

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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57/65/19/11

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

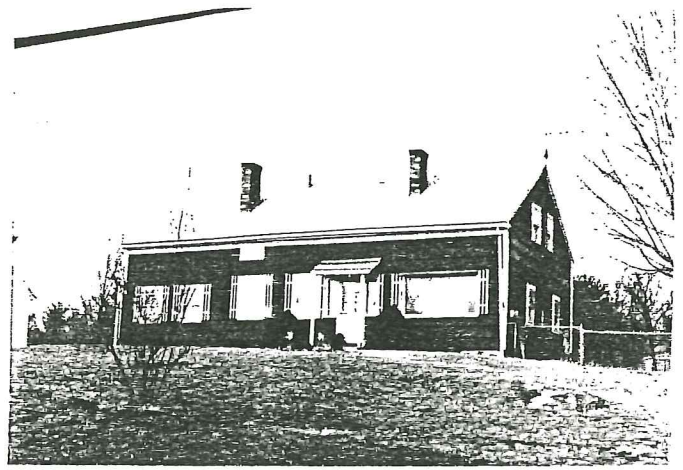
1. BUILDING NAME (Common)	(Historic)		
	WILSONVILLE MILL HOUSING		
2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
THOMPSON	WILSONVILLE	WINDHAM	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)			
287 ROUTE 12	(1400 RIVERSIDE DR.)		57/65-19
4. OWNER(S)	Box 14500		
SIMONDS, PAUL K., 4300 S. Semoran, Suite 566, Orlando, Florida 32857	<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
5. USE (Present)	(Historic)		
Residence	Residence		
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD	INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE	IF YES, EXPLAIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING	DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
Mill Housing	c. 1865	
8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input checked="" 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	48' X 26'	
12. CONDITION (Structural)	(Exterior)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" 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 extensive; See #17
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES		
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input checked="" 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		
Across Route 12 from the Wilsonville Mill, just north of a less altered mill house.		

(OVER)

PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER Mark McDonough		DATE 1986
	VIEW NW	NEGATIVE ON FILE F8	
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)

Six-bay facade, entry in fifth bay beneath simple hood, picture window in sixth. Small frieze-band window in third bay. All visible fabric save fieldstone foundation is of recent date.

18 ARCHITECTY

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This small millworker's house is historically significant for its connection with the nearby Wilsonville woolen mill, located just to the northeast. After a complex early history involving several business failures, control of the mills was assumed in 1879 by Lawrence Keegan. Members of the Keegan family were involved in operating the mills well into the 20th-century.

This house remained associated with the mill until the late 1970's when it was owned by millowners Katsy and Idamae Simonds. It is difficult to say which of the mill's many 19th-century owners built this house and a very similar adjacent house to the southwest.

Architecturally, it is significant as a typical (albeit) highly-altered example of mid 19th-century mill housing.

SOURCES

Bayles, History of Windham County, p. 700

Thompson Land Records 63:380 (1953)

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Explanation _____