

FORM B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
	CH-140

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 80 BOYLSTON STREET
 BOSTON, MA 02116

Town Newton, Mass. M.R.A.
 NEWTON (Chestnut Hill)

Address 152 Suffolk Road

Historic Name none

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date 1900

Source Engineering Dept. Water Records

Style Spanish Colonial Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric stucco

Outbuildings carriage house

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition Very Good

Moved no Date _____

Acreage 69,729 sq. ft. (1.6 acres)

Setting Suburban residential along winding road.

Recorded by Arch. Pres. Associates

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

Date 5/83; rev. by H. White 3/86

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

SEE ATTACHED MAP

UTM REFERENCE 19.321000.4688330

USGS QUADRANGLE Newton, Mass.

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The house at 157 Suffolk Road is one of few local examples of the Mediterranean manner of the Colonial Revival style and therefore meets Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

During the early years of the twentieth century, the Georgian and Medieval Revivals were joined by several other styles, including the Mediterranean manner. In Newton houses of this type occur in limited numbers, and its differences from the principal revivals are not profound. Tile-roofed Mediterranean dwellings such as the house at 157 Suffolk Road, with its loggia and stucco walls appear to have been considered too exotic to have been built in large numbers.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

Until 1850 this area of Chestnut Hill was devoted to the market gardens of the Kingsbury, Woodman, Hammond and Stone families. In 1850 the area received a number of newcomers who were members of several affluent old Boston families. They established large estates for use as summer homes. By the end of the nineteenth century, the Hammond Street area's proximity to the commuter railroad station at Chestnut Hill made it a sought-after place of residence for wealthy Boston commuters, such as Clement S. Houghton, who owned this house in 1907.

The land on which this house was built was owned by the Lee family. During the 1820s a sea captain named John Lee bought 163 acres of the land originally settled by Thomas Hammond in 1650. Lee died in 1845, and by 1854 his heirs Thomas Lee and John Lee began plans for a community that would eventually become known as Chestnut Hill.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Continuation sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. Gunderson, Jos ., House

Entered in the *for* Keeper
National Register

Attest

Delores Byers 9/4/86

52. Harbach, John, House

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National Register

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53. Harding House--Walker
Missionary Home

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National Register

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54. Haskell, Charles, House

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National Register

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55. House at 1008 Beacon St.

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56. House at 102 Staniford Street

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57. House at 107 Waban Hill Road

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National Register

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58. House at 115--117 Jewett
Street

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59. House at 15 Davis Avenue

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60. House at 152 Suffolk Road

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

House at 152 Suffolk Road (Newton MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. JUL 23 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 8/21/86 - 9/6/86
Action: ACCEPT 9-4-86
 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	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

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"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

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

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: _____



House cut

152 Suffolk Rd,
Chestnut Hill

Suffolk

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NEWELL, Mass. MRA

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City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet 109
Metric Series. 1979
Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.
152 Suffolk Road, Chestnut Hill
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