

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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<b>Inventory No:</b>	CON.N
<b>Historic Name:</b>	Monument Street Area
<b>Common Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>City/Town:</b>	Concord
<b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>	Concord Center
<b>Local No:</b>	
<b>Year Constructed:</b>	
<b>Architect(s):</b>	Owen, Frank Sewall
<b>Architectural Style(s):</b>	
<b>Use(s):</b>	Residential District
<b>Significance:</b>	Architecture; Community Planning
<b>Area(s):</b>	
<b>Designation(s):</b>	
<b>Building Materials(s):</b>	



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Boston, Massachusetts 02116

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of Area

111-155 Monument St./

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1885-1940

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good

Intrusions and Alterations

none

Acreage

ca. 7 acres

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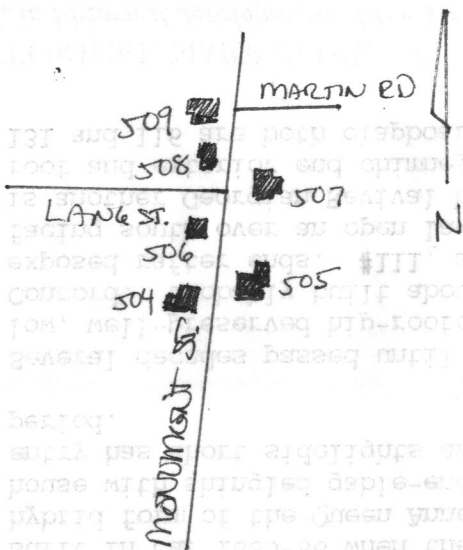
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for Concord Histor. Comm.

Date (month/day/year)

June, 1992

Sketch Map 155, 145, 131 Monument  
Draw a map of the area indicating properties within  
it. Number each property for which individual  
inventory forms have been completed. Label streets  
including route numbers, if any. Attach a separate  
sheet if space is not sufficient here. Indicate North.



140 Monument

## AREA FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Describe architectural, structural and landscape features and evaluate in terms of other areas within the community.*

Just south of the Middlesex Railroad bed are six houses that illustrate a variety of late-nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century building types. All but one show the strong influence of the Colonial Revival movement. The earliest house is #140. Built in ca. 1885-86 when the Colonial Revival was still most often showing up as a hybrid form of the Queen Anne, this is a high, bulky 2 1/2-story gambrel-roofed house with shingled gable-ends and a wraparound porch of Tuscan columns. The main entry has short sidelights and an elliptical fanlight reminiscent of the Federal period.

Several decades passed until the next house, probably #155, was built. This is a low, well-preserved hip-roofed Craftsman Bungalow, a house type that is rare in Concord. Probably built about 1915, its deep overhanging roof is embellished with exposed rafter ends. #111, a hip-roofed, 2-story brick Georgian Revival house facing south over an open lawn, was probably built at about the same time. #145 is another Georgian Revival brick house, here with a steeply-pitched gabled slate roof and exterior end chimneys. Both these two houses have pedimented entries. #s 131 and 116 are both clapboard 2-story houses. (Cont.)

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Explain historical development of the area. Discuss how this area relates to the historical development of the community.*

The area of Monument Street between the Gourgas House and the bed of the Middlesex Railroad was largely developed with a variety of houses on large lots between about 1910 and 1935. Most of the land here belonged in the late nineteenth century to D.G. Lang, with some of the southern portion still in the Gourgas family.

The earliest building here, #140, is the house built in 1885-6 by <sup>David</sup> Daniel G. Lang (d. 1907) for his own residence. It replaced the old Humphrey Barrett House, which the Langs lived in for a while, and tore down when this new house was finished. Mr. Lang had a large barn which stood across the street on about the site of #155. Formerly paymaster of the Hamilton Manufacturing Co. of Lowell, he had retired to Concord in 1868 to farm the acres here on Monument Street opposite today's Lang Street. Before he could develop the farm, however, he was appointed Deputy US Marshal, serving from 1870 to 1876. He was on the Concord School Committee for several years beginning in 1873, and on the Board of Assessors from 1878. After Mr. Lang's death the house was sold to lawyer George M. Weed.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ *see continuation sheet*

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 Obituary File.  
 Social Circle Memoirs - N 327-331.

☐ Recommended as a National Register District. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

## INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Community

Property

CONCORD111-155 Monument St.

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80 Boylston Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Area(s) Form No.  
N 504 509

## ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE, cont.

#131 is a design typical of the 1920's Colonial Revival, with a 1-story den on the south end, a 2-story rear wing, and a balcony-topped rear ell. It, too, has an exterior end chimney and a pedimented entry. #116, a rambling house probably built ca. 1930, is the most Federal Revival of the group. The main house is small and square, with a shallow-hipped, modillioned roof and a central chimney.

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AREA DATA SHEET

MHC #/ Parcel #	Address	description	approx. date	condition
504 H9-1286	111 Monument Street	- Georgian Revival Brick; 2-story hip-roofed.	ca. 1910	good
505 H9-1229	116 Monument Street	- Federal Revival Clapboard, hipped roof.	ca. 1930's	good
506 H9-1285	131 Monument Street	- Colonial Revival Clapboard; rubble foundation.	ca. 1920's	good
507 H9-1230	140 Monument Street	- Col. Revival/Q. Anne Clapboard and shingle; brick foundation	ca. 1885-6	fair
508 H9-1274	145 Monument Street	- Georgian Revival Brick; slate roof.	ca. 1930	excellent
509 H9-1273	155 Monument Street	- Craftsman bungalow Shingle; rubble foundation.	ca. 1915	excellent

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504 - 111 MONUMENT ST (ALSO DV - LHD 3/5/73)

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509 - 155 MONUMENT ST (ALSO DV - LHD 3/5/73)





111 Monument Street (CON. 504)



131 Monument Street (CON. 506)



116 Monument Street (CON. 505)



140 Monument Street (CON. 507)



145 Monument Street (CON. 508)

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**Additional information by Anne Forbes, November, 2000:****HISTORICAL NARRATIVE, cont.**

According to a longtime local resident, at least one house in this area, 155 Monument Street, was used as part of the Brooks School under Mrs. Arthur Brooks in the 1930s and '40s before the school was moved to Wood Street in the 1950s.

116 Monument Street, built in 1950, was designed by architect Frank Sewall Owen for Mrs. Harry B. Little, widow of the well-known Concord architect. Mr. Owen, who had many commissions in Concord in the 1930s through 1950s, had been a protege of Mrs. Little's late husband. The house stands on land divided out from #98 Monument Street.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY/REFERENCES, cont.**

Note from Gordon Shaw to Concord Historical Commission, 1/14/95.

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