

ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY FORM

Name of Structure: Elbert County Courthouse *see addendum*
 Location: Courthouse Square - Elberton, Ga. 30635 *7/21/80 for additional info*
 Cost: \$35,000 Date of Construction: 1893
 Renovated in 1964
 Architect/builder: R.H. Hunt (of Hunt & Lamm), Contractor: L.L. Stevenson
 Chattanooga
 Subsequent architects: _____

TAX MAP/PARCEL NUMBERS
 Boundary:
 See attached tax map
Map E-1 Parcel 6

DESCRIPTION:

Style: Romanesque
 Facade Material: Brick/Granite
 Condition: [] Excellent [X] Good [] Fair

UTM NO. _____
 Zone 17 E327620 N3775730
 acreage: approx. 2 acres

This is a two-story over basement building; it has a heavy, solid look. The facade features end pavilions with hip roof sections and pedimented dormers. In the center, a Richardsonian Romanesque arch marks the entrance. On the second story above this entry are six smaller arches that formed an arcade. A square clock tower rises from the center and supports a lanterned dome.

Today the building has been painted gray, the ballustrade has been removed from around the bell tower (directly under the dome) and the entrance doors have been replaced by glass and steel. The arcade on the second floor is now enclosed for additional office space. The courtroom has a divided coved ceiling with Ionic pilasters and a balcony with extremely steep and narrow steps leading up to it. The litigation area is elevated making it easy for the spectators to see.

Originally, in what is designated as attic, 2 rooms were reserved for jurors, who could not easily "go and come", to stay overnight.



SIGNIFICANCE:

R. H. Hunt, the architect of the courthouse and a native of Elbert County, had moved away from Georgia in 1866. It was a mark of his success that he was commissioned to design the new courthouse.

The courthouse dominates the town of Elberton; as a center of local government it serves as a repository for official records and as headquarters for a sizeable geographical area.

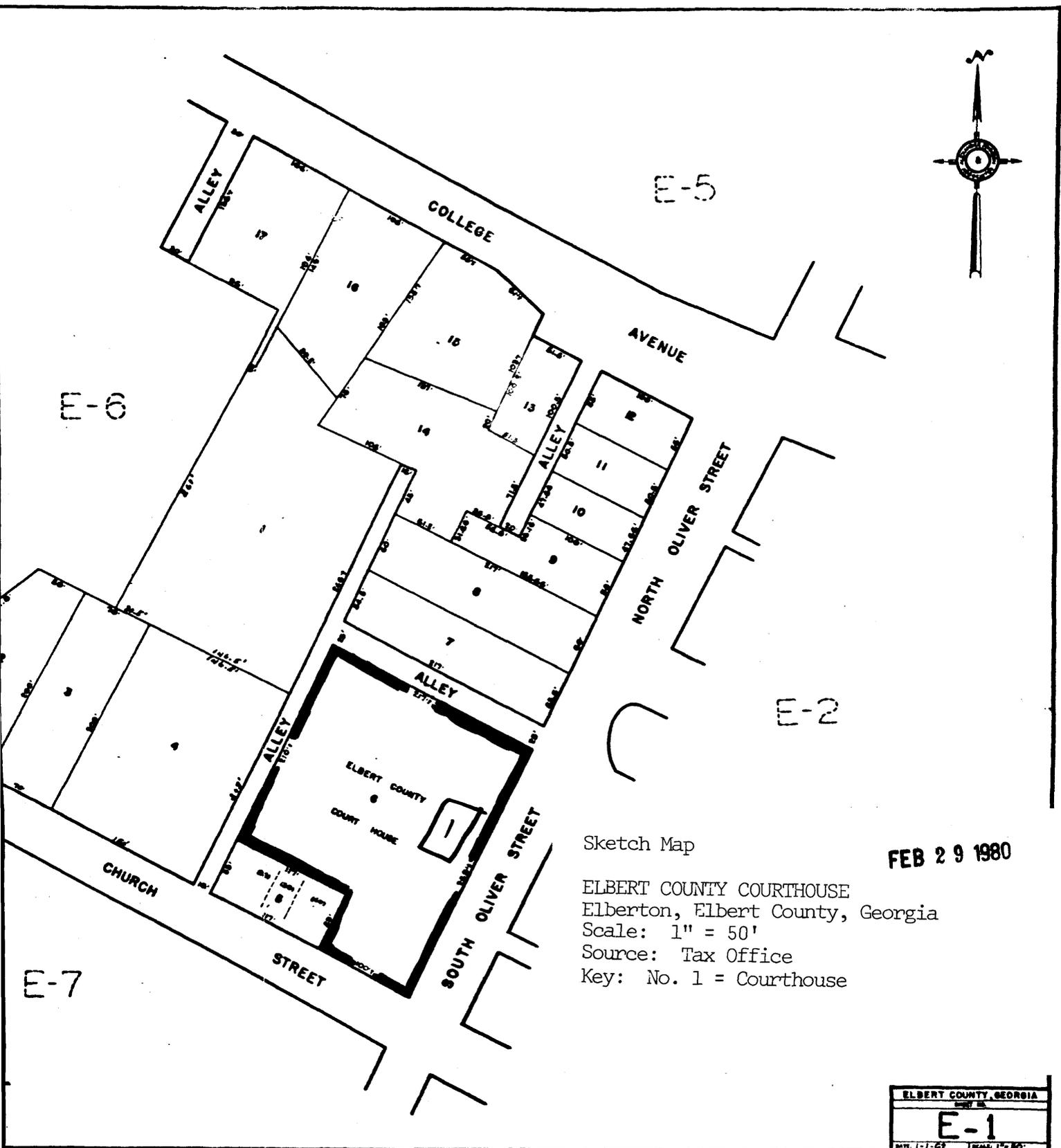
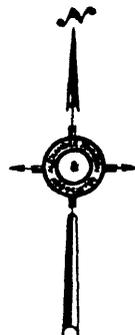
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ELBERT COUNTY COURTHOUSE

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
Elbert County Courthouse
Courthouse Square
Elberton, Georgia 30635



Sketch Map

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ELBERT COUNTY COURTHOUSE
Elberton, Elbert County, Georgia
Scale: 1" = 50'
Source: Tax Office
Key: No. 1 = Courthouse

ELBERT COUNTY, GEORGIA	
E-1	
DATE: 1-2-80	SCALE: 1"=50'