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Inventory No:	CON.1219
Historic Name:	Park, Wisner I. House
Common Name:	
Address:	81 Upland Rd
City/Town:	Concord
Village/Neighborhood:	West Concord
Local No:	
Year Constructed:	c 1928
Architect(s):	Damon, Kennan
Architectural Style(s):	Colonial Revival
Use(s):	Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	CON.CR: Upland Road Area
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard Foundation: Concrete Unspecified



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FORM B – BUILDING

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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Locus Map



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

2740

Concord

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Town/City: Concord

Place: (*neighborhood or village*):
West Concord

Address: 81 Upland Rd.

Historic Name: Wisner I. and Gladys Park House

Uses: Present: Single-family Residential

Original: Single-family Residential

Date of Construction: ca. 1928

Source: Deed Research and Street Directories

Style/Form: Colonial Revival

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Concrete Foundation

Wall/Trim: Wood Clapboards

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

A one-story, two-car garage, is located to the south of the residence - 1968.

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

A two-story, two-by-two bay addition projects out from the southeast corner of the residence - late twentieth century.

Condition: Good

Moved: no ☒ yes ☐ **Date:**

Acreage: .58 Acres

Setting: Located in a dense residential area south of the Assabet River. The property is well landscaped with foundation plantings and mature trees along the boundary of the lot.

Recorded by: Geoffrey Melhuish

Organization: ttl-architects

Date (*month / year*): July 2013

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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.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

81 Upland Road (CON.1219) is a two-story wood-frame Colonial Revival style residence constructed during the first quarter of the twentieth century. The three-by-two bay building faces north and is setback approximately twenty-five feet from the road on a level lot. The building adopts a rectangular plan on a concrete foundation and is capped by a hipped roof sheathed with asphalt shingles. An interior brick chimney pierces the south roof plane. The residence is clad with wood clapboards. Access to the residence is provided by a centrally located entry marked by a one-story entry porch. A common detail of Colonial Revival architecture is the pedimented gable roof entry porch supported by classically inspired columns. The porch rests on a brick stoop. The six panel wood entry door is highlighted by half-length sidelights. A tripartite window comprised of a 6/6 window flanked by 4/4 windows is located to each side of the entry porch. Each opening is set within a simple wood surround and features louvered shutters to each side. Three 6/6 double hung wood sash windows are located above on the second floor. A one-story screened porch, typical of the style, projects out from the west elevation. The porch is capped by a flat roof with a wood balustrade wrapping the eave. A two-story, two-by-two bay addition projects out from the southeast corner of the residence. The addition is capped by a hipped roof sheathed with asphalt shingles. A secondary entrance is located at the northwest corner of the addition. 81 Upland Road is a well-preserved Colonial Revival residence constructed in Concord during the early twentieth century.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Upland Road developed on the edge of the 19th century village of West Concord in the first half of the 20th century. The street was developed by Kennan Damon and his partners in the Riverview Trust and was the first area south of the Assabet River to be subdivided in West Concord. The developers extended Pine Street to the south and largely paid for the construction of the Pine Street Bridge in 1927. The bridge was replaced in 1941.

81 Upland Road (CON.1219) was constructed ca. 1928 by Kennan Damon and his partners in the Riverview Trust during their development of this area in the late 1920s. The property was purchased in 1928 by Wisner I. Park (b 1892) and his wife, Gladys (b 1892). At the time, the property was numbered 17 Upland Road.¹ In 1940, Wisner was employed as a salesman selling municipal bonds. The Parks continued to reside on Upland road until 1965 when the property was purchased by Harthon I. Munson and Barbara S. Munson.² The Munsons resided on Upland Road until 1967 when the property was purchased by the current owners Phyllis and Paulette Chagnon.³

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¹ Lot 17 Plan entitled Plan of Riverview Park, August 2, 1926 by Leonard C Robinson Middlesex South Registry of Deeds Book 379 Plan 40.

² Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book 9430 Page 222.

³ Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book 11354 Page 704.

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National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Individually eligible ☒ Eligible **only** in a historic district
- ☒ Contributing to a potential historic district ☐ Potential historic district

Criteria: ☒ **A** ☐ **B** ☒ **C** ☐ **D**

Criteria Considerations: ☐ **A** ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐ **E** ☐ **F** ☐ **G**

Statement of Significance by Geoffrey Melhuish

The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.

81 Upland Road is a well preserved Colonial Revival residence constructed in Concord during the early twentieth century. The residence possesses a high degree of integrity of design, setting and workmanship. The property meets criterion A and C at the local level and would be a contributing property in a potential Historic District. Many of the homes on Upland Road and Old Marlboro Road maintain a high degree of architectural integrity. Upland Road was developed by Kennan Damon and his partners in the Riverview Trust and was the first area south of the Assabet River to be subdivided in West Concord. The developers extended Pine Street to the south and largely paid for the construction of the Pine Street Bridge in 1927. The bridge was replaced in 1941. Many of the homes on Upland Road maintain a high degree of architectural integrity. Boundaries of an Upland Road Historic District would include Upland Road from Old Marlboro Road to Pine Street.