

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY  
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

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Town No.:	Site No. 134
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIPTION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) <i>(Historic)</i>		Camp, Elias, House	
2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE	COUNTY	
Durham	Center	Middlesex	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and or location) Maple Avenue, east side			
4. OWNER(S) Augustine, Frank S. & Sylvia M. <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private			
5. USE (Present) <i>(Historic)</i>		Residence	
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD	INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE	IF YES EXPLAIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
19th Century Cape		ca. 1840	
8. MATERIAL(S) <i>(Indicate use or location when appropriate)</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: <u>brownstone</u>	
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry		<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel	
10. ROOF (Type)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
<i>(Material)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>
11. NUMBER OF STORIES	APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS		
1 1/2	21'x32'		
12. CONDITION <i>(Structural)</i>		<i>(Exterior)</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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13. INTEGRITY <i>(Location)</i>		WHEN	<i>(Alterations)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			IF YES EXPLAIN
			Additions: to rear & front porch
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES			
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings <i>(Specify)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden	
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial	<input type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High building density
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS			

Situated on an open lot on the east side of Maple Avenue, the Elias Camp House is bordered to the east by Durham's Local Historic District and to the west by Durham Meadow.

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17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (DIPLOMA AND DETAILS)  
 Eyebrow windows set under the eaves on the north and south elevations are characteristic of the Greek Revival style. A single story ell has been added to the rear and a shed-roofed portico supported by two narrow cylindrical columns enhances a south-east entranceway. The main block sash feature lowered shutters.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

SIGNIFICANCE

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This 1½ story, nineteenth-century Cape-style building was constructed ca. 1840 by Elias Camp. The facade features a gable-to-street, asphalt-shingled roof and a single story, four-bay, hip-roofed enclosed porch. The post-and-beam frame is clapboarded and rests on a brownstone foundation.  
 Elias Camp (1794-1873), son of Luke and Grace Camp, built this house ca. 1840 on land he purchased from Daniel Bates and Parsons Coe. Married to Mary Bennett, Camp made his living as a shoemaker and in 1817 took the oath of a freeman. In 1855 Elias sold the property to his son, Noyes Frederick Camp (1833-1904). A bachelor all his life, Noyes Camp resided here until his death in 1904.  
 Significant for its association with the Camp Family, the Elias Camp House is an integral part of Durham's Historic Center.

SOURCES

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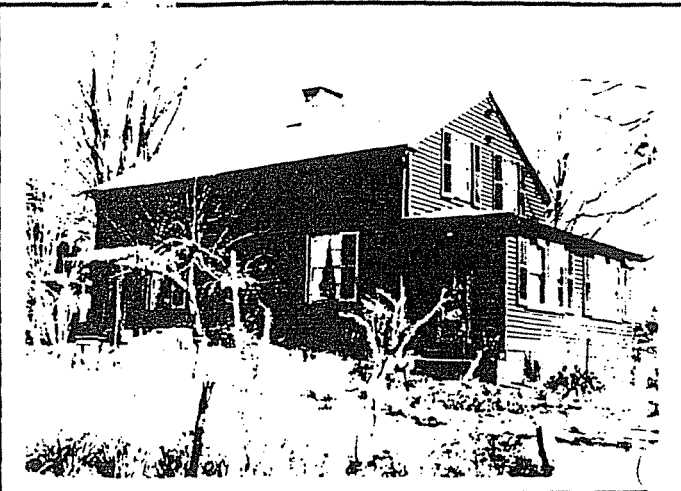
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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

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|--|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None know. | <input type="checkbox"/> Highways | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism     | <input type="checkbox"/> Developers | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal               | <input type="checkbox"/> Private  | <input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning     | <input type="checkbox"/> Explanaton _____ |