

CharlestonWISE Impact Project Historic House Information

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Location Address: Daniel Legare House (Kitchen Bldg.)
 79 1/2 Anson Street
 Charleston, SC 29401

House Data Sheet

<u>Construction Date:</u> late 18th or early 19th century (Traditionally thought 1760)	<u>Sq. Ft.:</u> 960 (16 ft. x 30 ft.)	<u>No. of Stories:</u> 2	<u>Bldg. Orientation:</u> Main façade faces S;	<u>HCF Easement / Covenant Property:</u> Yes	
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System	Material / Type	Notes
Exterior Walls	Brick	
Roof	Slate	
Framing	Wood	
Windows	Wood	Double-hung, 6/6 lite
Foundation	Brick	Low to ground, perhaps small crawlspace
Piazza / Porch	n/a	

Sanborn Maps:

The 1888 Sanborn map indicates the dependency building located at 79-1/2 Anson Street was a 2-story structure with a 1-story porch along its south elevation. By 1902, the 1-story porch had been removed from the south elevation. The 1944 Sanborn map shows what appears to be a 1-story structure connecting the main house to the dependency at its southeast corner. The 1951 map shows the exact same configuration as in 1944.

Additions / Alterations:

The dependency building to 79 Anson originally had a two-room plan on each floor with a pair of chimneys centered on the north wall. When the kitchen building was renovated to be a separate residence, circa 1958, many changes occurred: the west chimney was demolished to provide room for a small kitchen, two doors were converted to windows and a window was changed to a door, and the staircase was shifted west. On the east elevation, there is "ghost evidence" that a structure was added on this side of the building and later demolished. SEE "AN ARCHITECTURAL INVESTIGATION OF 79 ANSON STREET" FOR DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT CHANGES TO EACH ELEVATION. Most of the interior historic finishes have been lost due to renovations. A survey from 1956, indicates there was once a cistern in between the main house and this dependency (survey on file).

