

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

# Architectural Inventory Form

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## Official eligibility determination (OAHP use only)

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Determined Eligible- NR  
\_\_\_\_ Determined Not Eligible- NR  
\_\_\_\_ Determined Eligible- SR  
\_\_\_\_ Determined Not Eligible- SR  
\_\_\_\_ Need Data  
\_\_\_\_ Contributes to eligible NR District  
\_\_\_\_ Noncontributing to eligible NR District

### I. IDENTIFICATION

1. Resource number: 5PT.169
2. Temporary resource number: 214.EHO (214.EH)
3. County: Pitkin
4. City: Aspen
5. Historic building name: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Current building name: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Building address: 214 East Hopkins Ave. Aspen, Colorado 81611
8. Owner name and address: Elizabeth Marie Jones Trust, Ethan A. Miller Trustee  
202 E. High Street Box 1285 Charlottesville, VA 22902

### II. Geographic Information

9. P.M. 6 Township 10 South Range 84 West  
NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7
10. UTM reference  
Zone 1 3 ; 3 4 2 7 5 0 mE 4 3 3 9 2 9 0 mN
11. USGS quad name: Aspen Quadrangle  
Year: 1960, Photo Rev. 1987 Map scale: 7.5' X 15' Attach photo copy of appropriate map section.
12. Lot(s): N, O, P, Q Block: 74  
Addition: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Addition: \_\_\_\_\_
13. Boundary Description and Justification: Site is comprised of Lot N, O, P, Q; Block 74 of the City and  
Townsite of Aspen. Assessors office Record Number: 2737-073-28-007  
This description was chosen as the most specific and customary description of the site.

### III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan (footprint, shape): Irregular
15. Dimensions in feet: Length \_\_\_\_\_ x Width \_\_\_\_\_
16. Number of stories: Two and 1/2 Story
17. Primary external wall material(s) (enter no more than two): Wood Horizontal Siding
18. Roof configuration: (enter no more than one): Cross Gable Roof
19. Primary external roof material (enter no more than one): Metal Roof
20. Special features (enter all that apply): Porch, Stained Glass

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21. General architectural description: A two and 1/2 story wood frame mining era structure on a stone foundation. The front gable faces the street and contains a two story bay. A square plan tower sits to the east, slightly stepped back from the gable end wall with a small finial at the peak.. The flat roof porch begins at the bay, as an extension of horizontal banding on the bay, and extends across the face of the tower volume. The bay has a single vertically proportioned double hung in the center on both levels, and the same window on the 45° walls, the first level has decorative metal bars. The bay has a hipped roof infilling a majority of the gable end. The gable end has decorative vergeboards with flared ends; horizontal banding encircles the house at numerous levels, isolating sections of siding; the top of the gable ends and the tower have shingles in contrast to the clapboards elsewhere. The porch roof is supported by turned posts with a geometric frieze and small brackets. The roof serves as a deck for the second level, and has a decorative metal railing at the perimeter, the door to the deck is centered on the tower, with a small horizontal vent window above. The entry door is located off center to the west under the porch, on the tower wall. The cross gable sits behind the tower and projects slightly from the main wall of the house, with a single story volume projecting out from the width of the cross gable. The projection has 45° walls, a railing at the perimeter of the roof, and a large 12 pane fixed window in the center. The structure continues on two levels to the back with a shallow gable end, another tower with an observatory dome on top, and a flat section of roof with a wood railing in the center of the house volume. The stair volume used to access the dome is expressed on the rear of the structure. A number of metal chimneys project from various areas of the roof. A rear porch with simple details sits on the rear east end with a large gable with shed roof 3-car garage.
22. Architectural style/building type: Late Victorian
23. Landscaping or special setting features: Original stone steps from the street to sidewalk; large lilac at east side of the house; several large cottonwoods along the front, planted recently; several lilac shrubs within the site.
24. Associated buildings, features, or objects: Victorian style structure sits on the northeast rear of the site.

**IV. Architectural History**

25. Date of Construction: Estimate 1881 Actual \_\_\_\_\_  
Source of information: Sanborn & Sons Insurance Maps
26. Architect: Unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
27. Builder/Contractor: Unknown  
Source of information: \_\_\_\_\_
28. Original owner: James W. McGee  
Source of information: Pitkin County Assessor



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29. Construction history (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Early enlargement, pre-1890. Observatory tower, roof deck, rear addition, shed addition, metal balcony rails, all dates unknown, between 1960 and 1980
30. Original location ☒ Moved ☐ Date of move(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**V. Historical Associations**

31. Original use(s): Domestic
32. Intermediate use(s): \_\_\_\_\_
33. Current use(s): Domestic
34. Site type(s): Residential Neighborhood, Edge of Commercial Core
35. Historical background: This structure fits into the broad context of mining era residential structures in Aspen. It size and complexity are evidence of the complex society which developed during the mining era.
36. Sources of information: Pitkin County Courthouse records; Sanborn and Sons Insurance Maps; 1990 and 1980 City of Aspen Survey of Historic Sites and Structures

**VI. Significance**

37. Local landmark designation: Yes ☐ No ☒ Date of designation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Designating authority: \_\_\_\_\_
38. Applicable National Register Criteria:
- ☐ A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
- ☐ B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- ☒ C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- ☐ D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory.
- ☐ Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual)
- ☐ Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria
39. Area(s) of significance: Architecture
40. Period of significance: Late 1800's Silver Mining Era
41. Level of significance: National ☐ State ☐ Local ☒
42. Statement of significance: The structure is indicative of an upper-class lifestyle during the mining era; the materials and craftsmanship available; and the fashion of the time.

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43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance: Alterations and decorative additions have obscured some of the character of the original structure; the overall surface, and pattern are intact, however, additions add complexity to the massing.

**VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment**

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible ☐ Not Eligible ☒ Need Data ☐

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes ☐ No ☒

Discuss: \_\_\_\_\_

If there is National Register district potential, is this building: Contributing ☐ Noncontributing ☐

46. If the building is in existing National Register district, is it: Contributing ☐ Noncontributing ☐

**VIII. Recording Information**

47. Photograph numbers: R11; F22, 24 Negatives filed at: Aspen/Pitkin Community Development Dept.

48. Report title: City of Aspen Update of Survey of Historic Sites and Structures, 2000

49. Date(s): 6/29/2000 50. Recorder(s): Suzannah Reid and Patrick Duffield

51. Organization: Reid Architects

52. Address: 412 North Mill Street, PO Box 1303, Aspen CO 81612

53. Phone number(s): 970 920 9225

NOTE: Please attach a sketch map, a photocopy of the USGS quad. map indicating resource location, and photographs.

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