

# 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** 449 COMMERCIAL ST  
**Building ID** 1330  
**Parcel No. (PID)** 12-4-013-0  
**Mapbase #** 12-4-013  
**Building Area** 1657.346  
**Historic Name**  
**Present Use** Residential  
**Original Use** Commercial  
**Date of Construction** 1858-1870  
**Source** maps and atlases  
**Style/Form** Greek Revival  
**Architect/Builder**  
**Exterior Material** clapboard  
**Foundation** brick, concrete block  
**Wall/Trim** wood  
**Roof** Side gable  
**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures**

### Major Alterations (with dates)

Rear addition (20th C.), infilled windows

**Condition** Good  
**Moved**  no  yes **Date**  
**Acreage** 0.105  
**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.*

449 Commercial St. is a 2-story, 7-bay, Greek Revival-style dwelling; side-gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles, box cornice with partial returns, three interior brick chimneys on rear roof slope; exterior is clad in clapboard siding with wood shingles on secondary facades, wood corner boards and trim; building sits on a brick and concrete block foundation; fenestration includes 6/6 wood DHS, 2/2 wood DHS; primary entrance is accessed by a wood panel door; exterior steps to alternate entrance on rear facade; open porches on 1st and 2nd stories; rear addition.

### 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): Although there is a structure at this site in 1858, the property was owned by S. Bangs, who had a wharf nearby. The atlas of 1880 indicates that 447 and 449 Commercial were owned by J. Kiley. By 1907, the properties were split and 449 was owned by Edward P. Seaver who was the Superintendent of Schools in Boston. Mr. Seaver also owned the house across the street at 440 Commercial.

Currently "Nautilus" (2003).

### 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.*