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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES Ala. Historical Commission
REGISTRATION FORM

AGENCY RESOURCES DIVISION
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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. 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. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Pickens County Courthouse

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number At intersection of Alabama Highway 17, not for publication N/A
Phoenix Street (County Road 35), Tuscaloosa Street
(Alabama Highway 86)

city or town Carrollton vicinity N/A

state Alabama code AL county Pickens code 107 zip code 35447

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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 ___ nationally ___ statewide X locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)


Signature of certifying official

4-7-94
Date

Alabama Historical Commission (State Historic Preservation Office)
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.
(___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the
National Register
See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the
National Register
- removed from the National Register

Edson H. Beall 5.19.94

other (explain): _____

for Entered in the
National Register
Signature of Keeper

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

Number of Resources within Property

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

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

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

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: <u>Government</u>	Sub: <u>Courthouse</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
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Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: <u>Government</u>	Sub: <u>Courthouse</u>
_____	_____
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_____	_____

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick
roof Tin
walls Brick

other Stucco
wood

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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 a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Politics/Government
Architecture

Period of Significance 1877 - 1944

Significant Dates 1877

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

F.M. Rousseau (Builder)

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS) N/A

- 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 # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: Probate office Pickens County

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 0.74 acres

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1	<u>16</u>	<u>398,000</u>	<u>3680650</u>	3	—	—	—
2	—	—	—	4	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> See continuation sheet.							

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Pickens County Commission

street & number P.O. Box 460 telephone (205) 367-2020

city or town Carrollton state AL zip code 35447

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The Pickens County Courthouse built in 1877 (after fires destroyed two other original buildings) is located in Carrollton, Alabama on part of an original 80 acres granted to Pickens County by the United States government by a land grant on January 4, 1831. The Courthouse is located in the center of the County on a square - all sides looking out over the downtown area of rural Carrollton. A modest cultivated lawn surrounds the building with sidewalks leading to each side of the Courthouse.

The building is a two story symmetrical brick building with a partial basement. A white stucco finish, which encircles the building, was applied to the exterior from the ground level to approximately 3 feet above ground level in 1949. It gives the courthouse the appearance of having a raised basement. The building has a gabled roof. The original metal sheeting was coated with felt and tarred and painted in the restoration of 1949. The overhanging eaves are supported by pairs of heavy carved brackets. Each side of the building is adorned with a porch supported by 4 columns (originals replaced in 1949 of the same style and design), two of which are used for entrances. Cast iron bases were replaced but the existing capitals are original. The double door entrances have transoms and sidelights topped with a lintel. The porch decks are copper. A continuous cornice band surrounds the building. Twenty six four over four double-hung windows have carved ornamentally arched window heads and wooden sills. Four brick chimneys originally rose through the roof plane, two on the east side and two on the west side, however, during the restoration of 1949 all four were removed, and one new chimney was built, being carefully constructed with the same details as the old chimneys. On the northeast end of the building, there is a cellar bulkhead. On each exterior corner are block corner quoins. All original gutters were iron with a zinc or tin coating. In 1949 the copper gutters in bad condition were removed and replaced of the same size and design.

The interior of the Courthouse is basically the same today as when built in 1877 with the exception of two rest rooms which were added during the restoration in 1949. The building is completely framed. The basement was originally excavated approximately 6'-6" below the bottom of the joists. Additional excavation was undertaken in 1949 to carry the floor down to accommodate a heating system and a coal room. The floor of the coal room slopes down to a door which leads into the basement. A coal chute was added with a hopper and concrete stairs were added in 1949 to allow entrance to the basement from a rest room on the first floor. All mantles, fireplace fixtures, and brick hearths and brick openings were closed and plastered due to the deterioration of the brick structures.

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The exterior doors open into a spacious center hall. Two circular staircases with turned balusters and shaped handrails lead to the second floor. The floors are varnished hardwood with the exception of the central hall, the rest rooms and the vault which are tile. A circle head opening to the court room on the second floor was replaced by double doors. Three risers of 7" each existed in the Court Room on the second floor forming a raised floor 30 feet wide. Because the flooring material needed to be replaced, this was removed in 1949 down to the subfloor and filled in to bring it up to the level of the existing floor level and new hardwood floors were installed. During the progress of this work a concrete slab was poured over a Record Vault which is on the first floor. Two original pilasters are located on the south wall of the Court Room and two new pilasters were added directly opposite the south wall during restoration. Also, false beams were constructed in the ceiling of the Court Room, and a raised platform of two risers for the Jury Box was constructed. In some areas where wainscoting was removed, the original brick walls are in place. An original brick wall is exposed in the Circuit Clerk's office, otherwise all walls are plaster covered.

The rehabilitation work performed in 1949 was due to deterioration of materials and to add rest rooms. Despite these alterations, the Pickens County Courthouse retains a high degree of architectural integrity. It is representative of late nineteenth century Italianate civic architecture.

In July 1993, 8 black ornamental lamp posts with globe lights were purchased by the Town of Carrollton and placed on all four sides of the Courthouse square.

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CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION/AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Criterion A: Politics/Government:

The Pickens County Courthouse is historically significant for its long association with the development of political and governmental activities in the county. The structure, well preserved, continues to serve Pickens County in the same capacity today.

Criterion C: Architecture:

The Courthouse is representative of a public building utilizing the Italianate style. Its broad overhanging eaves with double brackets, the arched windows with heavy hood molds, the one story porches and the low-pitched gable roof display these Italianate characteristics.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY:

Alabama was admitted into the Union on March 2, 1819. The County of Pickens was created on December 19, 1820 by act of the second legislature which met at Cahaba on the first Monday in November 1820. Prior to the organization of the County of Pickens, it was part of Tuscaloosa County. Pickens County was the 30th of 52 counties.¹

The first settlement was made by Josiah Tilly in 1817 near Pickensville.² The earliest settlers were reported to be originally from South Carolina coming down the Tennessee River into North Alabama. As early as 1805 the settlers were permitted a horse path through the Creek nation. In 1811 this path was expanded into a road by federal troops and settlers came into the county in easier style. The great majority of the immigrants were concerned with the land, expecting to make money by growing cotton. Merchants reportedly sold their wares for many times their cost. A good river was there to depend upon to take their surplus goods to market.

¹ Nelson Smith, History of Pickens County, Alabama; From its first settlement in eighteen hundred and seventeen, to eighteen hundred and fifty-six. (Spartanburg, South Carolina: The Reprint Company Publishers, 1980) p. 23, 24.

² Clanahan, James F., The History of Pickens County. 1540-1920. (Carrollton, AL: Clanahan Publications, 1964) p. 12-13

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The first election precinct established after the creation of the county was at the extra legislative session of June 21, 1821 at the Cox house near Coalfire Creek. Additional precincts were created as the population grew.³

The first Court in the County was held at Pickensville in the house of Jacob Dansby. Since there were no Commissioners of Roads and Revenue as there are today, the court took care of a large amount of business. Civil court was held. Commissioners of Roads and Revenue were, however, elected in 1822, and the old court was abolished.

The immigrants suffered the usual privations to a new country; they had rough houses with little or no shelter for their livestock. They had no mills, in the beginning, to grind their corn. Cotton was the easiest means of ready cash. Mills were later erected; society built up in small villages and neighborhoods.

The land grants made during 1821 show that the nucleus of the county was near Pickensville. No county in the State of Alabama probably thrived better than Pickens in its first forty years. The first Courthouse and jail of the County was built in 1821 in the Town of Pickensville.

On January 4, 1831, the U.S. Government granted to the County Commissioners, 80 acres of land as near as possible in the center of the county for a seat of justice. Carrollton, AL was designated as the community to house the County Courthouse. Named for Charles Carroll, signer of the Declaration of Independence, this community serves as the governmental center of the County. Growth of Carrollton and the design of that community were influenced by the fact that the Courthouse was to be built there. The street pattern and plan (square) of Carrollton reflects the importance of the building. The Court immediately set about the task of clearing the site for a new Courthouse and jail.

The first Carrollton Courthouse was built in 1840. It was burned by Union troops under orders of General John T. Croxton on April 5, 1865. Records and papers of the Circuit Clerk, the Sheriff, and the County Treasurer were lost to that fire. The raid had no obvious military value.⁴

³ Clanahan, James F., The History of Pickens County. 1540-1920. (Carrollton, AL: Clanahan Publications, 1964) p. 9

⁴ "Report on the Grand Jury", The West Alabamian. Nov. 22, 1865, p. 3

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Because money was scarce, materials were so expensive, and skilled labor was difficult to find, the Courthouse was not rebuilt until 1872, at a cost of approximately \$18,000 - \$20,000.⁵ A special tax of twenty five percent was levied to pay for the new Courthouse. The community of Carrollton developed around the county government. Attorneys located in the town. A grand hotel, the Phoenix Hotel, was built to accommodate the many attorneys and jurors who came to town during sessions of court. The first bank in the County was built in Carrollton. The location of the Courthouse has played a major role in the development of the community's civic life and political activities.

The Courthouse building built in 1872 was burned down on Thursday, November 16, 1876.⁶ In two hours the building was entirely consumed along with all the books and records of the Probate Court. The Sheriff's books and some of the books of the Circuit Clerk's office were saved. The loss to the Circuit Clerk's books was impossible to estimate.

On Monday, December 11, 1876, by Special Term of the Commissioners Court, action was taken to build a new Courthouse.⁷ The Court concluded to build the new Courthouse upon the foundation of the former Courthouse.⁸

Eighteen Seventy Six was a time of great tension in Pickens County. Federal troops were encamped at Carrollton to actively manipulate the elections. The newly freed blacks were marched by the troops to the Courthouse to cast their votes, rather than voting in their home precincts.

⁵ "Burning of our Court-House", The West Alabamian. Nov. 22, 1876, p. 3

⁶ Clanahan, James F., The History of Pickens County. 1540-1920. (Carrollton, AL: Clanahan Publication, 1964) p. 154-155.

⁷ "Special Term of the Commissioners Court", The West Alabamian, Dec. 6, 1876, p. 3

⁸ "Commissioners Court", The West Alabamian, Dec. 13, 1876, p. 3

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Plans and specifications were drawn and proposals to build the new Courthouse were received on April 9, 1877.⁹ F.M. Rosseau of Birmingham, Alabama was awarded the contract for \$11,200.¹⁰ Debris from the old building was removed in May 1877 and the Commissioner's Court authorized the old brick to be cleaned and used in the inside work below the windows of the second floor.

When time came for the laying of the cornerstone, all the Masonic Lodges took part in the ceremony. Bands played. Colonel L.M. Stone, a Legislator from the Alabama Legislature, delivered an address. The courthouse was a source of pride for Pickens County. It symbolized the power of county government and illustrated the prominent role of politics in the lives of the local citizens.

In March of 1878 the Courthouse was completed. By law, it was the duty of the Sheriff to take charge of the maintenance and upkeep of the building. The County Commissioners and the Board of Education were required to meet in the Courthouse.

In July 1948, the Pickens County Commissioners, seeing a need to restore the Courthouse, called for plans and specifications from Architect, Mr. Don Buel Schuyler of Tuscaloosa.¹¹ The court room floor would be replaced; the judge's stand moved from the south side to the east side of the room and the jury box moved to the north of the judge's stand with a door opening directly into the jury room. A central heating system was called for in the plans. The grand jury room downstairs was to be converted to a fire proof vault and rest rooms were to be added. Other routine maintenance was accomplished and none of the rehabilitation work compromised the historical integrity of the building.

⁹ "Sealed Proposals", The West Alabamian, March 14, 1877, p. 3.

¹⁰ "F.M. Rosseau", The West Alabamian, April 18, 1877, p. 2.

¹¹ "Improvements on Courthouse Soon to Be Made", Pickens County Herald & West Alabamian, July 8, 1948, p. 1.

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On July 27, 1948, bids were taken and Andrew and Dawson of Montgomery, Alabama was awarded the contract in the amount of \$112,900.00. Government bonds in the amount of \$100,000 plus \$6,000 accrued interest and a general fund of \$20,000 was on hand to pay for this restoration.¹²

County officials with offices in the Courthouse moved to the Phoenix Hotel, records were stored in various places in town, and work began. On October 25, 1949, work was completed. The "Face in the Window" was boxed in and was not disturbed. The people of Pickens County were very proud the day the Courthouse opened again, and the Grand Jury commended the county governing body for the restorations project. With change orders to the original bid, the total cost for the restoration was \$150,000 which was paid for in cash by the County.

Major painting and waterproofing of the brick structure was done in 1987. Both the interior and exterior were painted. Floodlights were installed and oak flooring was refinished. The exterior doors of the Courthouse were refinished in the natural grain of the oak wood. Old plaster was removed on the inside section of wall in the Circuit Clerk's office and the original brick wall was exposed.

The Courthouse still retains the architectural integrity that enables it to identify with its past and its character. It is an exceptional example of craftsmanship from an era when materials, money and labor were scarce. When it was being rebuilt in 1877, it was a source of community pride.

It is an ornament to the Town of Carrollton and the County of Pickens. It is the single most important governmental structure in the County. The 100th Anniversary of the Town of Carrollton was celebrated in October 1930 and quite naturally the event took place on the steps of the Courthouse. Congressman J. Lister Hill, from the Second Alabama District, and famous for the Lister Hill Hospital Bill, spoke on October 13, 1930 in the Courthouse.

¹² "Montgomery Firm Got Local Contract", Pickens County Herald and The West Alabamian, July 29, 1948, p. 3.

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The Pickens County Courthouse was the significant resource for all governmental and political life of the community. Many of the activities of Pickens County's favorite sons took place in the Courthouse. Political meetings were held there. It has been in constant use since its construction in 1877. Through its doors passed the first commissioners of the county whose duty it was to meet in the Courthouse. Today it houses county offices, and sessions of district court are held.

Preservation of this old building will be ensured for years to come. A federal grant has been secured by Pickens County and part of these funds (\$50,000) is earmarked for painting and other preservation efforts.

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Inspired by the architecture of the Italian Countryside, the Italianate style appeared in Alabama around 1850 via the British Isles and the East Coast. Samuel Sloan of Philadelphia can claim credit for first introducing the Italian style into Alabama architecture through the Joseph S. Winter residence in Montgomery, circa 1851.¹³

Characteristics of the Italianate style include broad overhanging eaves, with bracketing, arched windows, one-story porches of wood or cast iron with lightweight post supports, and wood construction. Also, there was a preference for low pitched roofs, often combining shallow hipped and gable roofs.¹⁴

The Italianate style was used during the 1850s in civic structures such as Mobile's Phoenix Fire Station and its City Hall. The Italianate style was evident after the Civil War in such public buildings as the Autauga County Courthouse at Prattville, the Pickens County Courthouse at Carrollton, and similar courthouses that once existed in Birmingham, Talladega, and Cullman.¹⁵

¹³ Gamble, Robert S., Historic Architecture in Alabama A Primer of Styles & Types, 1810-1930 University of Alabama Press, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, 1990, p. 93.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, p. 105.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, p. 100, 102.

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PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The period of significance for the Pickens County Courthouse extends from 1877, date of its construction, until 1944, which reflects the National Register's arbitrary 50 year age requirement.

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Carolina: The Reprint Company, Publishers 1980. (A Reprint of the 1856 ed. printed
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Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes the entire parcel historically associated with the Courthouse located on the town square in Carrollton, Alabama.

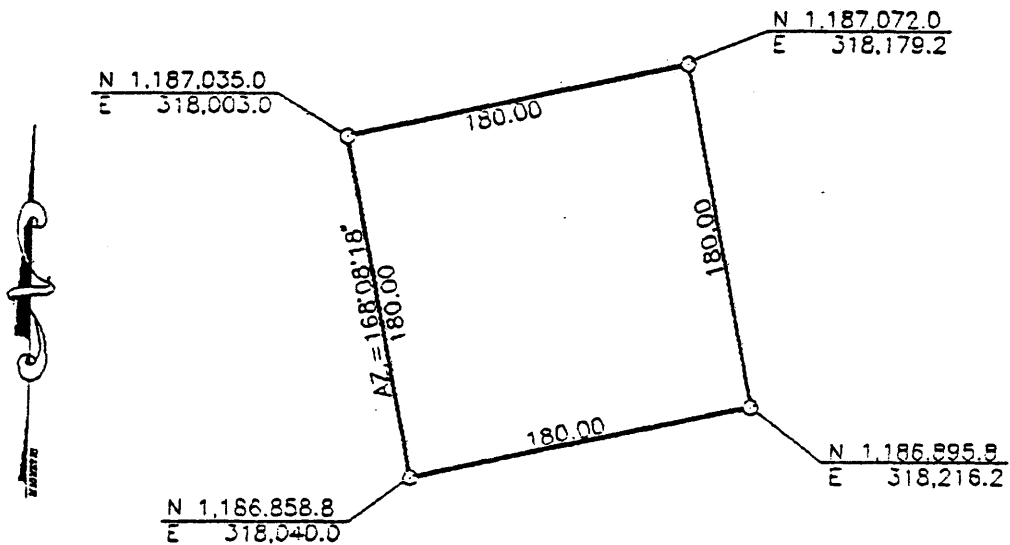
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:



STATE OF ALABAMA)
PICKENS COUNTY)

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 21 South, Range 15 West, Pickens County, Alabama, containing zero and seventy-four hundredths (0.74) acre, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southeast Corner of Lot 75W of Castles Survey of the Town of Carrollton, Alabama, a plat of which is recorded in Map Book 1, at Page 14 in the Probate Office of Pickens County; thence run in a southwesterly direction and along the South boundary line of said lot for a distance of 45.00 feet to a point; thence with a deflection angle of 90°00' to the left, run in a southeasterly direction for a distance of 60.00 feet to the POINT-OF-BEGINNING of the herein described parcel of land; thence continue southeasterly and along same bearing for a distance of 180.00 feet to a point; thence with an interior angle right of 90°00', run in a northeasterly direction for a distance of 115.00 feet to a point; thence with an interior angle right of 171°15', continue northeasterly for a distance of 65.76 feet to a point; thence with an interior angle right of 98°45', run in a northwesterly direction for a distance of 170.00 feet to a point; thence with an interior angle right of 90°00', run in a southwesterly direction for a distance of 180.00 feet to the POINT-OF-BEGINNING.

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Date of Photographs: August 1993
Original Negatives
Located At: Sentell Engineering
639 17th Street
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

	<u>Position of Camera</u>
Photograph No. 1 - East Face of Courthouse	West
Photograph No. 2 - Southeast Corner of Courthouse	Northwest
Photograph No. 3 - Northwest Corner of Courthouse	Southeast
Photograph No. 4 - Foundation Wall in Basement	N/A
Photograph No. 5 - View of Basement	N/A
Photograph No. 6 - Representative Columns on all Porches	N/A
Photograph No. 7 - Representative Columns on all Porches	N/A
Photograph No. 8 - Representative Columns on all Porches	N/A
Photograph No. 9 - Representative Eave, Cornice, Double Brackets on all four side of Courthouse	N/A
Photograph No. 10 - Double Brackets Representative of all four sides of Courthouse	N/A
Photograph No. 11 - Representative of Windows, Headers, Ornamental Railing over porches	N/A
Photograph No. 12 - Corner Stone - NE Corner of Building	Southwest

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Photograph No. 13 - Corner Stone - NE Corner of Building	Southwest
Photograph No. 14 - West Side Porch	East
Photograph No. 15 - Quoins Representative of 4 corners of Building	N/A
Photograph No. 16 - Double Brackets, Quoins	N/A
Photograph No. 17 - Fascia, Quoins	N/A
Photograph No. 18 - Roof of North Porch, Ornamental Rail Around Porch Representative of all Porches	South
Photograph No. 19 - Roof of North Porch, Ornamental Rail Around Porch Representative of all Porches	South
Photograph No. 20 - Ornamental Rail	N/A
Photograph No. 21 - South Entrance	North
Photograph No. 22 - East Door (No Longer an Entrance)	West
Photograph No. 23 - Steps Leading to all porches	N/A
Photograph No. 24 - Entrance doors in Central Hallway looking south	North
Photograph No. 25 - Entrance doors in Central Hallway looking north	South
Photograph No. 26 - Exposed Brick Wall in Circuit Clerk's Office	N/A
Photograph No. 27 - Handrail of Stairs	N/A

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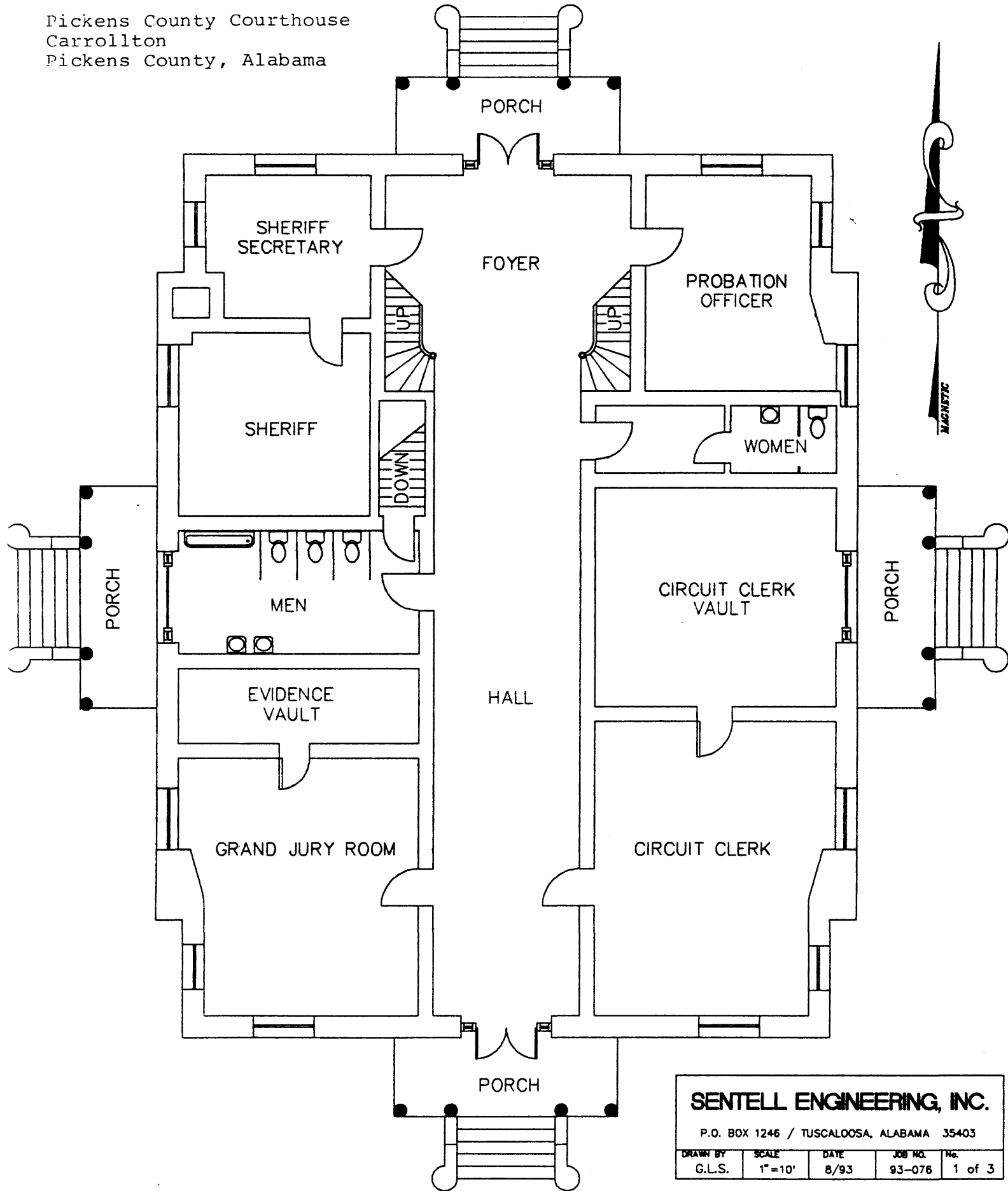
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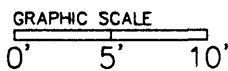
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Photograph No. 31 - Stairs on east side of Building leading to second floor	West
Photograph No. 32 - Stairs on east side of Building leading to second floor	West
Photograph No. 33 - Railing at top of stairs on east side of Building	West
Photograph No. 34 - Court Room/Judge's Bench	N/A
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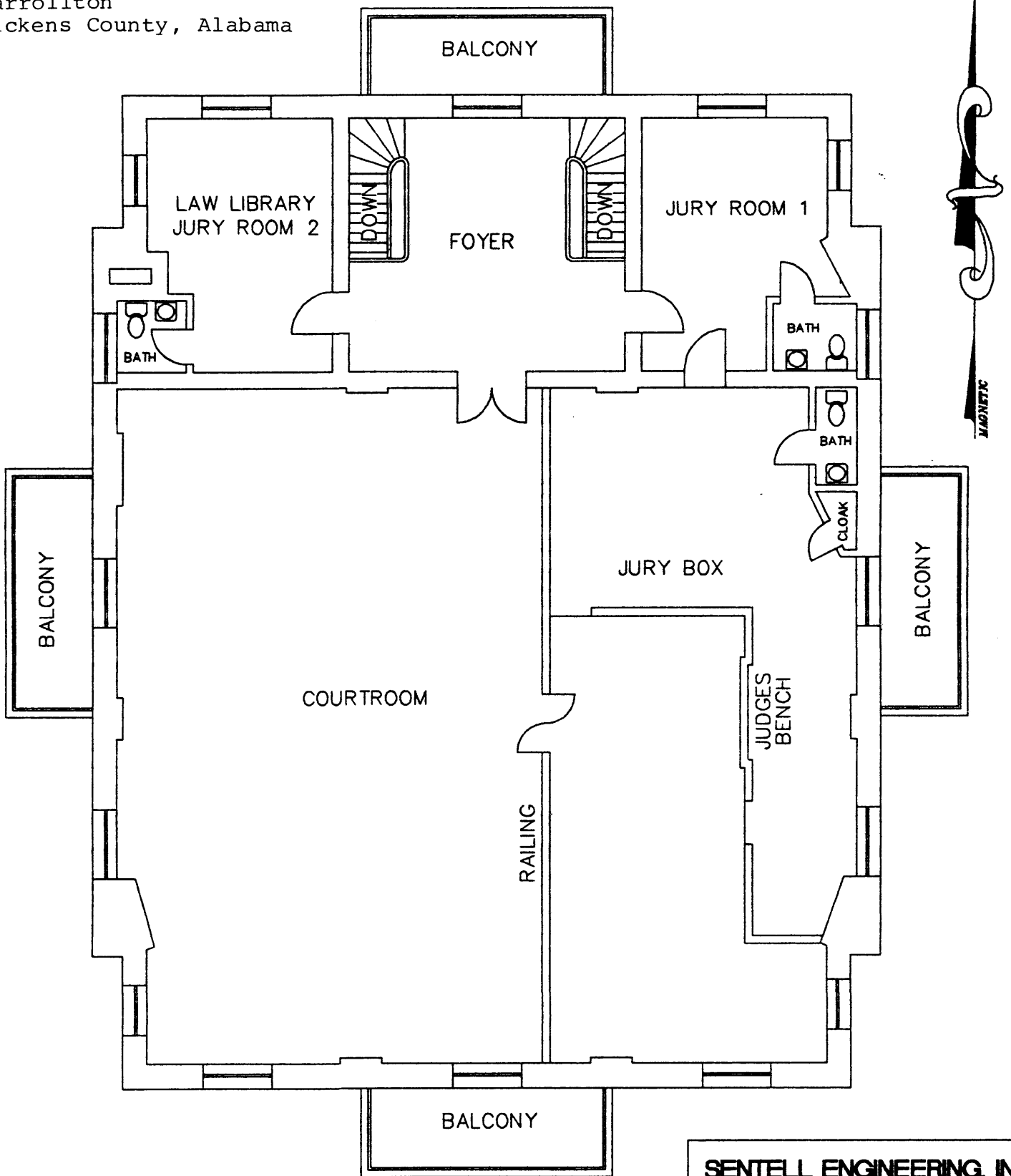


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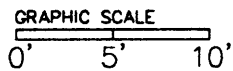
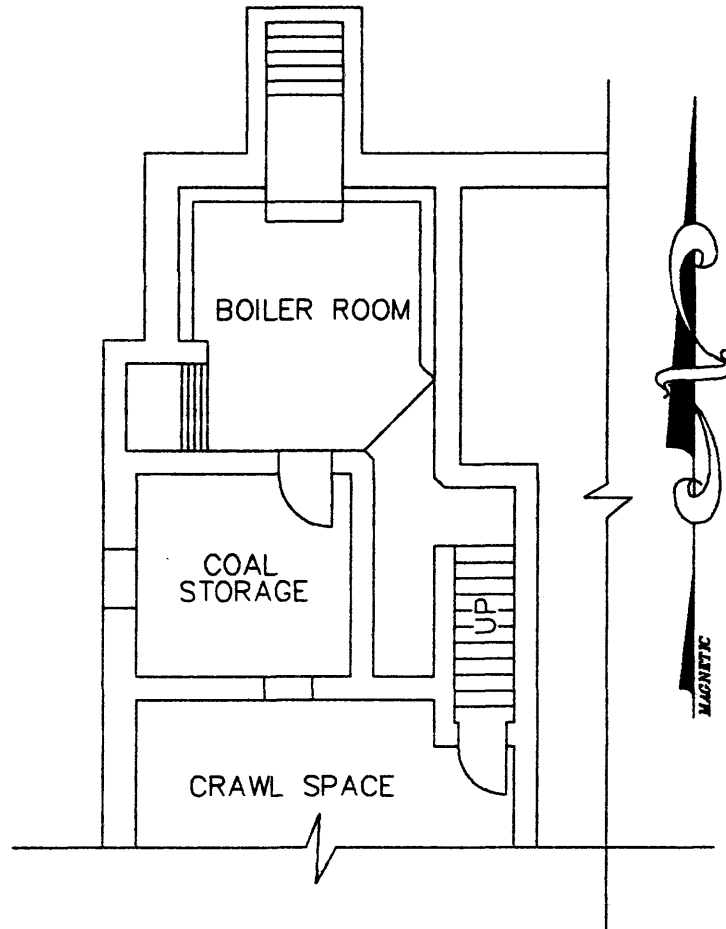
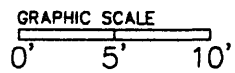


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