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Title Sign for Wedgwood's Inn

Date 1827-1836

Medium Paint on pine board and frame, iron hardware

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Description Images: On side 1, meeting house with steeple, flanked by small

trees, over a (possibly incomplete) landscape with at least one tree. On side 2,

landscape scene with large tree on left, overhanging house on right, over a fully-

rigged ship flying an American flag. Text: On both sides, on top rail, "1836" over

"1827"; on bottom rail, "J. WEDGWOOD" over "J. Thomas" Construction: Single

board, grain oriented vertically. Thick, flat, horizontal rails with pediment and

skirt extensions; square posts with integral turned ends. The board is set into

grooves in the rails and posts. Decorative moldings are run on the inner edge of

the rails and applied molding strips are nailed to the inside edges of the posts

on both sides of the sign. The massive, two-inch-thick rails are tenoned through

the posts and pinned. The top joints are single-tenoned and the bottom joints

double-tenoned. The top rail extends upward slightly into a central projection

supporting a finial. The broad lower rail extends down and is sawn to form two

rounded lobes.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width including hardware): 51 1/2 x 29

1/4in. (130.8 x 74.3cm) Other (height x width of sign only): 50 3/4 x 29 1/4in.

(128.9 x 74.3cm)