



## NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1912

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect:

Conservation

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 according to Title Company Records ca. 1912 for a Mrs. Ursula Clark who was the widow of William Clark who worked for the State Land Commissioner's Office. The house was purchased in 1927 by Walter M. French who was a Justice on the Washington State Supreme Court from January, 1927 until death in 1930. He was a Superior Court Judge in Kitsap County before being named to the Supreme Court. His widow, Bessie French lived in the house for many years. Subsequent owners were Emma Ridgway, Edwin Simpson and current owners, Terry and Lana Poole. The house is a well preserved example of the craftsman/bungalow style.

**Description of  
Physical  
Appearance**

1. One and one half story craftsman style has hipped roofline and hipped dormers on three sides which extend from the top of the roofline. 2. Shingle and clapboard cladding. A band separates the two materials. 3. Recessed entry has small gable canopy with decorative brackets. 4. Variety of fenestration including tripartite, picture window and one over one sash.

**Major  
Bibliographic  
References**

Pioneer Title Company Records; Polk City Directories.

"Background and Seletion Patterns of Justices of the Washington State Supreme Court: 1889-1974", research paper, Pullman, 1974.

## PHOTOS



View of NW Corner

taken 7/1/1987

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Comments: