

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

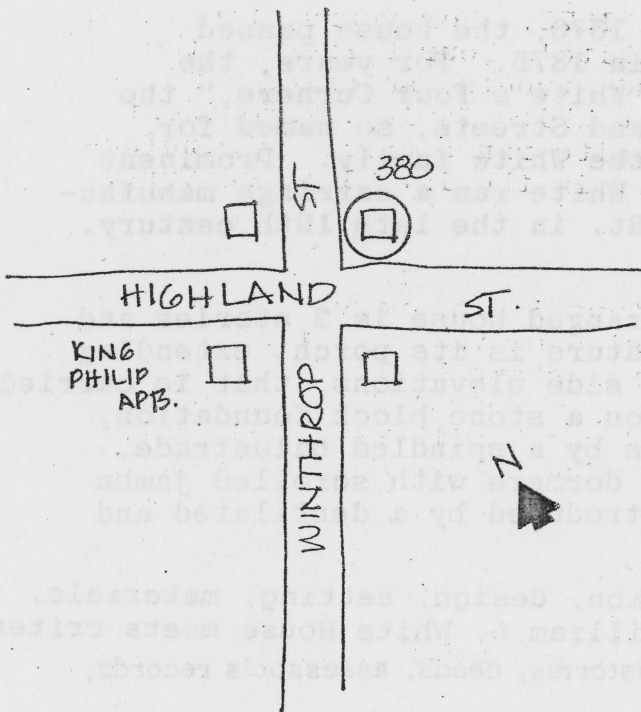
In Area no.	Form no. 380
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1. Town Taunton  
 Address 242 Winthrop St.  
 Name William L. White, Jr. House  
 Present use Residence  
 Present owner Barbara Chandler

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")  
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 Photo number \_\_\_\_\_

3. Description:  
 Date 1873  
 Source Inscription on Door  
 Style Second Empire  
 Architect UNKNOWN  
 Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
 Outbuildings (describe) None  
 Other features See attached.

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location  
 in relation to nearest cross streets and  
 other buildings. Indicate north.



Altered Colonial Revival Date c. 1910  
~~Porch added~~  
 Moved No Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Lot size: WARD-01 <sup>PLAN-17</sup> BLK-40 - LOT-15  
 One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage 219'  
 Approximate distance of building from street  
50'  
 6. Recorded by T.W.  
 Organization T.C.H.S.  
 Date 10/4/79

(over)

UTM: 19/324510/4639530

7. Original owner (if known) William L. White  
 Original use Residence  
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates N/A

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
✓ Commerce	<u>x</u>	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
✓ Community development	<u>x</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

242 Winthrop St. is one of the largest and most elaborate examples of the Mansard style in the city. Among its period features are a belcast Mansard roof retaining patterned slates, and an ornate Palladian-type window with stained glass panes on its southern elevation.

Built for William L. White in 1873, the house passed to his son, William L. White, Jr. in 1875. For years, the structure was a local landmark in "White's Four Corners," the intersection of Winthrop and Highland Streets, so named for its other residences belonging to the White family. Prominent in the Taunton business community, White ran a carriage manufactory (Peck & White) at 21-29 Weir St. in the late 19th century.

Description: The asymmetrically-arranged house is 2 stories and has a Mansard roof. A dominant feature is its porch, extending over the facade and a part of both side elevations, that is carried on grouped Tuscan columns mounted on a stone block foundation, that is broken at regular intervals by a spindled balustrade. The patterned slate roof is lit by dormers with scrolled jambs and segmental pediments, and is introduced by a dentilated and bracketed cornice.

Possessing integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and association, The William L. White House meets criteria

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Carolyn Owen, Notes on #242 Winthrop St., Vertical File #78, Old Colony Historical Society.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community:

Taunton

Form No:

380

Property Name: William White House

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

Historical significance (cont.)

A and C of the National Register of Historic Places as an example of the fashionable houses constructed by Taunton industrialists during the city's era of greatest prosperity.

*Boundaries conform to current lot lines.*

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

White, William L. Jr., House (Taunton MRA)  
Bristol County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. MAY 21 1984  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.5.85  
Date Due: 6-21-84 / 7-5-84  
Action:  ACCEPT 7-5-84  
 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 Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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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	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair		
<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated		
<input type="checkbox"/> ruins		
<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage 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: \_\_\_\_\_



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Taunton NRA, Ma

MAY 1980

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by Berkey

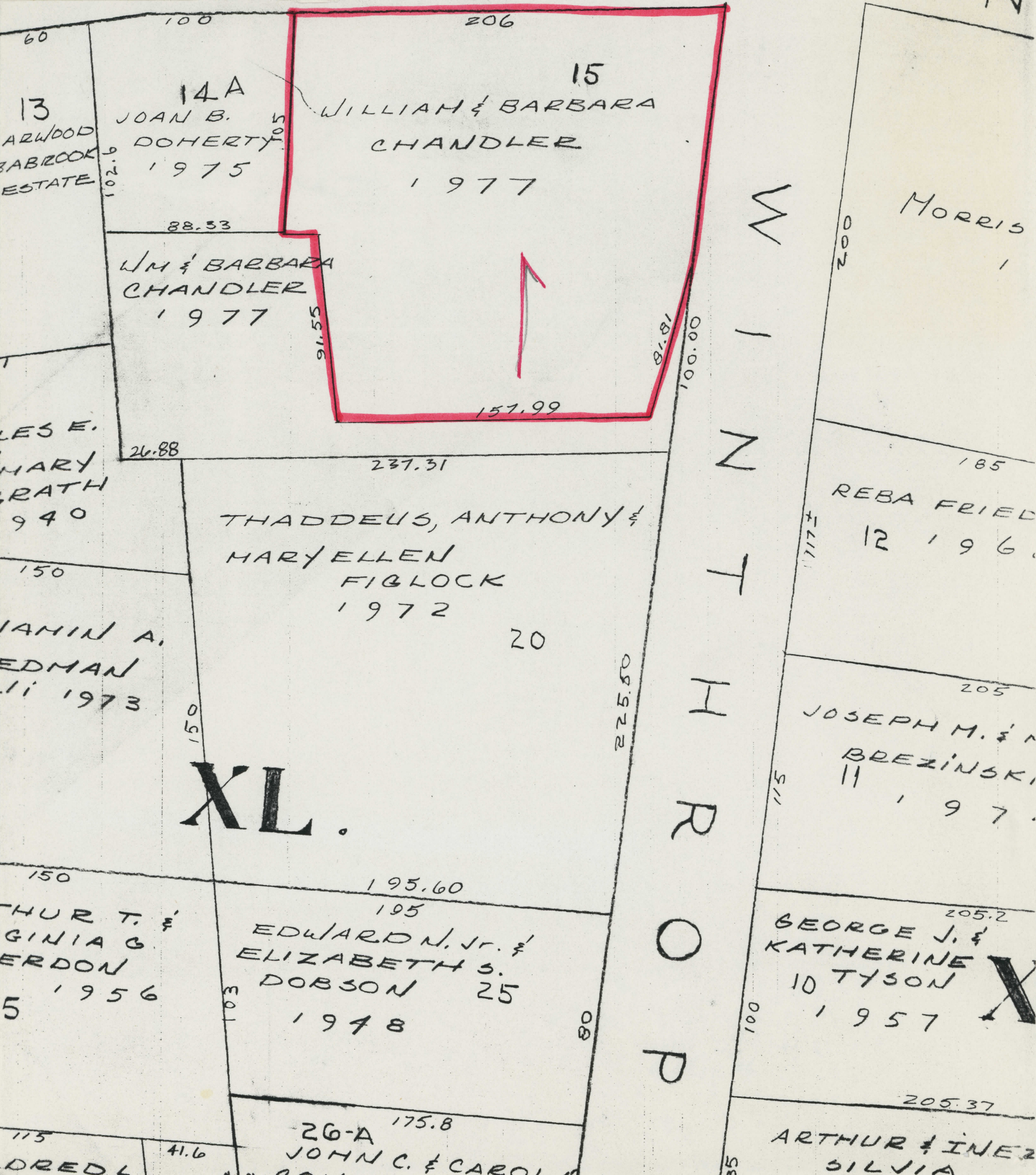
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TAUNTON MULTIPLE RESOURCE  
NOMINATION  
FORM NO. 380  
WILLIAM L. WHITE, JR.  
SCALE: 1" = 60'  
MAP NO. WDL, Pg. 17, Lot 15  
ACREAGE .77

I G H L A N



Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000297