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## National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

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### SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

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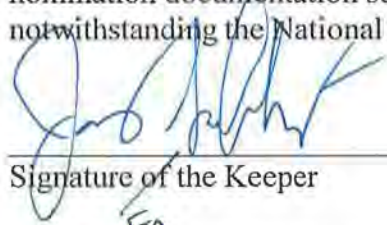
Date Listed: 4/17/2017

Property Name: Imperial Tobacco Company office

County: Lenoir

State: NC

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.



Signature of the Keeper

4-17-2017

Date of Action

Amended Items in Nomination:

#### Section 10: Additional Documentation

The property was previously submitted, and determined eligible, via 36 CFR 67

The North Carolina SHPO was notified of this amendment.

#### **DISTRIBUTION:**

**National Register property file****Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)**

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# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

## 1. Name of Property

Historic name: Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building

Other names/site number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of related multiple property listing: \_\_\_\_\_

Historic and Architectural Resources of Kinston, North Carolina

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)



## 2. Location

Street & number: 426 North Herritage Street

City or town: Kinston

State: NC

County: Lenoir

Not For Publication: ☐ N/A

Vicinity: ☐ N/A

## 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X nomination     request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property X meets     does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

    national     statewide X local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

X A     B X C     D

Heidi Cherry SHPO

2/20/2017

Signature of certifying official/Title:

Date

North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property     meets     does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official:

Date

Title:

State or Federal agency/bureau  
or Tribal Government

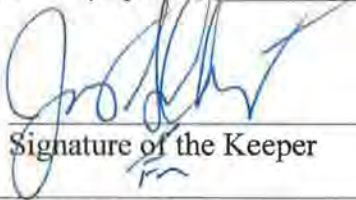
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#### 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- ☒ entered in the National Register  
☐ determined eligible for the National Register  
☐ determined not eligible for the National Register  
☐ removed from the National Register  
☐ other (explain):

  
Signature of the Keeper

4-17-2017

Date of Action

#### 5. Classification

##### Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private: ☒  
Public – Local ☐  
Public – State ☐  
Public – Federal ☐

##### Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s) ☒  
District ☐  
Site ☐  
Structure ☐  
Object ☐

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**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Commerce/Trade: business

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**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Vacant

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## 7. Description

### Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Late 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Revivals

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**Materials:** (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Brick, Rubber Roof

### Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

### Summary Paragraph

The Imperial Tobacco Company building is located at 426 North Herritage Street on the southwest corner of North Herritage Street and West Peyton Avenue, situated in downtown Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina. The office/garage building is located on an eleven-acre parcel, less than one block north of the commercial downtown and south across the street of the residential Mitchelltown Historic District (NR, 1989) to the west.

The circa 1925 Imperial Tobacco Company office, with garage, building is a two-story Romanesque Revival-style influenced red brick structure which features decorative brickwork in the upper walls and cornice. The polygonal shaped building is situated on a triangular parcel bounded by North Herritage Street to the east, West Peyton Avenue to the north, and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad track, currently the North Carolina Railroad Company (NCRR) corridor, to the south. Two distinctive entrances to the historic office area of the building are located on the east facade. Today, the building consists of two garage areas with entrances on the north and west elevation and five apartments on both stories in the east portion of the building and on the second story in the west portion. Wide vehicle doors accessing the garage areas are located on the north and west elevations. A mix of classical style entrances and medieval-inspired

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brickwork, including corbels, recessed panels, and the crenellated roofline define the eclectic architectural characteristics of the Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building.

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## Narrative Description

### Exterior:

The circa 1925, two-story brick Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building nearly fills the .11 acre triangular-shaped lot resulting in a polygonal shaped building. A concrete sidewalk with curb extends along the north and east sides of the parcel with three sloped sections that provide access into the garage space from the north elevation. A gravel driveway on the west corner of the parcel provides access to a secondary garage.

The 27,750 square foot office/garage building consists of two two-story sections, with a narrow gap between the front section and a one-story power-source room to the west. The building is nine bays long east to west, four bays wide on the east façade, and only one bay deep on the west.

The north, south, and east elevations are parallel to the parcel line set back approximately eight feet from Peyton Avenue (north) and Herritage Street (east), and approximately fifteen feet from the railroad tracks on the south. The west elevation is set back approximately twenty-five feet from the west point of the triangular parcel line.

The flat-roofed building is constructed of loadbearing masonry walls with concrete roof coping, and a brick foundation with a five-course common bond pattern. The building's entrances include two main entrances on the primary (east) elevation; three large openings with original operable garage doors on the north elevation; and one large opening with a later garage door on the west elevation.

The unusual trapezoid, flat-iron shaped building resulted in elaborate detailing of the masonry at all corners of the building. An interesting aspect of the building's masonry is the elaborate corbeled cornice consisting of crenellated battlement corner piers, corbelling, and recessed panels decorated with white stone diamond shapes. The primary east elevation, four bays wide, contains two recessed entrances with the primary to the north and the secondary to the south. The three northern bays are symmetrical with two projecting bays flanking the main entrance bay. The center bay has a single six over six window with stone sill and brick header course at lintels on the second level. The bays to each side of the main entrance bay are identical with paired six over six windows with stone sills on both the first and second level. The recessed bay to the south contains the secondary entrance with a single six over six window with a stone sill and brick header course at lintel on the second level.

The primary entry accessed by concrete stairs includes four pairs of three-quarter pilasters, roundels and a classical cornice. Centered within the pilasters is a wooden two panel door with eight lights in the upper half, and six-light wooden paneled sidelights. The north sidelight has a metal mailbox slot in the lower half. The secondary entry door, accessed by concrete stairs, matches the primary entry door with a molded surround and sheltered by an elaborate round-arch door hood supported by molded scroll consoles.

The north elevation is nine bays long organized in symmetrical groups of three. The three eastern bays have a center paired six over six windows on the first level with a single four over four window on the second level. The two outer bays have single six over six windows on both the first and second level. The three middle bays contain three large vehicle openings, with steel

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lintels on the first level with glazed wooden garage doors. All three garage doors run on independent tracks. The garage doors have diagonal battens with tongue and groove panel fields with the central door being divided into two sections. The second level contains a single center four over four window in the center bay with the two outer bays being identical with single six over six windows. The three western bays on the first level contain a door opening in the east bay. Evidence around the door opening suggests it was originally a window opening. A single six over six window is in each of the two western bays. The second level has a single center four over four window with the two outer bays containing single six over six windows.

The west elevation is one bay with a large opening with steel lintel and new garage door on the first level and a paired six over six window on the second level.

The south elevation is composed of two, two-story sections. The east portion of the south wall is two bays wide with the eastern bay blind. The west bay has a paired six over six window on the first level and a single six over six window on the second level. The west section of the south elevation is canted, separated from the east section by a narrow gap. The approximately five-foot-wide gap is recessed approximately twenty feet to house a metal non-functioning stair that stops short of a new brick balcony leading to the deck on the second level. The one-story heater room has two single six over six windows on the east end with one small opening just west of center. The two-story section located above the heater room is four bays wide with unevenly spaced single six over six windows. The west portion of the south wall is four bays wide with six over six windows.

### Interior:

The building was first converted into apartments in the 1980s with the second rehab in 2016. The original floor plan remains intact. The interior of the building retains much of its original floor plan which includes a mix of both large and small rooms on the first floor, and a single, double-loaded corridor with adjoining rooms with adjacent bathrooms, on the second floor. The 2016 rehabilitation converted the first floor into a two-bedroom apartment accessed from the center front entrance on the east elevation. This entrance opens into a foyer with an adjacent living/dining room to the north occupying almost one-third of the original office portion of the building. A new kitchen and two bedrooms with six smaller rooms (consisting of closets, bathroom, toilet room, and shower room) and one original staircase in the southeast corner fill the remainder of the first floor. The current kitchen replaced an earlier kitchen from the 1980s and is located adjacent to the living/dining room west of the foyer and separated by a small hallway. The hallway begins at the living/dining room and continues south terminating at one of the two bedrooms. The second bedroom is accessed from the south portion of the hallway and is situated between the foyer and the staircase in the southeast corner. This space most likely originally functioned as a large conference area with adjacent offices for the president of the company and additional staff.

The entire first floor, with the exception of the bathroom and shower room, has original wood floors with modern gypsum board walls and ceiling. The kitchen finishes include new wood cabinetry. The bathroom has a tiled shower and tiled floor with new plumbing fixtures. The southeast staircase is complete with original millwork including: wood treads, baseboards, and newel post column with the underside of the stairs finished with bead board. The counterclockwise switchback stair has four winders at the bottom and intermediate landing location with two winders at the top landing.



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The rear (western) utilitarian portion of the first floor consist of an unfinished garage area with exposed brick walls which occupies approximately three-fourths of the building footprint. The garage was originally a single space with an exposed steel column structure and four garage doors. In modern times prior to the rehab, the garage had been divided into two large spaces with two concrete block walls running north/south in line with the existing metal structural system. Between the two concrete block walls, is a new wooden staircase that leads to the second floor. It replaced a midcentury metal stair in the 2016 rehabilitation. South of the east garage space is the original "heater" or power room. This room is accessed from the main garage by a door and has two by six stud furring finishing the exposed brick walls. It now serves as a storage space.

The second floor is arranged with an "L" shaped double-loaded corridor with thirteen main rooms and six bathrooms. The second floor most likely originally functioned as short term lodging for company employees with sleeping rooms with adjacent bathrooms with toilet and shower. The second level, retaining its corridor, has since been converted into five apartments as a part of the 2016 rehabilitation. The majority of the second floor has original wood floors with modern gypsum board walls and ceiling throughout. One bedroom is carpeted and one kitchen is tiled where original floors were unsalvageable as the result of earlier vinyl flooring. The bathrooms have a tiled shower surround with tub and tiled floor with new plumbing fixtures. The kitchen finishes include new wood cabinetry. At the southwest corner of the office section is a non-functional exterior metal staircase. This original staircase located in a recessed area of the south elevation originally provided exterior entry to the second level from a landing on the east side of the north-south portion of the corridor. The stair is in its original location stopping short of the landing connecting the office (east) and deck (west) portion on the second level. On the west end of the east-west corridor, one of the original rooms had been rearranged to allow for a third modern metal staircase to access the garage below; this stair was replaced with a new wooden staircase in the 2016 rehab due to code requirements.

Finishes include wood floors on the first and second floors, some original baseboards remain in place in the stairwell and small closets with new additional molding to match. Most of the original doors and almost all of the original casework were removed previously with only a handful of original four-panel doors and two door casings remaining. The 2016 rehab replaced 1980s millwork to match the original, retaining existing four-panel doors and adding new six panel doors where needed.



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## 8. Statement of Significance

### Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- ☐ A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

### Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ☐ A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- ☐ B. Removed from its original location
- ☐ C. A birthplace or grave
- ☐ D. A cemetery
- ☐ E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- ☐ F. A commemorative property
- ☐ G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

### Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture

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**Period of Significance**

ca. 1925

**Significant Dates**

ca. 1925

**Significant Person**

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

Unknown

**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The circa 1925 Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building is a two-story brick building located just outside of Kinston's central commercial district. It is one of the few historic tobacco-related buildings in Kinston from the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries when tobacco was the leading cash crop in eastern North Carolina. It is also the only remaining Imperial Tobacco Company historic building left standing from the much larger tobacco processing facility in Kinston.

Context III, "Kinston's Era of Accelerating Prosperity, 1890-1941," on pages B-9 to B-19 in "Historic and Architectural Resources of Kinston, North Carolina" (MPDF) provides historic context for the introduction and significance of bright leaf tobacco cultivation and its effects on the development of Kinston as a major competitor in the tobacco market. Architectural context for industrial building design is found on page F-3 to F-5. The Imperial Tobacco Company office building fits under Property Type II, "Late 19<sup>th</sup>/Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century Commercial

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and Industrial Buildings,” on pages F-3 to F-5, and meets the Registration Requirements on pages F-5-6. The Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building retains sufficient architectural integrity from the period of significance.

The Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building is significant on the local level under Criterion C as an exuberant example of early twentieth century, medieval and classical-inspired eclectic industrial architecture. The loadbearing wall brick construction, highly finished classical style entrances, robust Romanesque Revival/medieval-inspired ornate brickwork, and the unusual trapezoid building massing are the distinguishing features of this important industrial design.

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**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

The Imperial Tobacco Company of Great Britain and Ireland was established in 1901 by thirteen family-run businesses to prevent James Buchanan Duke’s repeated attempts at taking over British tobacco companies during the late nineteenth century.<sup>1</sup> Duke’s position as president of the American Tobacco Company, headquartered in Durham, North Carolina, along with his aggressive approach, “...created a virtual monopoly for the company in the United States.”<sup>2</sup> In order to prevent Duke from taking over the industry in Great Britain, thirteen family-run tobacco businesses joined forces to create the Imperial Tobacco Company of Great Britain and Ireland.<sup>3</sup>

The Imperial Tobacco Company, which by 1902 was already established in Durham, traditionally purchased high-priced, high-quality leaf in the United States. Realizing the potential of eastern North Carolina’s ability to produce much of the state’s tobacco crop, by 1903 the company had four additional tobacco warehouses in eastern North Carolina.

The Imperial Tobacco Company established major bright leaf tobacco processing plants in Rocky Mount, 1903 (Rocky Mount Central City Historic District, NR, 1980) Wilson, 1903 (Wilson Central Business-Tobacco Warehouse Historic District, NR, 1984), Greenville, 1902 (Dickinson Avenue Historic District, NR, 2007), Durham (Bright Leaf Historic District, NR, 1999) and Kinston. The company’s processing plant in Kinston was completed by 1902 and by the early 1910s the facility’s capacity had doubled.<sup>4</sup> In 1911, an anti-trust ruling in the United States split the American Tobacco Company into four of the nation’s largest tobacco manufacturers.<sup>5</sup> This resulted in increased competition and a rise in tobacco prices generating an astounding growth of eastern North Carolina’s tobacco industry. The Imperial Tobacco Company began expanding their facilities in the 1910s and by 1914, Kinston had one of the largest bright leaf tobacco markets in the world.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>“History.” Imperial Tobacco Group PLC. 2015. Accessed October 10, 2016.

<http://www.imperialbrandsplc.com/About-us/Our-history>

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>4</sup>M. Ruth Little, *Coastal Plains and Fancy* (Lenoir County Historical Association, 1998), 128.

<sup>5</sup> “History.”

<sup>6</sup> Little, 128.

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Between 1920 and 1925, Imperial Tobacco Company constructed a two-story brick office/garage building, on the west side of Herritage Street, opposite the factory. An exact construction date has not been determined, but Lenoir County deeds indicate that the parcel was purchased by the Imperial Tobacco Company in April of 1920 and the building was constructed by 1925 as evidenced by the June 1925 Sanborn map.

In the 1930s over ten tobacco-related buildings were located north, west, and east of the business district. By the 1950s, the tobacco companies collectively had expanded to include fourteen tobacco warehouses and seven processing plants. By the third quarter of the twentieth-century, Kinston was no longer at the top of the tobacco market because it had fallen behind Rocky Mount, Wilson, and Greenville, as these towns had gained greater stature in the tobacco market due to larger facilities.<sup>7</sup> By the end of the twentieth century, Kinston had lost its tobacco market town atmosphere. With only one other historic tobacco-related building left in Kinston (American Tobacco Company Prizery, 1901, NR, 2005), the Imperial Tobacco Company office building stands among a short list of extant tobacco buildings.

The chain of title for the Imperial Tobacco Company office building property shows that it was purchased by the company from Pinkney Arthur on April 22, 1920. The company retained the building until it was sold to E. L. Scott and J. Louis Rapier on July 12, 1961. E. L. Scott transferred the property to E. L. Scott Roofing in 1968 and sold the property in 1969 to James D. Sutton Jr. and James B. Wade. In 1972, James Wade became the sole owner of the property until 1993 when it was purchased by T & P Investments, Inc. The property returned to Wade in 1995 and remained there until the current owner, Hill Realty, LLC, purchased the property in 2013.

According to interviews with local businessmen, during the 1970s and 80s the building functioned as offices for Sutton Insurance, Kinston Construction, and Kinston Realty. The company names were painted on the building's south wall prior to the 2016 rehabilitation. In the 1980s-90s, the building was converted into apartments. This modification mainly included the installation of new suspended ceilings, new HVAC and updating plumbing systems throughout including the addition of a kitchen on the first level, and the furring out of wall surfaces for new gypsum board walls. The building became vacant prior 2003 and was eventually sold in 2013 to the present owner who recently had much of the modifications associated with the 1980s-90s apartments removed and utilized the building layout to configure five apartments.

#### Criterion C – Architectural Significance

Kinston's Imperial Tobacco Company office building is significant on the local level under Criterion C as an exuberant example of early-twentieth-century, eclectic classical and medieval-inspired industrial architecture. Much of the industrial architecture during the early twentieth-century consisted of massive brick buildings that "...blended the demands of factory organization with European antecedents and virtuoso displays of the bricklayer's art."<sup>8</sup> The Imperial Tobacco Company Office building exhibits ornate brickwork and other stylistic forms and elements applied to medieval-inspired architecture associated with the tobacco industry. As stated in *North Carolina Architecture*, this attention to detail displayed "The inherent decorative

<sup>7</sup> Ibid, 129.

<sup>8</sup> Catherine W. Bishir, *North Carolina Architecture*, (Chapel Hill, NC: University of North Carolina, 2005), 431.



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capacities of brick [that] combined well with the Romanesque style in familiar bricklayers' techniques."<sup>9</sup>

Found in a variety of building types associated with the tobacco industry, "Tobacco architecture created its own synthesis of functionalism, exuberant brickwork, and medieval-inspired historicism."<sup>10</sup> This can be found in the Imperial Tobacco Company, which utilized elaborate ornate corbelled building ornament for many of its facilities. This is evidenced by the office building (ca. 1923) that was at its facilities in Greenville, Pitt County (Dickinson Ave. Historic District), and its factory building (1916) in Durham, Durham County (Bright Leaf Historic District).

Kinston's Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building shares a number of design similarities with the Greenville and Durham facilities. All three buildings have similar ornate classical-inspired entrances, with the Kinston office entrances designed with a sidelighted main entrance with a round pilastered surround, and a stair tower entrance with an ornate arched hood supported by elaborate scrolled consoles. Single and paired flat-arch windows with contrasting gray colored stone sills are on both the Greenville and Kinston buildings. Each of the three flat-roofed buildings is noteworthy for its elaborate brick Romanesque Revival style corbelling at the cornice which was inspired by medieval architecture.

The Kinston Imperial Tobacco Office Building design is architecturally significant for a number of distinctive features. First, the corbelling wraps around the entire building and displays corner battlement piers and recessed panels decorated with inlaid diamonds of white stone. The building's complex exterior massing includes a façade stair tower expressed as a separate mass, two projecting façade bays that flank the recessed center entrance, and a large garage that occupies the narrow, flat-iron shaped rear portion of the building. The building mass and roofline displays a fortress-like appearance and it emphasizes the substantial crenellated cornice/roofline. The robust brickwork adds a level of masonry craftsmanship and creates an unusual exterior finish for the overall building form. The classical entrance surrounds found on the east façade add an eclectic mix of ornamentation to the Romanesque Revival style of the building and clearly articulate the east wall as the main point of entry.

In addition to the building mass and exterior details, the original function and layout of the building is significant to the overall design. The Imperial Tobacco Office Building is actually an industrial building with three separate but distinct functions. Not only did the building contain ground floor office spaces at the east end of the building, it utilized the rear portion of the building for a garage. Also, the entire second floor of the building served as rooms for visiting company employees. The utilitarian element of the garage, the formal qualities of the office space, and the residential nature of the second floor are indicative of the various functions of this industrial building. Finally, the building clearly reflects the Imperial Tobacco Company's powerful design image that it wanted to project at the time of the tobacco company's expansion into several North Carolina cities during the 1910s and 1920s.

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<sup>9</sup> Ibid, 432

<sup>10</sup> Ibid, 437

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### Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # \_\_\_\_\_

### Primary location of additional data:

- ☒ State Historic Preservation Office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other
- Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned):** LR0156

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## 10. Geographical Data

**Acreage of Property** .11 acres

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

### Latitude/Longitude Coordinates (decimal degrees)

Datum if other than WGS84: \_\_\_\_\_

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

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| 2. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 4. Latitude: | Longitude: |

**Or**

### UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

☒ NAD 1927 or ☐ NAD 1983

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| 3. Zone:   | Easting:        | Northing:         |
| 4. Zone:   | Easting:        | Northing:         |

### Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building National Register acreage is located at the southwest corner of West Peyton Avenue and North Herritage Street, tax parcel #14169.

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**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The nominated property is limited to the Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building's historic lot and current tax parcel.

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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date: November, 2016

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**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A USGS map or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

**Photographs**

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

**Photo Log**

Name of Property: Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building



Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building

Name of Property

City or Vicinity: Kinston

Lenoir, NC

County and State

County: Lenoir

State: North Carolina

Photographer: Jamie Dail

Date Photographed: January 13, 2017

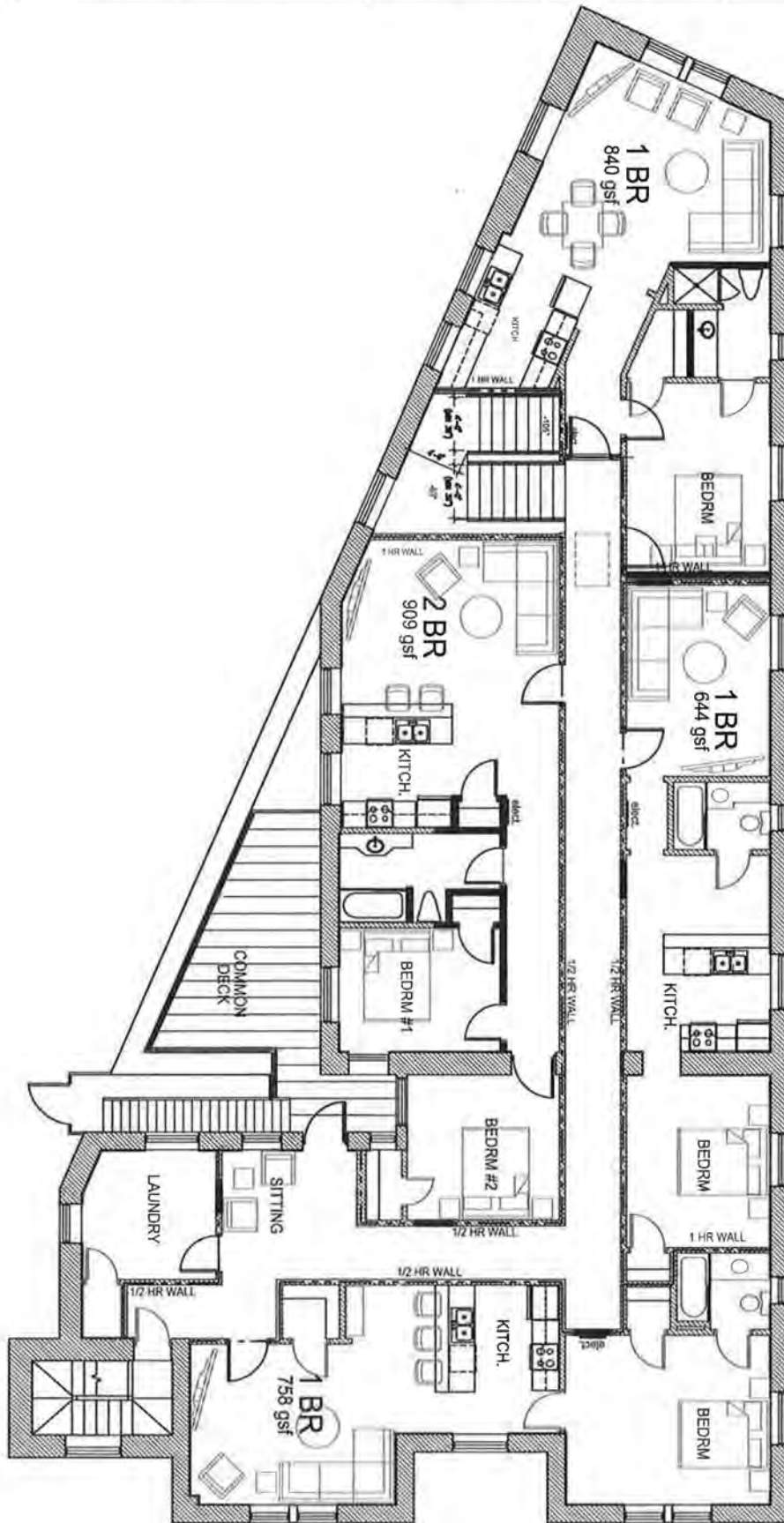
Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

1 of 10.

1. Façade, looking west
2. Façade and north elevation, looking southwest
3. North and rear elevations, looking southeast
4. Rear and south elevations, looking northeast
5. South entrance, looking west
6. Interior stair, looking northwest
7. First floor interior, looking west
8. Second floor apartment interior, east end of building looking north
9. Second floor interior, north-south corridor, looking north
10. First floor garage, looking west

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## SECOND FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0" NORTH

**A0.2**

DATE: 11-13-15

**DUNN & DALTON**  
ARCHITECTS

426 North Heritage Street  
Kinston, North Carolina 28501  
252-527-1523 252-527-0049 fax

**IMPERIAL TOBACCO COMPANY OFFICE BUILDING**  
426 N. HERITAGE ST.  
KINSTON, NC  
Project Number: H11-13057







Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building  
426 N. Heritage St.  
Kinston, NC  
— = National Register Boundary

















































UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: Nomination

Property Name: Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building

Multiple Name: Kinston MPS

State & County: NORTH CAROLINA, Lenoir

Date Received: 3/3/2017      Date of Pending List:      Date of 16th Day:      Date of 45th Day: 4/17/2017      Date of Weekly List:

Reference number: MP100000898

Nominator: State

Reason For Review:

<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PDIL	<input type="checkbox"/> Text/Data Issue
<input type="checkbox"/> SHPO Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Photo
<input type="checkbox"/> Waiver	<input type="checkbox"/> National	<input type="checkbox"/> Map/Boundary
<input type="checkbox"/> Resubmission	<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Resource	<input type="checkbox"/> Period
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> TCP	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 50 years
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLG	

☒ Accept      ☐ Return      ☐ Reject      4/17/2017 Date

Abstract/Summary Comments: Meets the registration requirements of the MPS  
Regional headquarters/office building for one of the larger tobacco buyers

Recommendation/ Criteria: Accept / C

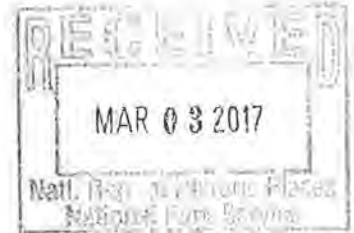
Reviewer Jim Gabbert      Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2275      Date \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION:      see attached comments : No      see attached SLR : yes

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.





**North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources**  
**State Historic Preservation Office**

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Office of Archives and History  
Deputy Secretary Kevin Cherry

February 23, 2017

Ms. Stephanie Toothman, Keeper  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
1201 Eye Street NW (2208) Eighth Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: Little River High School – Durham County  
Green Hill Cemetery – Haywood County  
Imperial Tobacco Company Office Building – Lenoir County  
Elizabeth Wright Prince House – Macon County  
SS. Peter and Paul's Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church – Pender County

Dear Ms. Toothman:

Enclosed are the above referenced nominations to be approved for the National Register of Historic Places.

We trust you will find the nominations to be in order. If you have any questions please call Ann Swallow, 919.807.6587.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kevin Cherry".

Kevin Cherry, Ph.D.  
State Historic Preservation Officer

KC/jct: enclosure