

FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

117-48	New Bedford South		DAR.163
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Photograph



Topographic or Assessor's Map

see continuation sheet

Town: Dartmouth

Place: Padanaram

Address: 425 Elm Street

Historic Name: Lawton House

Uses: Present: apartment house

Original: Boarding house & Inn

Date of Construction: ca. 1880 (1841 in Tax Database)

Source: historic mapping

Style/Form: Queen Anne

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: stone

Wall/Trim: clapboards

Roof: asphalt shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Major Alterations (with dates): conversion to apartments in 1920; massive rear addition with additional apartments or condos since 1983

Condition: Good

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

Acreage: 11,567 s.f.

Setting: residential

Recorded by: Richard M. Casella / Wm. Coutu

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 rather large multi unit apartment building makes use of several Victorian era stylistic motifs. The mansard roof and dormers borrow from the Second Empire style. Scalloped shingles at dormers and skirt-like façade at second story level are Queen Ann features. The sun burst effect at dormer pediment is a Stick style motif. Foundation is granite, and original stone and iron fence is still in place. Structure was at one time an inn, known as Lawton Inn. [Note: Preceding description transcribed from 1983 survey form]

HISTORICAL INFORMATION:**1856 Map:** House not shown**1871 Map:** House not shown**1895 Map:** House shown with name "Lawton House"**Tax Card, 1st Entry:** 5/9/1902, Benjamin Wilcox, Book 221 Page 565**BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES**Walling, Henry F., *Map of the Town of Dartmouth, Bristol County, Mass.* 1856.Beers, F. W., *Atlas of Bristol County, Massachusetts.* New York: F.W. Beers & Co., 1871Walling, Henry F., *Map of Bristol County, Massachusetts.* 1895.

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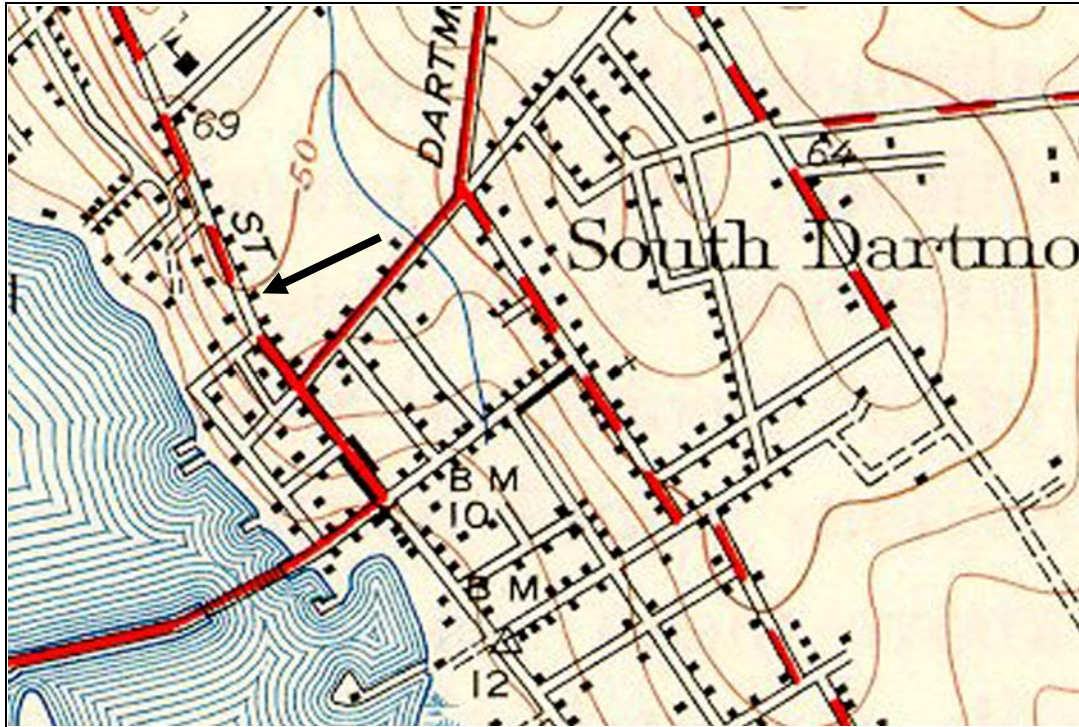
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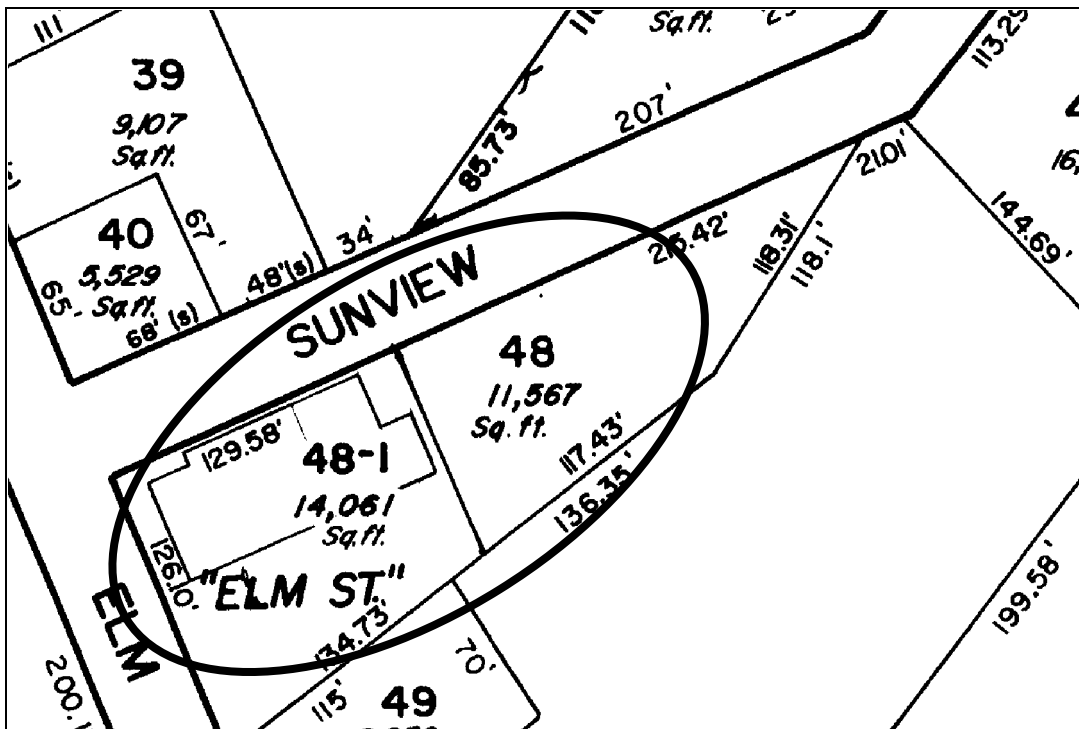
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LOCATION MAPPING



USGS Topographic Map New Bedford South Quadrangle 1941, Revised 1948



Dartmouth Tax Assessors Map

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