



Princeton New Jersey Mid-Century Modern Gem

\$739,000

Address:
144 Drakes Corner Road Princeton,
08540 New Jersey

Bedrooms: 4

Bathrooms: 3

Restore or add to this gem of a house on the Princeton Ridge. This 1959 mid-century modern has the bones of a Frank Lloyd Wright "Usonian House." In fact, the owners' lore tells us that the house design was by an apprentice of Frank Lloyd Wright, first built on the Connecticut shore and then duplicated on this property on the Princeton Ridge by the same party. Research indicates that the designer may have been Allan J. Gelbin of Connecticut, an apprentice of Wright's at Taliesin East from 1949-1953. The Princeton on-site architect was Elizabeth Reilly Moynahan, an esteemed graduate of the Harvard GSD. The 1971 addition to the north was designed by J. Robert Hillier. The lot is rare and breathtaking. Nearly three acres of majestic ancient eastern woodlands unfolds due south from the house's generous outdoor decks and with an elevation drop of about forty feet. The house is one story, and anchored in the hillside of boulders with the principal rooms facing south, creating the impression of a house cantilevering over the property. The house circulates perfectly, with generous architectural flow from living to dining, to three bedrooms, to a galley kitchen and then back again, with constant views to the dense woods beyond. The house features polished blue slate stone floors on a radiant-heated slab, ingenious angled patio doors full of light, deep eaves, and a double-sided fireplace. Imagine restoring this gem of a house for entertainment, while connecting to your adjacent new construction dream house. Imagine the skylit galley kitchen with state-of-the-art appliances. The front bedroom would make an excellent guest suite, home office, art studio, or library, as it is separated from the other living spaces.

MLS #: 6749792

Listing Type: For Sale

Property Type: Residential

Style: Modern

Lot Size (acres): 2.84

Size (square feet): 1,587

Year Built: 1959

Additional Out Buildings:

Submission Date: 07-28-2017

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