

## CharlestonWISE Impact Project Historic House Information

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**Location Address:** (no name)  
 5 Alexander St  
 Charleston, SC 29401

<b>House Data Sheet</b>		
<u>Construction Date:</u> 1811-1813 <u>Sq. Ft:</u> 3,605 <u>No. of Stories:</u> 3 <u>Bldg. Orientation:</u> Alexander St façade faces E  <u>HCF Easement /</u> <u>Covenant Property:</u> Yes		
		
<b>System</b>	<b>Material / Type</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Exterior Walls	Wood	east facade probably replaced in 1870s or 1880s
Roof	Metal, standing seam	probably had a hipped roof originally
Framing	Wood	
Windows	Wood, double hung	9/9 lites on main house and 6/6 lites on kitchen dependency
Foundation	Brick	low, brick piers infilled with newer brick
Piazza / Porch	Wood	2-story, w/ hipped roof, south side, wraps around back of main house
<b>Sanborn Maps:</b>		
<p>The 1888 Sanborn Map shows a 3-story dwelling (then known as No. 3 Alexander) with a rectangular rear wing extending from its north elevation. A 2-story piazza on the south elevation wraps around the back of the main house. There is also a free standing 2-story kitchen house located to the rear of the main house. The 1902 Sanborn map shows the same main house structure; however the kitchen building is now 2-1/2 stories in height. On the 1944 Sanborn map, the rear dependency is once again a 2-story structure and the main house (now known as No. 5) has stayed the same. The 1951 Sanborn map shows the buildings exactly as shown on the 1944 map.</p>		
<b>Additions / Alterations:</b>		
<p>The south elevation has beaded weatherboard siding, but the east elevation has plain weatherboards, leading to the speculation that the east façade was rebuilt in the later 19th century (perhaps 1870s or 1880s). HCF bought the property in 1965, but quickly resold it. The 2-1/2 story kitchen house was attached to the rear hyphen by a 1-story connector added in 1970. In this same year, the kitchen building was renovated into a separate residence. The house was rehabilitated by its owners in 1975; few alterations were made, but included the infill of the east stairhall window and the enclosure of the piazza on the 1st floor for a breakfast room. (Source: National Register Part 1 Certification by Sarah Fick for HCF, January 2009)</p>		