## **United States Department of the Interior National Park Service**

## National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Property Name: The First National Bank of Seaford

Location and Boundary Description: 118 Pine Street, Seaford, Delaware; Sussex

County Tax Map 4-31-5/247. 4 acre

UTM Reference: 18 446710 4277010

Owners: Patrick L. and Pamela Tierno

701 Middleford Drive Seaford, DE 19973

Description: This is a five bay, two-story, rectangular, center hall, brick, Italianate bank, now converted into apartments. It has two interior endwell chimneys at each side and a rear, two-story frame addition which is shingled on the second story. More recent low hip roofed dormers pierce the front and rear of the roof. Brackets are at the roofline of the main part of the building as well as the rear addition. The four-over-four, double hung sash windows are regularly spaced and have plain marble lintels and panelled wood shutters. The recessed doorway contains a double paneled door and a transom.

Significance: The First National Bank of Seaford is significant as an intact example of Italianate architecture. It was built in 1868 as a bank building. It is similiar to other bank buildings across Delaware constructed in the same era. While the architectural details might be considered too heavy for Italianate buildings, it is one of the few intact Italianate buildings in Seaford.

The building is also significant in that it is the oldest standing bank building in Seaford. While it has been converted to apartments. The interior is intact as the apartment units follow the natural divisions of the building.