

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0412385711

Address: 111 Mercer Street
Current Name: Grant Street SaloonBlock: 661 Lot: 20-24 Lot size: 23 ft. x 47 ft.
Height: 3 Materials: Brick
Condition: Good Owner: Mr. Kimos & wf. Nancy
Use: Commercial Accessible: Yes, unrestricted
Designation: Liber/Folio: WA 3925/200Historic Name:
Date: 1905
Architect/Builder: Elicott & Emmart
Style (if appropriate):

Description:

The commercial building at 111 Mercer Street which fronts on Water and Grant Streets is a two bay wide, three story high brick structure. The first story features a double door main entrance with a transom above and black wood trim. To the right side there is a six over six window. The brick building walls surmount a four foot concrete base. The second and third stories have one over one rectangular windows set in segmental arches with brick voussoirs above. A narrow brick stringcourse runs between the second and third story but stops before the edge of the building. At the roofline there is a simple wood cornice with scroll consoles and a brick parapet extending two feet above the cornice.

Significance:

Area: architecture & local history

Level: local

The structure at 111 Mercer Street has relatively simple architectural features, yet it is significant for its contribution to the historic character of Water Street, now referred to as the Water Street Mews. Specifically, the 20th century warehouse style of all the buildings on the north side of the 100 block of Water Street are unique in their location, surrounded by the much larger, individualistic styled commercial buildings of the Financial District. In addition, the building is located on the last extant boundary of the original Baltimore Town, Water Street, which defined the northern edge of the harbor in 1729. This particular building was designed in 1905 by Elicott and Emmart and it is in good condition.

Sources: BDR 10/14/1905; BDR 1/6/1906.
Surveyor and Date: Caroline Hardy, May 1985



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111 Mercer Street
Financial District-Metrocenter Survey
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Fred Shoken
Date: October 1983
Neg. loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
Southeast corner view