LOCATION: 518 Park Avenue
- OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- PRESENT OWNER: Mrs. J.H. Vandersall ADDRESS: same
- USE: Original: residence Present: same
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by appointment only

DESCRIPTION

- BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): _____

side wings added early twentieth century

- PHOTO: See attached
- MAP: See attached

14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
 d. developers e. deterioration
 f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
 a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
 d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
 g. shop h. gardens
 i. landscape features: _____
 j. other: NONE
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
 a. open land b. woodland
 c. scattered buildings
 d. densely built-up e. commercial
 f. industrial g. residential
 h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

See attached

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

See attached

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: circa 1750 wing; 1818, main dwelling

ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: Dr. Wiggins-circa 1750 wing; Judge Moses Rolph-main dwelling

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See attached

Ownership: 1860-Prime; 1873-R. Prime; 1909-Cornelia Prime;
 1917-Cornelia Prime

21. SOURCES:

See item 9 on nomination form

22. THEME:

Huntington Multiple Resource Area
Suffolk Co., New York

Wiggins-Rolph House, 518 Park Avenue

17. The Wiggins-Rolph House is located on a less than one acre lot near the corner of Park Avenue and Leslie Lane in the unincorporated village of Huntington. A major north/south road, Park Avenue is bordered by the village common and the Old Town Green Historic District to the north. The nominated property is located in a neighborhood of extensively altered nineteenth-century and early twentieth century dwellings situated on small village lots. The property contains no outbuildings. (1 contributing building)

18. Built in 1848, the Wiggins-Rolph House is a large, two and one-half story, five-bay shingled residence with a modern one-story south wing and a modern two-story, north wing. The steeply pitched gable roof is dominated by paired interior end chimneys on both sides. The facade is distinguished by a narrow frieze, six-over-six, double-hung sash windows with louvered shutters, and a central entrance with a massive Greek Revival style door surround consisting of fluted pilasters, sidelights, transom, and frieze cornice. The windows have simple flush wooden trim. A rear shed roof wing has frieze windows and small six-over-six double-hung sash windows.

In the early twentieth century, wings were added to both sides of the house. On the south, a one-story, one-bay gable roof wing was built. On the north, a two-story, two-bay flat roof wing with an enclosed second floor porch was added. The wings have six-over-six double-hung sash windows with simple wood trim.

20. The Wiggins-Rolph House is architecturally significant as a distinctive and conspicuous example of mid-nineteenth century domestic architecture in Huntington which retains settlement period architectural characteristics. Built in 1848, the residence is one of the last examples of its style to be built in Huntington and, as such, represents the strong, ongoing influence of the local building tradition on Huntington's nineteenth-century residential architecture. Despite its mid-nineteenth century date, the Wiggins-Rolph House exhibits many of the architectural characteristics commonly associated with settlement period buildings of the seventeenth, eighteenth, and early nineteenth centuries including timber-framing, shingle sheathing, a Greek Revival style door surround, interior end chimneys, multi-pane sash and an overall lack of decorative detail. In addition, the residence retains a circa 1750 wing incorporated as a rear ell. The residence served as the home of several people prominent in local history and the nineteenth and twentieth century development of the Huntington community.

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20. The locally prominent Judge Moses Rolph built the present house in 1848, incorporating the earlier eighteenth-century dwelling of Dr. Daniel Wiggins in the rear ell. Dr. Wiggins practiced in his home from circa 1750 until his death in 1805. He isolated smallpox patients in an outbuilding to the rear of the house (demolished in early nineteenth century). Hallock Wiggins, a shoemaker, later sold it to Judge Rolph. By 1860, Rufus Prime owned the dwelling and bequeathed it to his daughter Cornelia Prime, who lived on the property until 1923. A member of the locally prominent and wealthy Prime family, Cornelia was known as the "town philanthropist" donating property and funding for Huntington Hospital, the Sewing and Trade School (included in the Old Town Hall Historic District) and the clock tower on the town hall (also included in the Old Town Hall Historic District).

The Wiggins-Rolph House remains architecturally significant as a distinctive example of mid-nineteenth century domestic architecture in the town and historically significant for its association with various locally prominent families.

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 Huntington Town MRA

State NEW YORK

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

71. Whitman, Joseph, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byrum 9/26/85

Attest

72. Whitman, Walt, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byrum 9/26/85

Attest

73. Whitman--Place House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

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74. Wiggins--Rolph House

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75. Williams, Henry, House

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76. Wood, Harry, House

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77. Wood, John, House

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78. Wood, William, Wooden, House

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National Register

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Delores Byrum 9/26/85

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79. Woodhull, Charles, House

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Paul Van Donge 9/26/85

Attest

80. Brush, George W., House

Determined Eligible
DOE/OWNER OBJECTION
Substantive Review

for Keeper

Paul Van Donge 9/26/85

Attest

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REF #
85002551

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Wiggins--Rolph House (Huntington Town MRA)
Suffolk County
NEW YORK

Working No. AUG 16 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86
Date Due: 9/12/85 9/30/85
Action: ACCEPT 9-26-85
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ 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

- excellent deteriorated
- good ruins
- fair unexposed

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas 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

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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: _____

HUNTINGTON TOWN MULTIPLE
RESOURCE AREA
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK
PHOTOS: A.O'BRIEN, 1984
NEGATIVES: OPRHP
WIGGINS-ROLPH HOUSE
518 PARK AVENUE
HUNTINGTON



View from west



View from east

Huntington Town MRA
 Suffolk County, New York
 Wiggins-Rolph
 518 Park Avenue
 Huntington
 400-97-3-14



MATCH 7 LINE
 FOR PARCEL NO.
 SEE SEC 073 01 021

MATCH 8 LINE
 FOR PARCEL NO.
 SEE SEC 073 01 041

UNLESS DRAWN OTHERWISE, ALL PROPERTIES ARE WITHIN THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS

SCHOOL	3	SEWER	50
FIRE	15, 18	HYDRANT	
LIGHT	20	WATER	
PARK		REFUSE	33

Legend

County Line	-----	Fire District Line	F-----	Hydrant District Line	H-----	Subdivision Lot No.	(36)
Town Line	-----	Water District Line	W-----	Refuse District Line	R-----	Dead Dimension	47
Village Line	-----	Light District Line	L-----	Black No.	(1)	Scaled Dimension	67.5
Block Line	-----	Park District Line	P-----	Parcel No.	(2)	Dead Area	124(1)
School District Line	-----	Sewer District Line	S-----	Subdivision Block No.	(23)	Calculated Area	124(1)

KEY MAP

072	073	076
096	097	102
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 Real Property Tax Service Agency
 County Center
 Riverhead, L. I., New York

TOWN OF HUNTINGTON
 VILLAGE OF
 DISTRICT NO. 0400

SECTION NO
097
 PROPERTY MAP

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Suffolk Co., NY
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Huntington
Huntington Quad, # 35
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