

Historic Property McCleary/Robinson House
Inventory Report for 101 Northwest Sherman Street Olympia, Thurston, 98502

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: McCleary/Robinson House **Field Site No.:** 695
Common Name: (#34-611) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 101 Northwest Sherman Street Olympia, Thurston, 98502
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
[REDACTED] T18R02W 15 SE TUMWATER

UTM Reference

Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 506640 **Northing:** 5209890

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
85004700901 Woodruff L8 & L13 Blk 47 C part L9 to L12

Supplemental Map(s) **Acreage**
City of Olympia Planning Department < one

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson/Tom C **Date Recorded:** 10/4/1985 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Sherrie Sibbett/Rich Hovde **Owner Address:** Olympia, WA 98502 **City/State/Zip:**

Classification: Building **Resource Status** **Comments**

Within a District? No **Survey/Inventory**

Contributing? Local Register OHR-03-10

National Register Nomination:
Local District:
National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House
Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House

Plan: Rectangle **No. of Stories:** 2 1/2

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: Intact **Changes to interior:** Unknown

Changes to original cladding: Intact **Changes to other:**

Changes to windows: Intact **Other (specify):**

Cladding Shingle **Foundation** Concrete - Poured

Style Arts & Crafts - Craftsman **Form/Type** Single Family - Cross Gable

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition **Roof Type** Gable

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1916

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

Manufacturing/Industry

Builder:

Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:

No

Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):

No

Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

**Statement of
Significance**

The house was built in 1916 by Charles McCleary, son of lumber magnate Henry McCleary. The younger McCleary worked with his father. His wife Vivian Gose McCleary was the daughter of Mack Gose, Supreme Court Justice from 1909 to 1915. The house was purchased in 1941 by Supreme Court Justice John S. Robinson who served from 1937 to 1951. Born in 1880 in Ohio, he studied at Columbia Law School and practiced in Seattle from 1910 to 1937.

**Description of
Physical
Appearance**

The McCleary House is a large, two-and-one-half-story wood frame structure built in the Craftsman style on a poured concrete foundation. Its gable roof is covered with composition shingles and has wide bracketed eaves, exposed rafters and wide gable-end fascia boards. Walls are clad with wood shingles, with horizontal banding between stories, and the first story shingles are in alternating wide and narrow courses. The front (south) facade has an offset gable above a projecting portion of the facade. A central one-story gabled porch with square posts shelters the main entry door. The west wall has a side entry door. Spanning the east facade is a one-story enclosed porch, offering views of downtown Olympia. The driveway leads along the north facade to a double garage at the northeast corner.

**Major
Bibliographic
References**

Interview with John Robinson.
Fagan, Mary, "Background and Selection Patterns of Justices of the Washington State Supreme Court: 1889-1974," research paper, Pullman, 1974.

PHOTOS



View of west facade

taken 10/4/1985

Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):

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Comments: