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## **4 Andrew Street**

Built as a stable for  
Isabella C. Miller  
1877

Converted to dwelling  
after Great Salem Fire  
1914

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**Chain of Title, 4 Andrew Street, Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts**

Date Recorded	Grantor(s)	Grantee(s)	Consideration	Conveyance of	Source	Document	Book or Vol.	Page	Notes
November 28, 1832	Nathaniel Silsbee of Salem, Merchant	Nathaniel Silsbee Jr. of Salem, Merchant	\$1,000	"A lot of land situated in Salem aforesaid..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	268	43	
April 6, 1859	Nathaniel Silsbee Jr.	Isabella C. Miller, wife of Charles H. Miller of Salem, Merchant	\$1,000	"a certain parcel of land situate on the corner of Pleasant and Andrew Streets in said Salem..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	585	90	"as her sole and separate property free from all interference or control by her said husband..."
March 3, 1891	Isabella C. Miller of Salem, widow	Caroline L. Brown, wife of Frank A. Brown of Salem	"one dollar and other valuable considerations paid"	a "parcel of land, with all buildings thereon, situated in said Salem..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	1303	63	
May 6, 1926	Frank A. Brown & Caroline L. Brown, his wife	Francis Brown of Salem	"consideration paid"	"the land in said Salem, together with the buildings thereon..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	2679	43	"Being a portion of the premises conveyed to said Caroline L. Brown by Isabella C Miller..."
October 15, 1929	Francis Brown	Florence A. Woodbury, Annie E. Woodbury, & Grace A. Woodbury, all unmarried, of Salem	"consideration paid"	"the land in said SALEM, together with the buildings thereon..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	2825	424	
October 10, 1960	Annie Endicott Woodbury	William J. Toomey & Emma G. Toomey, husband & wife, of Salem	"consideration paid"	"the land in said Salem, together with the buildings thereon..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	4710	405	
August 3, 1964	William J. Toomey & Emma G. Toomey	Lucille S. Almquist of Salem	"consideration paid"	"the land in said Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts together with the buildings thereon..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	5194	62	
June 10, 1965	Lucille S. Almquist	Claud W. Ashcraft & Phyllis G. Ashcraft, husband & wife, of Salem	"consideration paid"	"the land with the buildings thereon, situated on Andrew Street in said Salem..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	5275	342	
September 11, 1970	Claud W. Ashcraft & Phyllis G. Ashcraft	Robert L. Scagliotti & Nackey Scagliotti, husband & wife	\$24,000	"the land with buildings thereon situated at 4 Andrew Street, Essex County, Salem, Massachusetts..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	5711	263	
April 1, 1976	Robert L. Scagliotti & Nackey Scagliotti	Jacqueline Nangle	\$45,300	"the land with buildings thereon situated at 4 Andrew Street, Essex County, Salem, Massachusetts..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	6228	667	
December 15, 1978	Jacqueline Nangle	Judith E. Whitney & Barbara E. Harrison	\$56,000	"the land in Salem, Essex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon situated at 4 Andrew Street..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	6549	370	
June 12, 1981	Barbara E. Harrison, AKA Barbara E. Whitney & Judith E. Hanson, formerly Judith E. Whitney, of Nahant	Wayne D. Hanson & Judith E. Hanson, husband & wife, of Nahant	\$21,955	"the land in Salem, Essex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon situated at 4 Andrew Street..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	6829	428	
December 8, 1988	Wayne D. Hanson & Judith E. Hanson	Mortgage Corporation of New England	\$395,000	"the land in Salem, Essex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon situated at 4 Andrew Street..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	9811	162	
December 30, 1988	Mortgage Corporation of New England	Robert W. Dick, Trustee of the Acquisition and Holding Trust	\$250,000	"4 Andrew Street, Salem, MA, bounded and described as follows..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	9842	14	
September 6, 1991	John J. Heaney, Trustee of the Acquisition and Holding Trust	Fred Whitney & Carol Whitney, husband & wife	\$147,000	"the following described premises known as 4 Andrew Street, Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts..."	Essex County Registry of Deeds	Deed	10935	361	

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<b>Inventory No:</b>	SAL.2751
<b>Historic Name:</b>	Miller, Charles Stable
<b>Common Name:</b>	Brown, C. L. - Sweetser, Abbie and Mary House
<b>Address:</b>	4 Andrew St
<b>City/Town:</b>	Salem
<b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>	Salem Common
<b>Local No:</b>	35-534
<b>Year Constructed:</b>	1877
<b>Architect(s):</b>	
<b>Architectural Style(s):</b>	Second Empire
<b>Use(s):</b>	Out Building; Single Family Dwelling House
<b>Significance:</b>	Agriculture; Architecture
<b>Area(s):</b>	SAL.HW: Salem Common Historic District
<b>Designation(s):</b>	Nat'l Register District (05/12/1976)
<b>Building Materials(s):</b>	Roof: Slate Wall: Vinyl Siding; Wood Foundation: Granite; Stone, Uncut



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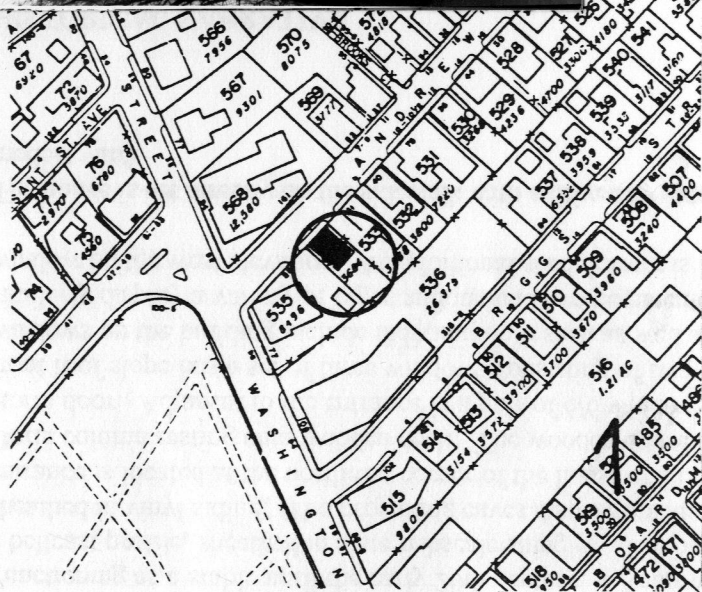
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35-534

USGS Quad  
Salem

Area(s)  
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Form Number  
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Town Salem

Place (neighborhood or village) Salem Common

Address 4 Andrew Street

Historic Name Misses Sweetser House  
(Charles Miller Stable)

Uses: Present Residential

Original Stable

Date of Construction 1877

Source Building permits

Style/Form Second Empire

Architect/Builder unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation Stone

Wall/Trim Vinyl Siding

Roof Slate

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

none

Major Alterations (with dates) 1914 - carriage house  
converted to residential use; c.1980 - vinyl siding

Condition good

Moved  no  yes Date

Acreage 3684 SF

Setting densely built-up residential neighborhood of  
19th -20th century buildings, east of Washington

Recorded by Lisa Mausolf

Organization Salem Planning Department

Date (month/year) March 1998

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**BUILDING FORM (4 Andrew Street)****ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION**

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

Functioning as a stable until the early 20th century, 4 Andrew Street is a single-story dwelling capped by a mansard roof with a bellcast profile, sheathed in slate fishscale shingles. The building rests on foundation of uncut mortared stone and is sheathed in vinyl siding. The projecting eaves display a wide frieze and are adorned by paired scroll brackets. The main entrance is located at the northeast corner of the house and is sheltered by a recessed porch supported by a single Roman Doric column resting on a wooden deck. The wooden door has 3 x 3 lights in the upper half and is fitted with a wooden storm door. Adjacent to the entrance is a pair of 6/6 windows with a molded surround and shutters. The shed dormer on the front roof slope has a set of three windows consisting of two 6/6 sash with a narrow 4/4 window in the center. The remaining windows on the building include individual 6/6 sash as well as sets of three, all of which are framed by shutters. The dormers similarly display a variety of types and include two pedimented dormers with 6/6 and a central gable dormer with an 8/8 window on the west elevation. An additional shed dormer is located on the east elevation.

The house is set directly on the sidewalk with a driveway extending to the west of the house. A stockade fence encloses the modest yard.

**HISTORICAL NARRATIVE**

*Describe 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.*

Originally a stable for the adjacent property at what is now 96 Washington Square East, this building was constructed for Charles Miller in 1877. According to building permits, Miller was granted a permit for a 1 1/2-story building with a "French roof", measuring 24 x 44 feet. Miller was a merchant with a store at 170 1/2 Essex Street. By 1897 the Washington Square East property was owned by C.L. Brown and occupied by Frank A. Brown. It appears that the building was renovated for residential use at the time of the Salem 1914 fire. In 1914 the adjacent property at 96 Washington Square East, including this building, was owned by Frank Brown, assistant manager of the National Lead Company. He apparently renovated his barn for Misses Abbie and Mary Sweetser, who formerly lived at 185 Lafayette Street but were left homeless by the fire. The 1914 directory shows the sisters to be living at 30 Pleasant Street, apparently awaiting the completion of 4 Andrew Street.

After Mary Sweetser passed away in 1919, Abbie Sweetser continued to live here until her death in 1922. Soon thereafter the property was occupied by several people until 1930 when it was acquired by Florence Woodbury who continued to live here into the 1950s. Annie Woodbury was in residence in the 1960s.

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attached a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*