

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Wheelock Law Office

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

135 North Main Street

___ NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Barre City

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Vermont

STATE

Vermont

CODE

50

COUNTY

Washington

CODE

023

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Wheelock House, Ltd. (Evo Lucchina, Trustee)

STREET & NUMBER

135 North Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Barre City

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Vermont

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the City Clerk, Barre City

STREET & NUMBER

Barre City Hall

CITY, TOWN

Barre City

STATE

Vermont

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Vermont Historic Sites and Structures Survey

DATE

1975

___ FEDERAL STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

CITY, TOWN

Montpelier

STATE

Vermont

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Wedged on a narrow lot approximately 26½ feet wide between the three-story Worthen Building to the east and the one-story J.J. Newbury store to the west, the former Wheelock Law Office is located on the north side of North Main Street with its main (south) elevation oriented toward the street. The building originally was square in plan, measuring approximately 21½ feet across each elevation, but presently (1975) masks a flat-roofed, one-story rear addition of brick, load bearing construction on a reinforced concrete foundation. The original interior of the building has been completely altered through continuous remodelling.

A one-story building with a belcast, slate-covered, mansard roof and a slender, mansard-roofed, two-story entrance tower on the east corner of the main elevation, the building is of brick, load bearing construction laid in common stretcher bond and sits on a rubblestone foundation with cut granite blocks above grade. The entrance tower measures approximately 6½ feet square and projects out from the wall surface of the main elevation approximately 1½ feet.

The belcast of the mansard roof on both the main block of the building and the tower projects out from the wall surface on each elevation (the rear elevation has been covered by the rear addition) approximately 1½ feet and is supported by an elaborate, wood modillion cornice. The cornice is broken across the main elevation by a segmental arch on the main block and by a gable arch on the tower. Around the tower between the first and second story the cornice on the main block flattens out into a decorative band of punched-out circles. The mansard on the main block is punctuated by two gable dormers on either side of a bull's eye dormer across the main elevation and by two gable dormers on the west and north elevations. Each elevation of the tower mansard is punctuated by a bull's eye.

The main tower entrance is a round-arched opening and originally had a wood hood broken by a segmental arch and was supported by elaborate brackets. The second-story windows on the tower's main and east elevations are also round-arched with projecting, wood hood moldings. Originally, a pair of slender, round-arched windows with one slightly shorter round-arched window flanking either side illuminated the first story across the main elevation. These were replaced in circa 1925 by the present (1975) plate glass display window which runs the length of the elevation to the tower and projects out from the wall surface approximately 2½ feet. The original windows also had projecting wood hood moldings with finialed cresting as did the other windows, dormers, and the hood above the tower entrance.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1871

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Wheelock Law Office is significant as an excellent example of French Second Empire style domestic architecture. The building was erected in 1871 by Langdon C. Wheelock, a reknowned Barre lawyer, for use as a law office and courtroom. When built, the building was adjacent to Wheelock's house, a brick Federal style residence erected in 1825 by Newell Kinsman, also a reknowned Barre lawyer. Wheelock studied law with Kinsman and in 1856 bought his law practice, law office, and house. Following Wheelock's death in 1873, the building was occupied by the Granite Savings Bank and Trust Company and later by the Barre Electric Company.

Equally significant, the Wheelock Law Office is the only surviving domestically-scaled building on this end of North Main Street. Throughout most of the nineteenth century North Main Street was a tree-lined thoroughfare flanked on either side by imposing residences. In the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries a large scale industrial boom, brought about by a rapidly developing granite industry, accelerated the city's commercial growth and resulted in the demolition of most of the residences on this end of North Main Street to accommodate the city's need for more commercial facilities. Wedged on a narrow lot between commercial buildings, the Wheelock Law Office is an important visual reminder of North Main Street's pre-commercial, nineteenth century domestic scale.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Historical Souvenir of Barre. Barre, Vermont; Nickerson and Cox, Publishers: 1894.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY One *OK ac/HM*

UTM REFERENCES

A	1 8	6 9 9	5 0 0	4 8 9 6	7 5 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	NORTHING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C						D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Courtney Fisher, Historic Preservation Specialist

ORGANIZATION

Vermont Division For Historic Preservation

DATE

May 19, 1975

STREET & NUMBER

Pavilion Building

TELEPHONE

802 828-3226

CITY OR TOWN

Montpelier

STATE

Vermont

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

William B. Pinney

William B. Pinney

TITLE Director/State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE June 2, 1975

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

A. R. Morfey

DATE

6/18/75

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

JUN 17 1975

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Property Wheelock Law Office

~~Chittenden~~

State Vermont

Working Number 6. 10. 75. 1069

Washington

TECHNICAL

Photos 2

Maps 1

CONTROL

OK CM
6.11.75

It can certainly use a grant

HISTORIAN

Accept
W.R. Luce
6/12/75

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Despite alterations, a marvelous site.
Accept *H. J. J. J.*
6/16/75

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Cole
6.17.75

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

[Signature]
JUN 17 1975

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 8-5-75

Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

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INT:2106-74



NEWBERRYS

CTTC

Antiques
ALAN SLOAN

Barre
Senior
Citizens
Incorporated

STOP PUBLIC HEALTH
NOTICE
W D GEAKE
BARBER SHOP

VERMONT DIVISION OF HISTORIC SITES

COUNTY WASHINGTON TOWN BARRE

SUBJECT WHEELOCK LAW OFFICE

DATE 5/75 FILE # _____

CREDIT C. FISHER

VIEW M.E.

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Barre City

____ VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Washington

STATE

Vermont

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT

Courtney Fisher

NEGATIVE FILED AT

Vermont Division For Historic Preservation

DATE OF PHOTO

May 1975

4 IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

PHOTO NO. 1

View looking northeast across North Main Street at main (southwest) elevation of Wheelock Law Office. J.J. Newbury's store is on left, Whelan Block is on right.

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VERMONT DIVISION OF HISTORIC SITES

COUNTY WASHINGTON TOWN BARRE

SUBJECT WHEELOCK HOUSE & LAW OFFICE

DATE _____ FILE # _____

CREDIT Photocopy

VIEW _____

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Barre City

___ VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Washington

STATE

Vermont

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT Photocopy of circa 1890

DATE OF PHOTO

photograph in possession of Barre Historical Society

NEGATIVE FILED AT

4 IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT. GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

PHOTO NO. 2

View looking northeast across North Main Street at Wheelock House
(demolished in 1946) on left and Wheelock Law Office on right.

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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COUNTY

Washington

STATE

Vermont

3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE U.S.G.S. Quadrangle, 15" Series, Barre, Vermont

SCALE 1:62500

DATE 1957

4 REQUIREMENTS

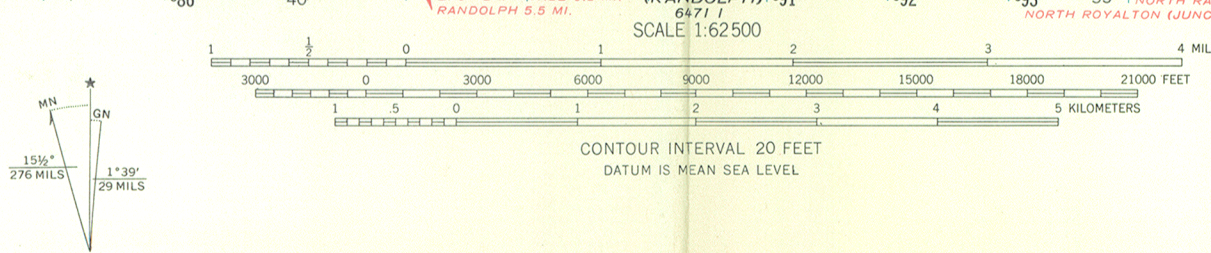
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES

Wheelock Law Office
 Barre City, Vermont
 UTM Reference:
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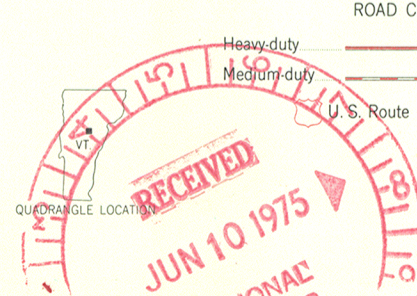


Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
 Control by USGS and USC&GS
 Topography by planetable surveys 1922. Revised 1957
 Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
 10,000-foot grid based on Vermont coordinate system
 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
 zone 18, shown in blue
 Red tint indicates area in which only
 landmark buildings are shown



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy duty	Light duty
Medium duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route



BARRE, VT.
 N4400-W7230/15
 1957

WILLIAM B. PINNEY
DIRECTOR



STATE OF VERMONT
AGENCY OF DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION
MONTPELIER, VERMONT 05602
(802) 828-3226

June 2, 1975



Dr. William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
The National Register of Historic Places
Department of the Interior
National Park Service
18th and C Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

Enclosed please find National Register nomination forms
for the following properties:

- ✓ Wheelock Law Office, Washington County, Vermont
St. Johnsbury Main Street Historic District,
Caledonia County, Vermont (amendment to
nomination submitted March 31, 1975 and
included on the National Register on
May 28, 1975)

These properties are being submitted under the Historic
Preservation Act of 1966 for inclusion on the National
Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

William B. Pinney
William B. Pinney
Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

WBP:md

enclosures

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE VERMONT

Date Entered JUN 18 1975

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Wheelock Law Office	Barre City Washington County

Also Notified

**Hon. Robert T. Stafford
Hon. Patrick J. Leahy
Hon. James M. Jeffords
Regional Director, North Atlantic
Region**

**State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. William B. Pinney
Director
Vermont Division of Historic Sites
Pavilion Building
Montpelier, Vermont 05602**

PR MMott/row 6/20/75

MST

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

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① NAME as it appears on federal register: Wheelock Law Office ② OTHER NAMES: _____ ③ date of entry: 6-18-75 ④ county code: 023

⑤ LOCATION street & number: 135 N. Main St. city / town: Barre City vicinity of: _____ state: VT county: Washington ⑥ NPS REGION: N-Atlantic

⑦ OWNER: PRIVATE STATE MUNICIPAL COUNTY MULTIPLE FEDERAL (agency name) ⑧ ADMINISTRATOR: _____

⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS: HABS HAER NHL ⑩ FUNDED? YES NO ⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT: _____ ⑫ SOURCE of NOMINATION: STATE FEDERAL

⑬ NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES, NAME: _____ ⑭ WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES, NAME: _____ ⑮ ACREAGE: 1 if state who prepared form? Courtney Fisher LOCAL PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

⑯ CONDITION: deteriorated altered original site ⑰ features: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3
 excellent ruins unaltered moved
 good unexposed reconstructed unknown
 fair unexcavated excavated
INTERIOR: NOT INTACT-0 EXTERIOR: NOT INTACT-0
 UNKNOWN-4 UNKNOWN-5
 NOT APPLICABLE-7 NOT APPLICABLE-8
ENVIRONS: NOT INTACT-0
 UNKNOWN-6
 NOT APPLICABLE-9

⑱ ACCESS: YES - Restricted YES - Unrestricted No Access Unknown ⑲ ADAPTIVE USE: YES NO ⑳ SAVED? YES NO IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? yes no

㉑ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ㉒ CLAIMS: explain
 ARCHAEOLOGY - prehistoric-2 ENGINEERING - 11 LANDSCAPE ARCH. - 15 POLITICS / GOVT. - 21 RECREATION - 28 'first'
 ARCHAEOLOGY - historic-1 COMMERCE - 6 ENTERTAINMENT - 26 LAW - 16 RELIGION - 22 SETTLEMENT - 29 'oldest'
 AGRICULTURE - 3 COMMUNICATIONS - 7 EXPLORATION - 12 LITERATURE - 17 SCIENCE - 23 URBAN PLANNING - 31 'only'
 ARCHITECTURE - 4 CONSERVATION - 8 HEALTH - 27 MILITARY - 18 SOCIAL / HUMANITARIAN - 24 OTHER (SPECIFY) _____
 ART - 5 ECONOMICS - 9 INDUSTRY - 13 MUSIC - 19 SOCIAL / CULTURAL - 30 _____
 EDUCATION - 10 INVENTION - 14 PHILOSOPHY - 20 TRANSPORTATION - 25 _____

㉓ functions: WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: Business Office ㉔ dates of initial construction: 1871 ㉕ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION: _____
CURRENTLY: Commercial Store major alterations: continuous 1925 windows changed
historic events: 1975 rear addition

㉖ architectural style(s): Second Empire ㉗ architect: _____ ㉘ master builder: _____ ㉙ engineer: _____

㉚ landscape architect / garden designer: _____ ㉛ interior decorator: _____ ㉜ artist: _____ ㉝ artisan: _____ ㉞ builder / contractor: _____

㉟ NAMES give role & date
PERSONAL: Langdon C. Wheelock, known area lawyer, built this building 1871
EVENTS: Harriet Kinsman ~~was also lawyer, trained under Wheelock and purchased~~ 1866
INSTITUTIONAL: _____

㊱ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP: Brick, 1 1/2 stories, modified rectangle, mansard roof with simple gabled dormers, ogee and gabled dormers; ~~decorative~~ bracketed cornice; 2-story ~~square~~ tower with round-arched entrance and window and decorative beltcourse, bracketed cornice, ~~and mansard roof~~; flanking plate-glass display window; exterior ornament, stripped; interior ~~completely altered through continuous remodeling~~; original windows replaced with current storefronts, 1925; rear ~~brick~~ brick extension, 1975. Second Empire. ~~City building, originally constructed by Langdon C. Wheelock for his law office~~ Built by Langdon C. Wheelock, ~~renowned~~ ^{city} lawyer; single ~~brick~~ remainder of earlier ~~residential~~ ^{residential} domestic scale, current commercial and industrial environs.