

# FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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## Photograph



## Topographic or Assessor's Map

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**Town:** Dartmouth

**Place:** Potomska Point

**Address:** 254 Potomska Road

**Historic Name:** Sam'l W. Hawes (1856)

**Uses: Present:** single family home

**Original:** same

**Date of Construction:** ca. 1785 (1785 in Tax Database)

**Source:** stylistic, Tax Assessor

**Style/Form:** Georgian

**Architect/Builder:**

**Exterior Material:**

Foundation: not visible

Wall/Trim: wood shingles

Roof: asphalt shingle

**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:**

No

**Major Alterations (with dates):**

two wing additions, ca. 20<sup>th</sup> century

**Condition:** Good

**Moved:** no | X | yes | | **Date**

**Acreage:** 4.38

**Setting:** rural residential ocean shoreline; private gated area with restricted access

**Recorded by:** Richard M. Casella

**Organization:** Historic Documentation Co., Inc.

**Date:** 2008

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\_\_\_ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.  
*If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:**

This large 2-story center-chimney Georgian-period Colonial is located within a private compound with strict no-trespassing signs and could be visually and photographically accessed only from a distance. The house is 8-bays wide under a continuous side-gable roof and entirely shingled. The five bay wide section on the left is assumed to be the original house; the 3-bays on the right constitute a later extension, possibly made within a few decades of the original. The centered entrance with a paneled door, wide pilasters and narrow transom with a double row of lights is just visible behind a hedge and under an open shade trellis that supports vines. Windows appear to be all wood 8/12 sash, possibly original, in heavy frames with splayed lintels. The extension is flush and continuous with the main house, fenestrated and trimmed the same. It has a large brick chimney similar to the main house chimney, nearly centered and near the ridge on the back roof. Attached to each end of the house are 1-story additions with modern windows that are either altered older sections or 20<sup>th</sup> c. constructions. The house has ocean views across a wide, open lawn.

**HISTORICAL INFORMATION:**

**1856 Map:** House shown with name "Sam'l W. Hawes"

**1871 Map:** House shown with name "S. R. Thomas"

**1895 Map:** House shown with name "H. M. Plummer"

**Tax Card, 1<sup>st</sup> Entry:** 8/22/1925, Marian L. Russell, Book 619 Page 409

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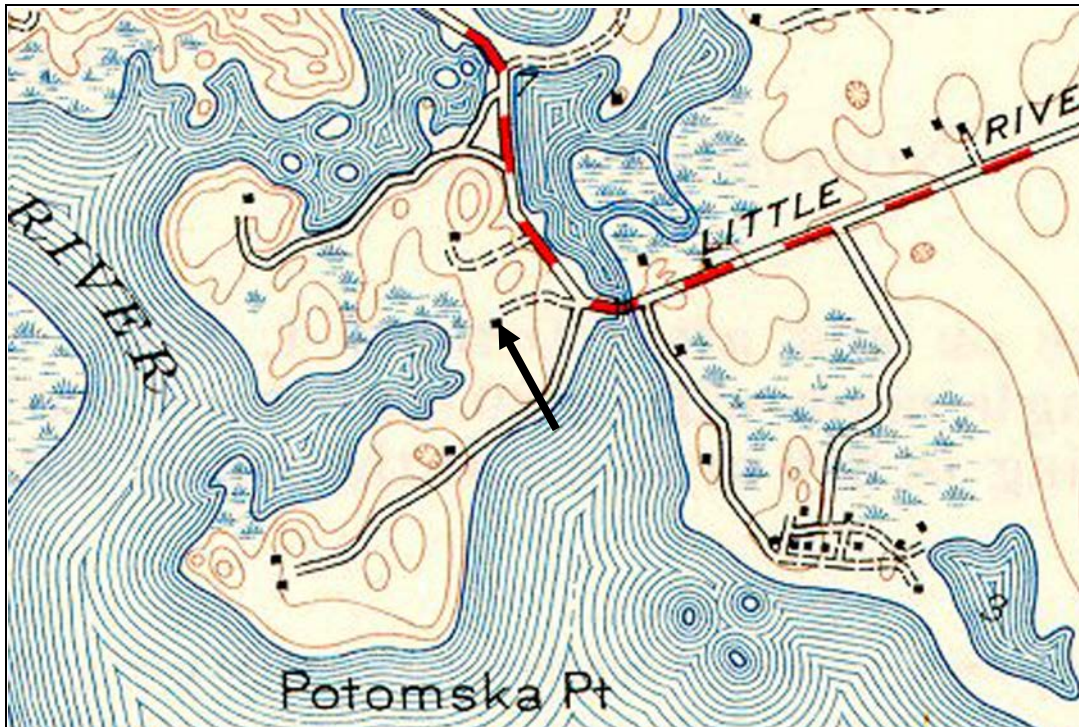
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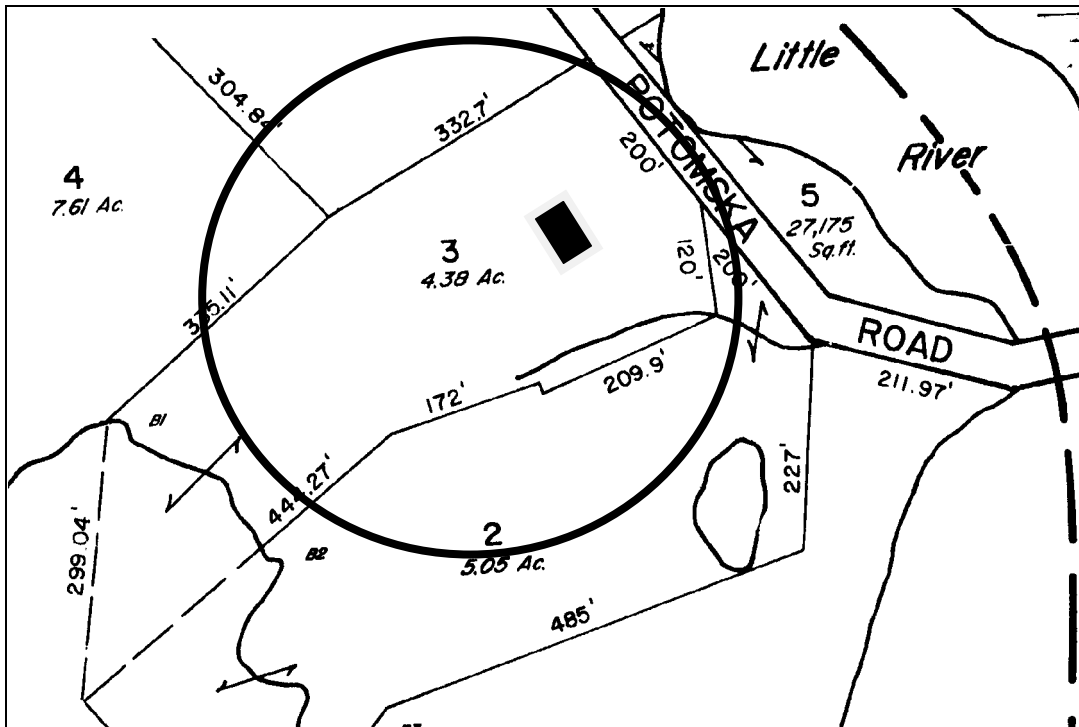
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**LOCATION MAPPING**



USGS Topographic Map New Bedford South Quadrangle 1941, Revised 1948



Dartmouth Tax Assessors Map



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