

Rising Sun Tavern  
158 Shore Road (U.S. Route 9)  
at Rising Sun Drive  
Ocean View  
Cape May County  
New Jersey

HABS No. NJ-755

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE New Jersey	COUNTY Cape May	TOWN OR VICINITY Ocean View
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Rising Sun Tavern		HABS NO. NJ-755
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 158 Shore Road (U.S. Route 9) at Rising Sun Drive		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) uncertain: Bassett says 1826 NJ Hist. Sites Eval. says late 18th cent.	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Bassett says James Ludlam was builder. NJ Hist. Sites Eval. says Charles Ludlam.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Interesting example of an early tavern, which still retains many of the characteristics unique to an inn.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Vernacular		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Frame, sheathed in clapboards. Brick and stone foundation.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 2-1/2 stories; L-shaped; gable roof.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Early woodwork including rows of coat pegs; original hardware; wide horizontal wooden panelling; second floor sleeping rooms are small, reflecting original tavern use.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Central section of building is oldest portion; both north and south sections were added (the south section being moved to the site from the town of Clermont.)		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Bassett, William B. Historic American Buildings Survey of New Jersey. 1977. New Jersey Historical Sites Evaluation Work Sheet. 1961.		
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