

Historic Preservation Research Office

BATCH KEY  
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Structure/Site Information Form

Street Address: 00272 S MAIN ST

UTM:

Name of Structure: Clift Building

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T. 01.0 S R. 01.0 W S. 01

Present Owner: WAGNER\*ILENE\*J\* ET AL  
424 KENNECOTT BLDG

WAGNER INV CO

Owner Address: SLC, UT  
84111

Year Built (Tax Record):

Effective Age:

Tax #: 01 2179

Legal Description

01 Kind of Building: MISC.COMMERCIAL BLDG

COM AT SE COR LOT 1, BLK 58, PLAT "A", SLC SUR, N 79.5 FT; W 10 RDS; S 79.5 FT E 10 RDS TO BEG. ALSO COM FR SW COR LOT 1, BLK 58, PLAT "A", SLC SUR., N 79.5 FT; W 5 FT; S 79.5 FT; E 5 FT TO BEG.

IDENTIFICATION

STATUS/USE

PHOTOGRAPHY

RESEARCH SOURCES

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Original Owner: Virtue Clift

Construction Date: 1919

Demolition Date:

Original Use: commercial

Present Use: commercial

Building Condition:

Integrity:

Preliminary Evaluation:

Final Register Status:

Excellent

Site

Unaltered

Significant

Not of the

National Landmark

District

Good

Ruins

Minor Alterations

Contributory

Historic Period

National Register

Multi-Resource

Deteriorated

Major Alterations

Not Contributory

State Register

Thematic

Photography:

Date of Slides:

Slide No.:

Date of Photographs: Fall '79

Photo No.:

Views:  Front  Side  Rear  Other

Views:  Front  Side  Rear  Other

Research Sources:

Abstract of Title

Sanborn Maps

Newspapers

U of U Library

Plat Records/Map

City Directories

Utah State Historical Society

BYU Library

Tax Card & Photo

Biographical Encyclopedias

Personal Interviews

USU Library

Building Permit

Obituary Index

LDS Church Archives

SLC Library

Sewer Permit

County & City Histories

LDS Genealogical Society

Other

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

Salt Lake City Sanborn Insurance Maps, 1898, 1911, 1930, 1958, University of Utah Library  
Salt Lake County Records, Block 58, Plat A, C-1,p.186, C-11,p.191, C-21,p.216,  
C-31,p.242, C-41,p.212-B

R.L. Polk & Co., Salt Lake City Directory, 1920-1968

Salt Lake City Building Permit, November 28, 1919, #4554

Salt Lake City Building Permit, October 28, 1927, #6699

Alter, J. Cecil, Storied Domain, volume 1, p.177, Francis D. Clift

Deseret News, December 23, 1913, p.16, Francis D. Clift obituary

Deseret News, October 24, 1925, p.3, Virtue Clift obituary

Janson, Andrew, Journal History of the Church, 1854, January 12, p.3

August 29, p.1, 1863; September 30, 1894, p.10; September 6, 1913, p.5;

December 21, p.2 "Francis D. Clift".

4 Architect/Builder: James L. Chesebro/Larsen-Sampson Co.

Building Materials: concrete, brick, glazed terra cotta

Building Type/Style:

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:  
(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

The Clift Building is one of Salt Lake City's largest terra cotta-faced structures. An eight-story building, designed by Leslie Chesebro, architect of East High School, the facades are eclectic in design but relate most to the Second Renaissance Revival Style. Horizontal banding and three secondary cornices or belt courses balance the verticality of the elevations. The upper floor is the most decorative, featuring a bracketed projecting cornice and protruding window bays at the corners of the building, with Greek pediments. All window bays are square. Decorative plaques with the letter "C" are located on the piers between the windows of the second floors. Aside from modifications along the first floor, the building's architectural integrity is intact. The Clift Building occupies an anchor position on South Main Street opposite the Judge Building.



Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: 1919

Pleasing in scale, proportion, and style treatment, the Clift Building has been an integral part of Salt Lake City's central business district since its construction in 1919. It displays the use of glazed terra cotta on a grand scale, to entirely face the primary facade of an eight story building. The Clift Building retains its original character and integrity except for some street level modifications.

The Clift Building was constructed in 1919 by Virtue Clift in honor of her late husband, Francis D. Clift. This was originally the site of the old Clift Hotel, a popular Salt Lake boarding house in the late 19th century.

The Clift family has a long history in the state of Utah. Francis Clift was a pioneer mining man and financier who came to Utah by ox team with the Walker Brothers, Henry Lawrence and John Clark, a former mayor of Salt Lake City. They arrived in the valley in 1851. Soon after arriving, Francis Clift opened the "Town Clock Store" a general merchandising store, at 154 South Main. He made eight trips across the plains by ox team hauling goods from St. Louis and other points in Missouri where he bought goods to supply this store. He was one of the first men in Utah to invest in mining. He early bought an interest in the Emma Mine in Big Cottonwood Canyon--the first discovered and worked mine in Utah. With the profits from this venture, he invested in Salt Lake real estate. In addition to this property, he owned the building at 262 South Main, occupied for many years by the Boston Store, and the Gladstone Building at 117 South Main. Francis Clift was born in England December 7, 1832 and died in Salt Lake City December 21, 1913. Only his wife, Virtue Clift, survived him.

Virtue Butcher Clift was also born in England, March 10, 1838. Her family joined the LDS Church there and she came to the United States with her mother and two sisters in 1849. She married Francis D. Clift in 1854 at the age of sixteen. At the time of his death, she inherited her husband's large estate and proved herself a wise businesswoman in dealing with his affairs. She had the Clift House torn down and replaced with a new commercial office building bearing the same name.

Following her death in 1925, title to the building fell to the Clift Building Corporation, then to the Utah Oil Refining Co. in 1958 and the American Oil Co. in 1960. American Oil changed the name of the building to the American Oil Building. In 1971 American Oil sold the building to Elizabeth Simmons. Ilene J. Wagner of the Wagner Investment Co. is the current owner.

The first occupants of the Clift Building in 1920 were the United Cigar Stores Co., the Schuback Optical Co., Western Union Telegraph Co. and the Kinema Theater. By 1928, the Kinema, managed by William Cutts, had become the Rialto Theater, but otherwise, the four companies occupied the building for twenty years. The Rialto still operated as a theater in 1968, a near 50 year term of occupancy. Fernwood's Candy Co. had their offices in this building from 1952-60, Western Union and United Cigar Stores from 1920 to 1956. The building is currently used, as it has been historically, as commercial office space.

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Salt Lake City Business District Multiple Resource Area

State Utah

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Clayton Building

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/17/82

Attest Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82

12. Kearns Building

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/17/82

Attest Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82

13. Judge Building

Substantive Review

Keeper already listed: 12/26/79

Attest return 8-16-82

14. General Engineering Company Building

Substantive Review

Keeper ret/already listed: 1/21/80

Attest ~~Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82~~

15. Smith-Bailey Drug Company Building

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/17/82

Attest Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82

16. Clift Building

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/17/82

Attest Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82

17. Stratford Hotel

Substantive Review

Keeper ret Beth Grosvenor 12/27/82

Attest ~~Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82~~

18. Hotel Albert

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/17/82

Attest Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82

19. Hotel Victor

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 8/17/82

Attest Emma Jane Saxe 8-16-82

20. Tampico Restaurant  
169 Regent St

Substantive Review

Keeper Beth Grosvenor 12/30/82

Attest withdrawn 10/7/82

20(a) Tampico Restaurant  
167 Regent St.

Substantive Review

Keeper return 167 Regent St

Attest Regan



## 8. Significance

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

## 10. Geographical Data *Please provide acreage*

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UMT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Form Prepared By

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## 13. Other

- \_\_\_\_ Maps
- \_\_\_\_ Photographs
- \_\_\_\_ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Continental Thrift and

MIDTOWN  
VALLEY THEATRE

CFC  
SALES

Salt Lake City Downtown Multiple Resource  
Area

Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah

Photographer: Rob Welch, Sept. 1979

Negative filed at Utah State Historical  
Society

Clift Building

272 South Main Street *AMERICAN OIL BLDG.*  
South and East Facades

*SITE #26*

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000872



# National Register of Historic Places

## Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2018



GARY R. HERBERT  
*Governor*

SPENCER J. COX  
*Lieutenant Governor*

Jill Remington Love  
*Executive Director*  
*Department of*  
*Heritage & Arts*



Brad Westwood  
*Director*



April 3, 2018

MR. J. PAUL LOETHER, KEEPER AND CHIEF  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
MAIL STOP 7228  
1849 C ST, NW  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Loether:

The current owners of the National Register-listed Clift Building in Salt Lake City (NRIS #82004139) are requesting that the address of the property be changed on the NRHP form. The incorrect address listed on the current nomination form is 272 S. Main Street. The property owners are requesting that it be changed to the official street address, which is 10 W. Broadway (300 South).

Please contact Cory Jensen at 801/245-7242, or at [coryjensen@utah.gov](mailto:coryjensen@utah.gov), if you have any questions regarding the change.

Sincerely,

Roger Roper  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:

Property Name:

Multiple Name:

State & County:

Date Received: 4/9/2018      Date of Pending List: 5/3/2018      Date of 16th Day: 5/18/2018      Date of 45th Day: 5/24/2018      Date of Weekly List:

Reference number:

Nominator:

Reason For Review:

Accept       Return       Reject      5/11/2018 Date

Abstract/Summary  
Comments:

Recommendation/  
Criteria

Reviewer *Alvina [Signature]* Control Unit      Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_      Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

National Register of Historic Places  
Memo to File

# Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.



United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

Clift Building, (Salt Lake City Business District MRA),  
Salt Lake County, UTAH,

Working No. 7/8/82-1988  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/1/83  
Date Due: 8/22/82 8-22-82  
Action:  ACCEPT 8/17/82  
 RETURN  
 REJECT

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria C accept  
Reviewer Says  
Discipline Arch Hist.  
Date 8-10-82  
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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- dates
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State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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- \_\_\_\_ Photographs
- \_\_\_\_ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

*Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Wagner*

445 NORTHMONT WAY  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84103

September 20, 1982

*Dr. Melvin T. Smith  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
Utah State Historical Society  
300 Rio Grande  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101*

*Dear Dr. Smith:*

*As the owner of the property at 272 South Main Street, known as the Clift Building, I object to its listing in the National Register of Historic Places. On January 15, 1980, a letter was sent to your office voicing my objection to the listing which was to be in effect as long as I own the property. I did not receive your letter of February 23, 1982, asking that if I still objected to inform your office. Had I received it, the objection to listing would have been reiterated. I hereby request that you forward this letter and my letter of January 15, 1980, along with a request for delisting of the building to the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places.*

*Very truly yours,*

*Ilene J. Wagner*

IJW:bc

Mrs. Ilene J. Wagner

*Helen H. Hutchinson  
Notary*

*9-29-82*

*Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wagner*

445 NORTHMONT WAY  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84103

January 15, 1980

*Mr. A. Kent Powell  
Preservation Research Coordinator  
Historic Preservation Office  
Utah State Historical Society  
Crane Building, Suite 1000  
307 West 200 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101*

*Dear Mr. Powell:*

*I have received your letter of December 27th informing me that the building we own at 272 South Main Street, now known as 10 West Broadway, has been approved by the State Historic and Cultural Sites Review Committee for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places as a part of Salt Lake City's Downtown Multi-Resource Nomination.*

*While I appreciate your interest in our property, I wish to take strong issue with its placement on the National Register. I am a strong believer in individual property rights and the operation of the free enterprise system.*

*As for the benefits you outline, we have no intention of applying for nor do we want to receive any governmental assistance toward preparing plans and specifications for renovating our building. We will not ask for and do not expect to receive any Federal funds for restoration of our property. We have no interest in selling our property at a higher price because it is on the National Register as you suggest. We would not expect or want tax benefits such as the five year amortization of rehabilitation cost or accelerated depreciation allowance as you outline. We do not want nor expect or believe in securing special processing of federally funded projects which may be associated with our property.*

*You mention that placing this on the National Register will not place any restrictions on the property except if demolished the*



Mr. A. Kent Powell  
Page Two

January 15, 1980

*cost of the building cannot be written off as a tax deduction and if a new building is constructed, the accelerated depreciation schedule cannot be used and only local restrictions would be imposed if remodeled, altered or demolished. I wish to point out that once this building is placed on the National Register, the next step will be to have it placed as a City landmark and it will be subject to local control of any remodeling on the exterior which we may wish to do, a procedure to which we object to on this particular property.*

*Since acquiring this property we have spent considerable money in maintenance, painting, and general upgrading the building. We have taken a great deal of pride in what we have accomplished in this building since it has been under our ownership. We have no intention of demolishing this building or of making any exterior changes except for maintenance. The building will continue to be an asset to the south part of Salt Lake City's Downtown area.*

*As the owner of this building, I feel it is our right to determine whether or not it should be placed on the Historic Register and become subject to the controls which will eventually be placed on it and I wish again to state we object in the strongest possible manner to any action you may take to place this on the Register.*

*If at some future date the subject property should be sold, you may wish to then contact the new owner and they may or may not agree with your recommendations.*

Very truly yours,  
*Mrs. I. J. Wagner*  
Mrs. I. J. Wagner



SCOTT M. MATHESON  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF UTAH  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Division of  
State History  
(UTAH STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY)

MELVIN T. SMITH, DIRECTOR  
300 RIO GRANDE  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84101  
TELEPHONE 801 / 533-5755

October 8, 1982

Carol Shull  
Acting Keeper  
National Register  
National Park Service  
W434  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

We have received a notarized letter from the owner of the property known as the Clift Building, at 272 South Main Street in Salt Lake City, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on August 17, 1982 as part of the Downtown Salt Lake City Business District Multiple Resource nomination. The owner claims that she never received our letter of February 23, 1982 in which we asked for a letter of objection from those who did not wish their properties listed.

The owner referred to an earlier letter of objection dated January 15, 1980 which states that their objection would stand as long as she owned the property. Since the owner claims to have not received our letter and had replied to an earlier request for comments, it appears she has grounds for challenging our procedures in having the property listed. As the Utah State Historic Preservation Officer, I therefore request that this property be removed from the National Register and that it be processed for a determination of eligibility as in the case of other owner objections. If you have any questions, please call Kent Powell at (801) 533-6017.

Sincerely,

Melvin T. Smith  
State Historic Preservation Officer

AKP/ch

Enclosures





United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

REMOVAL

*Cleft Building  
(Salt Lake City Business District MRA)  
Salt Lake County, UTAH*

Working No. 10-18-82

Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Due: 12/2/82

Action:  ACCEPT  
 RETURN  
 REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

**Reviewer's comments:**

*11/30/82 - we need more information before we can decide whether to remove this. See telephone & written correspondence of the state. B.G.*

Recom. / Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

see continuation sheet

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**5. Location of Legal Description**

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

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- summary paragraph
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- boundary selection



DATE 11/30/82

TELEPHONE REPORT

TIME OF CALL AM PM

1. CALL  TO:  FROM (Name)

Lars Hanslin

2. ADDRESS (Tel. No. if needed)

343-7957

3. SUBJECT, PROJECT NO., ETC.

Left Bldg. removal, Salt Lake City Business Dist. MRA, UT

4. DETAILS OF DISCUSSION

State is not responsible for owner receiving the notice, as long as SHPO has record that notice was sent & date.

Find out from state: do they have record of notice sent?

Is she (Shere Wagner) the sole owner?

There is some evidence that she is not

12/2/82 - out

12/6/82 - we would not remove this ~~is~~ only because the owner(s) claimed she (they) didn't receive the notice. The distinguishing factor here is that the owner had a prior objection on record. So, if we get a letter from all owners (or a majority) objecting, Lars doesn't think it would be worth the fight to refuse to demolish (even though he thinks we would be legally entitled to do so).

NAME OF PERSON PLACING/RECEIVING CALL

TITLE

OFFICE

Grosvonts

DATE

12/2/82

TIME OF CALL

AM  
PM

TELEPHONE REPORT

1. CALL  TO:  FROM (Name)

Kent Powell

2. ADDRESS (Tel. No. if needed)

UT SHPS

3. SUBJECT, PROJECT NO., ETC.

Left Bldg. removal (SLC Bas. Dist. MRA), UT

4. DETAILS OF DISCUSSION

Yes, they have record of notice.

Owner is listed as given in tax records; they didn't check to see @ "et. al." & explained our concerns + the necessity of knowing all the owners and making sure that a majority object. Kent said that the investment Co. consists of her + her husband, and that he probably objects more strenuously than she does. They own other property, too, under the name of the investment comp.

We need to know: who are all the owners

do they all object?

we must have written + notarized objections from all objecting owners

letters should state that owners are the sole owners if that is the case

Kent will check on this info.

NAME OF PERSON PLACING/RECEIVING CALL

TITLE

OFFICE

G. Owens

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE

DATE

12/16 (17?) / 82

TELEPHONE REPORT

TIME OF CALL

AM  
PM

1. CALL  TO:  FROM (Name)

Kent Powell

2. ADDRESS (Tel. No. if needed)

UT SHPO

3. SUBJECT, PROJECT NO., ETC.

Clyff Bldg. removal request, SLC Bas. Dist. MRA, UT

4. DETAILS OF DISCUSSION

Confirmed that we are awaiting notarized objections from all other owners, or ~~by~~ ~~the~~ evidence that those objecting constitute a majority of the owners.

"Et. al." in legal ownership records = Helen Wagner's husband and 2 other people.

NAME OF PERSON PLACING/RECEIVING CALL

Groover

TITLE

OFFICE

Grosvenor  
2/1/83

FEB 2, 1983

Dr. Melvin T. Smith  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
Utah State Historical Society  
397 W. 200 South, Suite 1000  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

Dear Dr. Smith:

As you know, we received your request to remove the Clift Building and Hotel Albert, both of which were listed on August 17, 1982, having been nominated as part of the Downtown Salt Lake City Business District Multiple Resource Area, Salt Lake County, Utah. As Beth Grosvenor discussed with members of your staff in the course of several telephone conversations in December, that owners claim not to have received the State's notice of intent to nominate these properties does not constitute procedural error. Both cases involve factors that need further clarification before we can make a decision concerning whether or not the properties should be removed from the National Register.

In the case of the Clift Building, one owner, a Mrs. Ilene J. Wagner, wrote in September 1982 to state that she had not received the State's February 1982 notice and that she objected to the building being listed. She had submitted an earlier objection when the nomination was originally proposed in 1980. Mrs. Wagner is only one of several owners of the Clift Building, however. The National Register is awaiting notarized objections from all or a majority of the owners, along with confirmation that those objecting constitute a majority of the owners. There is also a question concerning whether or not the owners of the Hotel Albert had filed an objection prior to the State's 1982 nomination of the hotel. We are awaiting a copy of the State's 1982 notification to the owner, and a copy of the owner's earlier objection, if it exists.

When we have received the information above, we will proceed with our review of your requests to have the Clift Building and the Hotel Albert removed from the National Register.

Sincerely,

Carol D. Shull ((Sgd.))

Carol D. Shull  
Chief of Registration  
National Register of Historic Places  
Interagency Resource Management Division



**FNP:B Grosvernor:dyw:1/26/83:23504**

**bcc: Regional Director, Rocky Mountain Region  
710**

**BASIC FILE RETAINED IN 710**

**DISK #17 - 5072**



SCOTT M. MATHESON  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF UTAH  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

February 9, 1983

Division of  
State History  
(UTAH STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY)

MELVIN T. SMITH, DIRECTOR  
300 RIO GRANDE  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84101  
TELEPHONE 801 / 533-5755

Carol D. Shull  
Chief of Registration  
National Register of Historic Places  
Interagency Resource Management Division  
United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

Thank you for your letter of February 2nd regarding the removal of the Clift Building and Hotel Albert from the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Downtown Salt Lake City Business District Multiple Resource Area.

Enclosed are copies of all correspondence regarding the Hotel Albert. I trust this will allow you to proceed with action on the request for its removal.

We have contacted Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Wagner by telephone and letter requesting that they provide the necessary notarized letters of objection. If these letters are submitted, we will forward them to you for further action on the request to remove the Clift Building from the register.

We appreciate your help and the fine assistance rendered to our staff by Beth Grosvenor in these matters.

Sincerely,

Melvin T. Smith  
Director and State Historic  
Preservation Officer

AKP/bm

Enclosures