

PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #: _____
HRI # _____
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NRHP Status Code: _____
Other Listings _____
Review Code _____ Reviewer _____ Date _____

*Resource Name or #: 307 First Street

P1. Other Identifier: CB Houghton Lumber Yard Office

*P2. .Location: *a. County Solano

b. Address 307 First Street

*c. City: Benicia Zip 94510

d. UTM: N/A

e. USGS Quad: Benicia T2N R3W MDM

*f. Other Locational Data (APN #): 89-243-16

*P3a. Description

This is a hip roof cottage of a rectangular plan. The roof has wide overhangs with exposed rafters and a wide, plain cornice. The principal roof extends to cover a front porch area and is supported on Tuscan columns. The low porch is now open, but appears in historic photographs with a low open rail. The entry is centrally located and the door is paneled and glazed. Fenestration consists of symmetrically arranged one-over-one double hung windows. The building is clad with clapboard.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: HP6

*P4. Resources Present: Building Structure Object Site District Element of District

P5b. Description of Photo:

Front façade, view west

*P6. Date Constructed/Age: Circa 1900

Prehistoric Historic Both

*P7. Owner and Address:

Phillip Joy
35 Sandy Beach Rd
Vallejo, CA 94590

*P8. Recorded by:

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*P9. Date Recorded: 11-20-04

*P10. Type of Survey: Intensive

Reconnaissance

Other

Describe Eligibility Evaluation

*P11. Report Citation: none

*Attachments: NONE Map Sheet
Continuation Sheet Building, Structure, and
Object Record Linear Resource Record
Archaeological Record District Record
Milling Station Record Rock Art Record
 Artifact Record Photograph Record
Other (List):

P5. Photograph or Drawing (Photograph required for buildings, structures, and objects.)



BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

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*NRHP Status Code: 3D

B1. **Historic Name:** Houghton Lumber Yard Office

B2. **Common Name:** Same

B3. **Original Use:** Office

B4. **Present Use:** Commercial

*B5. **Architectural Style:** Greek Revival

B7. **Moved?** No Yes Unknown

Date: N/A **Original Location:** same

*B8. **Related Features:** None

B9a. **Architect:** unknown

B9b. **Builder:** unknown

*B10. **Significance: Theme:** Benicia Downtown District **Period of Significance:** 1847-1940

Property Type: Single Family **Applicable Criteria:** A / C

The building is an interesting example of a late classical revival executed at a small scale. The building appears on the 1913 Sanborn Map and served as the front office for the large lumber yard that occupied the rear lot. The building is significant in the commercial and economic development of the town and is a link with the wharf and its earlier maritime and industrial character. The building has been rehabilitated and is no longer in a distressed condition, as is shown in the photograph. The building appears to be designated as a City Landmark based on the Historic District Plan Map. It should continue in this status.

B11. **Additional Resource Attributes:** N/A

B12. **References:** McAlester, Virginia and Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses*. New York: Alfred Knopf (1986); Bruegmann, Robert. *Benicia Portrait of an Early California Town: An Architectural History* (San Francisco: 101 Productions (1980); Woodbridge, Sally and Cannon Design Group. *Benicia, California: Downtown Historic Conservation Plan*. City of Benicia, 1990; Sanborn Map Benicia, CA. 1886; 1986 Benicia Historic Inventory form.

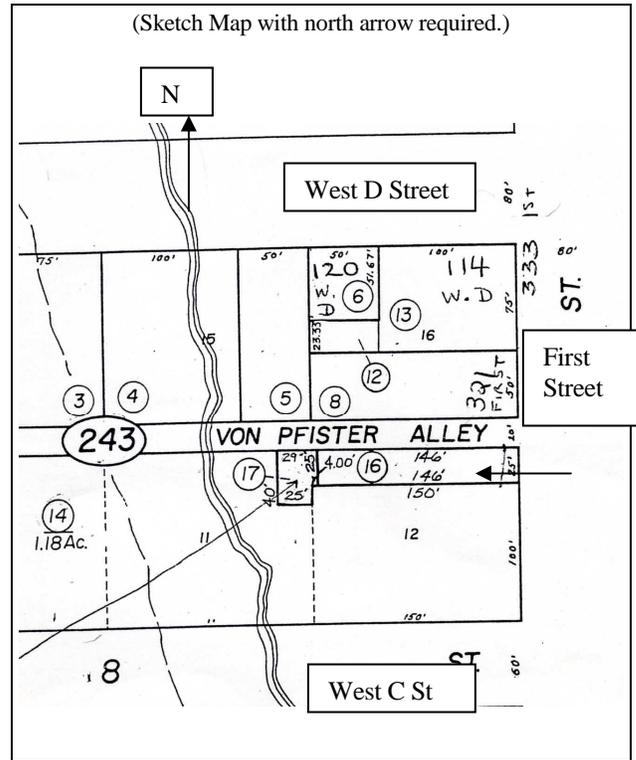
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Remarks: N/A

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B 15. Date of Evaluation: 11-22-04



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