

ADSIT COURT / LAFAYETTE PLACE

Pearl Street was and remains the main route to central Burlington due to its gradual incline from the waterfront to the college green, its link with Burlington's commercial area (Church Street) and municipal district (Courthouse Square), and its connection with the Winooski Turnpike (Colchester Avenue) to points east. Architectural development along Pearl Street follow the turnpike route, but as the city prospered so did the development of land north and south of Pearl Street. Private lots of land were divided into individual parcels, connected by small blocks and dead-end roads. Two such off-shoot neighborhoods were Lafayette Place and Adsit Court.

Clark C. Briggs, a lawyer and resident of South Union Street, is supposed to have used a path across Lafayette Place, to get to his office on Clark Street. It is believed that he encouraged the development of this quiet dead-end road off the middle of Pearl Street.

The numerous Vernacular-Queen Anne style structures were built sometime during the 1880's to 1890's ending with the Lafayette Apartments as the last construction on the street c.1910.

Proceeding east up Pearl Street and around the corner from North Willard Street is another street that answer Burlington's need for housing at the turn of the century: Adsit Court, developed on the Adsit family's property. Four Craftsman style homes with similar plans but slight individual variations, were built in 1909. During 1930-1950 Colonial Revival style houses were built eastward on the street, reaching a dead-end.

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HISTORIC SITES & STRUCTURES SURVEY
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER:

0402

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

83-A-112

UTM REFERENCES:

Zone/Easting/Northing
 18/642680/4926700

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

Burlington 7.5

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

William Cassella House

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

Milo H. Riddell House

PRESENT USE: House

ORIGINAL USE: House

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

Unknown

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

Unknown

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent Good

Fair Poor

STYLE: Vernacular - Craftsman

DATE BUILT:

c.1910

COUNTY: Chittenden

TOWN: Burlington

LOCATION: 14 Adsit Court. One lot east
 from corner of North Willard Street

COMMON NAME:

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: House

OWNER: William Cassella

ADDRESS: 14 Adsit Court

Burlington

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes No Restricted

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local State National

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone Brick Concrete Concrete Block
2. Wall Structure
 - a. Wood Frame: Post & Beam Balloon
 - b. Load Bearing Masonry: Brick Stone Concrete Concrete Block
 - c. Iron d. Steel e. Other:
3. Wall Covering: Clapboard Board & Batten Wood Shingle Shiplap Novelty Asbestos Shingle Sheet Metal Aluminum Asphalt Shingle Brick Veneer Stone Veneer Bonding Pattern: Other:
4. Roof Structure
 - a. Truss: Wood Iron Steel Concrete
 - b. Other:
5. Roof Covering: Slate Wood Shingle Asphalt Shingle Sheet Metal Built Up Rolled Tile Other:
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other:

Appendages: Porches Towers Cupolas Dormers Chimney Sheds Ells Wings Bay Window Other:

Roof Style: Gable Hip Shed Flat Mansard Gambrel Jerkinhead Saw Tooth With Monitor With Bellcast With Parapet With False Front Other:

Number of Stories: 2½

Number of Bays: 5x3

Approximate Dimensions: 20x20

Entrance Location: Eaves front
 right.

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat Zoning Roads Development Deterioration Alteration Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive Negative Mixed Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

2½ story, eaves front house with 2nd story wall dormer. Brick first story dominated by block wood shingled second story with flaired shingle course line and exposed joist ends. *Center gable wall dormer with raking eaves and exposed rafter tails; single fixed window in peak. Steeply pitched gabled front entry porch with applied stichwork in peak, square posts and diagonal board railing. Paired and single 1/1 sash windows with plain surrounds; second story windows close to eaves. Front raised panel door. Rear entry porch.

*Exposed rafter tails and knee braces in gable ends.

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

Single bay, clapboard garage with hip asphalt roof; overhead replacement door.

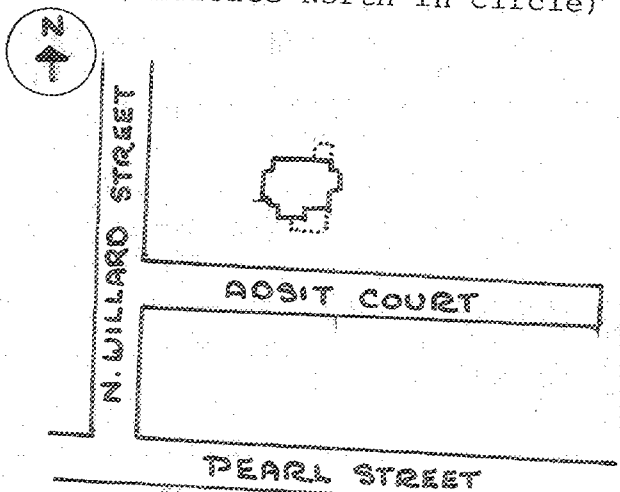
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This well-preserved Craftsman style house is one of four built on Adsit Court. Each house has some individual features distinguishing from its neighbors. In this case, the projecting porch are unique on the street. Though altered with a contemporary overhead door, the garage is the only original one of the 4 houses.

REFERENCES:

Burlington Directory, 1909

MAP: (Indicate North in Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Land Woodland
Scattered Buildings
Moderately Built Up
Densely Built Up
Residential Commercial
Agricultural Industrial
Roadside Strip Development
Other:

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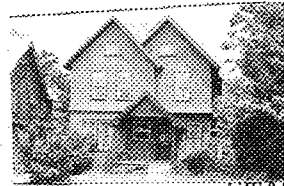
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PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

William Dame House

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

Carl H. Carroll House

PRESENT USE: House

ORIGINAL USE: House

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

Unknown

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

Unknown

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent Good

Fair Poor

STYLE: Vernacular-Craftsman

DATE BUILT:

1909

COUNTY: Chittenden

TOWN: Burlington

LOCATION: 18 Adsit Court. Two lots
 east from the corner of North Willard
 Street

COMMON NAME:

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: House

OWNER: William & Paula Dame

ADDRESS: 18 Adsit Court

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ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes No Restricted

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

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With Parapet With False Front Other:

Number of Stories: 2½

Number of Bays: 4x3

Approximate Dimensions: 20x20

Entrance Location: Gable front right.

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat Zoning Roads
Development Deterioration
Alteration Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive Negative
Mixed Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

2½ story overlapping double gable facade with first story brick and dominant second story block wood shingle with flaired course line and exposed joists on fascia board dividing stories. Raking eaves with exposed rafter and geometric relief narrow verge boards. Opposite side gables. 6/1 sash windows with plain surrounds; splayed brick lintels on first story. Single fixed attic windows in front gable peaks. Gabled front entry porch with steeply pitched roof, exposed rafter tails, stickwork on vertical boards in gable peak, square posts and diagonal stick railing. Front door half small panes, half raised panels. West side first story rectangular bay window with bracket supports. Rear enclosed gabled porch.

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

Gable end aluminum sided garage (c.1980) replaced original.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Of four Craftsman style Vernacular houses built on Adsit Court, this house and the one next door (14 Adsit Ct) are the best preserved examples of a style rare in Burlington. They were the first house on the street, developed by the Adsit family. Later Colonial Revival structures were built 1960. The original garage was removed (c.1980) due to age and poor condition.

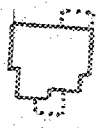
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N. WILLARD STREET



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