

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
For Buildings and Structures

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
TOWN NO.:		SITE NO.:	
UTM: 18	/	/	/
QUAD:			
DISTRICT:	S	NR:	ACTUAL POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME: Common: Arriwani Hotel Historic: Hotel Arrigoni
- 2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Middlesex
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 605 Main Street
- 4. OWNER(S): The March Corporation PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Hotel Historic: same
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain public use no

DESCRIPTION

- 7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Colonial Revival
Early Modern Commercial DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1914
- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):

<input type="checkbox"/> clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> asbestos siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> brick
<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt siding	<input type="checkbox"/> fieldstone
<input type="checkbox"/> board & batten	<input type="checkbox"/> stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> cobblestone
<input type="checkbox"/> aluminum siding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> concrete: type: <u>block</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cut stone: type: <u>granite</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____		<u>foundation</u>
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel (interior framing)
 other: _____
- 10. ROOF: type:
 gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other: _____
material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____
- 11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 5 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 58'x105'
- 12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated
- 13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when:
Alterations: no yes, explain: Minor interior changes; revolving doors of turret entrance removed
- 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barn shed garage other landscape features or buildings: _____
 carriage house shop garden _____
- 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: This tall well-kept structure looms above the commercial north end of Middletown. It is situated on a busy corner and dominates its small neighbors.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

Elaborate stained glass hood in lounge

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____

Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: This five story building was built in 1914 by Frank Arrigoni, a well-known local building contractor, as a hotel. It was owned and operated by the Arrigoni family until its sale to the March Corporation in 1963. It contains virtually all of its original details: four story bays on the south and east walls; corner turret; and Colonial Revival details, dentils and swaggery. The interior, including the "H" pattern floor plan, has suffered only minor alterations. Among the original features in the lounge is a leaded stained glass hood over the bar.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Elizabeth Loomis
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19. SOURCES: Middletown Land Records; Middletown City Directories; 1915 Bailey Map

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other: _____
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: _____



