

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 D. CONVIS FARM	
	2. TOWN CITY		VILLAGE	COUNTY
	THOMPSON		THOMPSON	WINDHAM
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)			
	204 ROBBINS ROAD		(129 ROBBINS RD.)	
	4. OWNER(S)			
	BARRETTE, BERNARD J. & LUCILLE, RR2, THOMPSON, CT 06277		<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
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	IF YES, EXPLAIN
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
	Vernacular		c. 1800	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimneys	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone		
<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone		
<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 checked="" 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 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		
2 1/2		38' x 28'		
12. CONDITION (Structural) (Historic)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	
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13. INTEGRITY (Location)		WHEN?	(Alterations)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
IF YES, EXPLAIN				
New clapboard, entry, etc.				
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)	
Various agricultural outbuildings				
<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 type="checkbox"/> Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No scattered buildings visible from site	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> High building density	

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS
 In a rural part of southern Thompson.

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	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 recent 12-over-12. Beaded clapboards. Large twin brick chimneys. Entry is modern reproduction: double paneled doors with panes at top, fluted pilasters have capitals with applied plant decorations, denticular cap with central transom medallion resembling additional capital.

Molded cornice on small curved brackets shows partial return. Side elevations relatively plain.

18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
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19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

John D. Convis (also known as Converse, Convers, etc.) was an early occupant of this extensively remodelled house. Convis, a farmer, lived here by 1826 and remained on the property until his death at the age of 93 in 1867. His son Alfred occupied the house after Convis' death; it remained in the family until 1898.

Historically , the Convis house is significant for its connection with the Convis family, a large and prominent clan in 19th century Thompson.

Architecturally, it is much altered by recent remodelling.

SOURCES

1855 Atlas
1867 Atlas
Thompson Land Records 9:323 (1826); 18:7 (1847)
Thompson Vital Statistics

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Explanation _____