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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Stuart Building

1. Name

historic

and/or common

Location 2.

601 W. Oak Street street & number

city, town Louisville

na_ vicinity of

Kentucky state

021 code

county Jefferson

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
district X building(s) structure	public _X_ private both	X occupied X unoccupied work in progress	agriculture X commercial educational	museum park _X_ private residence
site objéct	Public Acquisition NA_ in process NA_ being considered	Accessible X yes: restricted yes: unrestricted	entertainment government industrial	religious scientific transportation
	a.	no	military	other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mit	tch Henderson			
street & num	ber P. O. Box 22	673		
city, town	Louisville	<u>na</u> vicinity of	state	Kentucky
5. Lo	cation of L	egal Description		
courthouse,	registry of deeds, etc.	Jefferson County Court House		
street & num	ber	517 W. Jefferson St		
city, town	Louisville		state	Kentucky
6. Re	presentati	on in Existing Surv	eys	
title Kentuc	cky Historic Reso	arce Inventory has this property bee	n determined elig	gible? yesX_ no
date 1983		te	ederal Xstate	e county local
depository fo	or survey records Kent	tucky Heritage Council		
city, town	Frankfort		state	КҮ

7. Description

Condition excellent deteriorated good ruins fair unexposed	Check one unaltered Xaltered	Check one X_ original s moved	site date <u>na</u>
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Stuart Building is located in a largely commercial area directly adjacent to both the Old Louisville and Limerick National Register Districts in south-central Louisville. This three-and-one-half story Tudor Revival style building is situated on the northwest corner of W. Oak and S. Sixth Streets. The primary commercial space is on the corner with a chamfered entrance. This storefront is largely intact, with a single column on the corner, large display and transom windows and Carrara glass below the sills. The Sixth Street side has been altered by the enclosure of one window. Another small commercial unit, with central entrance, flanking display windows and transom, is intact on the Sixth Street side. (Photo 1)

The Oak Street side of the building is the primary facade. It is here that the entrance to the Stuart Apartments is located. The entrance contains double doors and a transom in a Tudor-arched stone surround. A keyhole-like Tudor motif is located above the entrance within the surround. Large iron lamps flank the entrance. Three commercial units, all intact, are also located on the Oak Street side. Each has large display windows and transoms. (Photo 2 & 3)

The upper floors of the building are apartments. The Oak Street facade is divided into three large bays, each multi-faceted. The Sixth Street corner bay contains a gabled half-timbered section which rises into the roof. Another brick gable with stone coping shadows the first at the roof level and contains a small window. Random patterned windows all six-over-one in configuration, some paired, comprise the fenestration of the second and third floors. A tiny gabled dormer is also located in this bay above the entry. It and all attic-story windows are casement.

The central bay has half-timbering in the central portion on the second and third floors but does not extend into the attic-story. Rather, a copper-roofed hood terminates the half-timbering. A large double-gabled dormer of brick with stone coping is located above and contains three pairs of casement windows.

The end bay also has a half-timbered, gabled section, similar to the corner bay. The wall dormer is shadowed by a brick gable with stone coping. This gabled dormer contains a narrow vent with stone details.

The Sixth Street facade is very similar in treatment to the Oak Street facade, but contains more regularity in the fenestration. Four bays on this facade alternate between brick and half-timbering. One of the half-timbered bays rises into a gabled wall dormer. All windows are six-over-one in configuration.

Typical of Tudor Revival style buildings, the Stuart Building displays a steeply pitched slate roof, steeply gabled wall dormers, casement windows and irregular fenestration, all of which combine to create a cohesive design which adapts well to the commercial/residential mixed use.

8. Significance

1400–1499 1500–1599 1600–1699 1700–1799 1800–1899	agriculture agriculture architecture art	community planning conservation economics education engineering exploration/settleme	law literature military music	re religion science sculpture social/ humanitarian theater transportation other (specify)
Specific dates	1929	Builder/Architect	nknown	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Stuart Building is one of the finest examples of the Tudor Revival Style in Louisville. It is strategically located on a prominent corner and displays all of the major architectural features which dominate the style.

Oak Street is a major east-west arterial in south-central Louisville. The architecture on this corridor is diverse in both style and use. In this section of the Oak Street corridor, the use is mixed commercial and residential. At the time that the Stuart Building was constructed, in 1929, the corridor was predominantly residential, with "mom and pop" establishments on some corners. The Stuart Building was an impressive and compatible addition to the streetscape in 1929. Considerable larger than adjacent buildings, the Stuart Building retained the corner commercial use and created a denser residential population with the Stuart Apartments.

The Tudor Revival Style is used frequently in Louisville in residential construction, but is not commonly found in commercial areas, especially on such a large scale as the Stuart Building. This three-and-one-half-story structure is one of the best local examples of the Tudor Revival style, with excellence of craftsmanship evident in each of its many architectual features.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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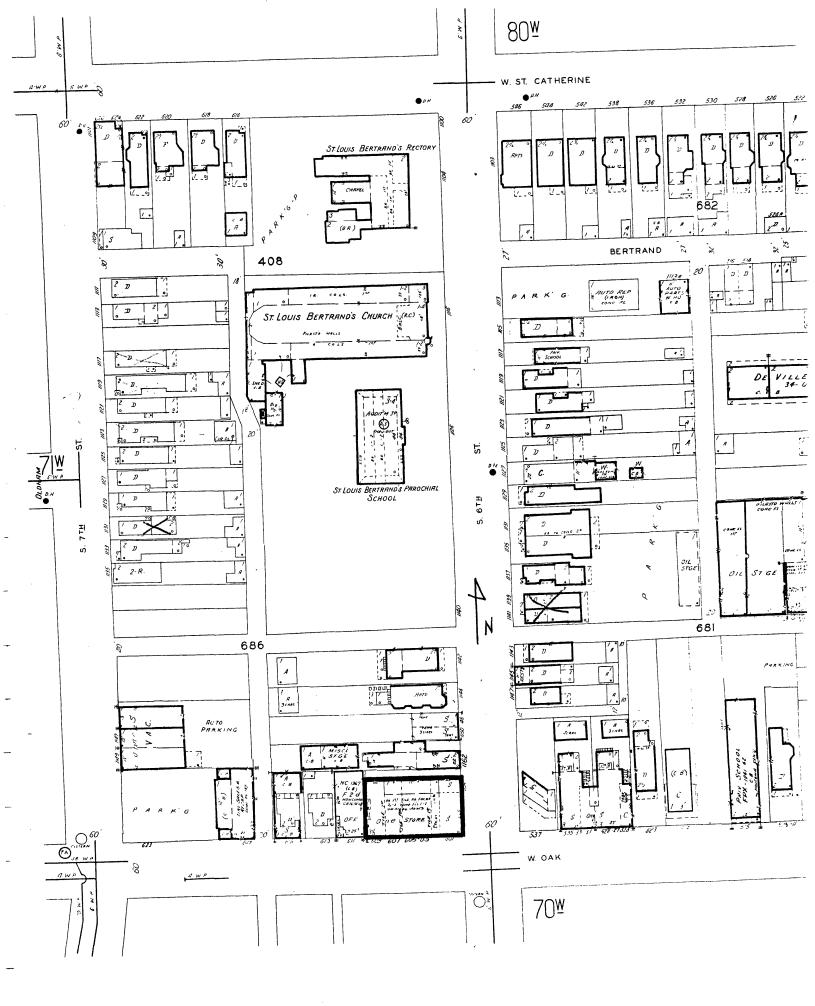
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10. Geographical Data

Chief of Registration

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Verbal boundary description and City of Louisville Block 29J	Lot 76			
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List all states and counties for pr	operties overlapp	oing state or cou	nty boundaries	
state	code	county	code	
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11. Form Prepar	ed By	<u> </u>		
name/title M. A. Allgeie	r, Director of	Research		
organization Louisville Land	marks Commissi	on date	December, 1984	
street & number 727 W. Main	Street	tele	ohone (502) 587-3501	
city or town Louisville		state	e Kentucky	
12. State Histor	ic Preser	vation O	fficer Certification	
The evaluated significance of this prop	perty within the state	e is:		
national	stateX	local		
As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89– 665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.				
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