

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
 HIST-6 NEW 5/77

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR, SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)		JOHN BUCHANAN HOUSE		
	2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY		
	THOMPSON	QUADDICK	WINDHAM		
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION		
	1739 QUADDICK TOWN FARM ROAD (988 QUADDICK T.F.R.D.)		c. 1840		
	4. OWNER(S)		5. USE (Present) (Historic)		
	MOSSY, DAVID G., P.O. BOX 666, BALTIC, CT 06330		Residence Residence		
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:		EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION		
Greek Revival		c. 1840			
DESCRIPTION	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)				
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimney Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	Foundation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type:		
	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM				
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)				
	10. ROOF (Type)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth		
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		
(Material)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate <input type="checkbox"/> Gable end to the street		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ridge parallel to the street		
11. NUMBER OF STORIES		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS			
1 1/2		32' x 24'			
12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated		
13. INTEGRITY (Location)		WHEN?	(Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No c 1915 porch, all new clapboards		
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES					
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden			
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT					
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site		
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial	<input type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High building density		
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS					
An isolated older house in a rural suburban neighborhood.					

(OVER)

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough		DATE 1986
	VIEW NW	NEGATIVE ON FILE L26	
COMPILED BY	NAME Mark McDonough		DATE 1986
	ORGANIZATION Town of Thompson, Connecticut		
	ADDRESS		



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

Five-bay facade, central entry. Sash generally 2-over-2. Entry has rectangular sidelights over panels, flanked by plain pilasters. Above, molded architrave, plain cornice, flat molded cap. Door has one large light over deeply molded panels.

Plain corner pilasters with molded capitals, molded architrave, wide plain frieze; molded cornice shows partial return. Right elevation has side entry in c. 1915 open porch on Tuscan columns with a square rail and balusters. To left, lower one-and-one-half-story ell with additional entry.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

John Buchanan built this house (or perhaps remodelled it from an earlier dwelling) after buying the property in 1838. Buchanan, a farmer born in Rhode Island, married Jane Eddy in 1830. He died in 1887 at the age of 80.

Architecturally, the Buchanan House is significant as one of Thompson's better Greek Revival farm houses. The Greek Revival style, most popular between about 1835 and 1855, was America's first truly national architectural movement, and the first style to cut across nearly all social and functional categories. The Buchanan House's trabeated entry, corner pilasters, and prominent architrave, frieze, and cornice were all intended to suggest the construction and formal entablatures of a classical Greek temple. The doors and 2-over-2 sash are of later origin.

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SOURCES

Thompson Land Records 14:245 (1838)
Thompson Vital Statistics

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Explanation _____