

# MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BLVD  
BOSTON, MA 02125

### Photograph

(3"x3" or 3-1/2"x5" black and white only) Label photo on back with town and property address. Record film roll and negative numbers here on the form. Staple photo to left side of form over this space. Attach additional photos to continuation sheets.

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### Sketch Map

Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate

**Town** Provincetown  
**Place** (neighborhood or village)  
**Address** 333 COMMERCIAL ST  
**Building ID** 991  
**Parcel No. (PID)** 11-3-002-0  
**Mapbase #** 11-3-002  
**Building Area** 1510.326  
**Historic Name**  
**Present Use** Commercial  
**Original Use** Commercial  
**Date of Construction** 1858>  
**Source** Tax assessment  
**Style/Form** Italianate, Vernacular  
**Architect/Builder**  
**Exterior Material** Asbestos, Clapboard  
**Foundation** obscured  
**Wall/Trim** wood  
**Roof** Front Gable  
**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures**  
 Modern 2-story apt. bldg.

### Major Alterations (with dates)

Plate glass display windows; rear additions

**Condition** Good  
**Moved**  no  yes **Date**  
**Acreage** 0.274  
**Setting**

**Recorded by** Vanessa Zeoli  
**Organization** Kise Straw & Kolodner  
**Date** (month/year) November 2003  
**Form Status**  new  update

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

Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

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### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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

991 Commercial St. is a 2-1/2-story, 3-bay vernacular Italianate-style commercial building; gable-front roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles, paired brackets under eave, skylights; exterior is clad in asbestos shingles and clapboard siding with wood corner boards and trim; foundation is obscured; fenestration includes single-pane fixed windows on storefront, 2/2 DHS on upper stories; storefront is accessed by replacement pane-and-panel doors; altered 1st story with cornice over storefront; exterior staircase to 2nd story on side façade; roof extended on side façade to create porch roof for 2nd-story entrance; rear deck.

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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*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.*

As per Tom Boland (1994): Nos. 331, 333, and 335 Commercial Street. #331 was first listed as a tin shop in 1858. In 1880, the owner was N. Homes who continued the use as a tin shop. The 1901 and 1907 Atlases list the owners as H.M. Holmes and Nathaniel P. Holmes respectively. Originally known as 312 Commercial Street, #335 Commercial is not shown on the 1858 Atlas. In 1880, its cited as owned by K.W. Freeman and was a general store and billiard hall. Later, under the owner A. Freeman, it became a house wares store and then an ice cream parlor. In 1943 it became the New Deal Tavern which was located next door at #333 Commercial for nine years. In 1956, its name was changed to the Fo'c'sal which remained until 1984. Currently Fat Jacks' restaurant. #333 Commercial is noted as the L. Young store in 1858 continued under the Young ownership through 1880. In 1889, it's noted as a millinery shop and by 1907, it too came under the ownership of A. Freeman.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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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.*