



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

The attached property, Building at 133 East Commerce Street, reference number 88000136 was listed in the National Register of Historic Places by the Keeper of the National Register on 02/22/1988, as evidenced by the FEDERAL REGISTER/WEEKLY LIST notice of 03/04/1988. The attached nomination form is a copy of the original documentation provided to the Keeper at the time of listing.


Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places

9/8/2008
Date

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National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

received

date entered

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic N/A

and/or common Building at 133 E. Commerce Street

2. Location

street & number 133 E. Commerce Street

N/A not for publication

city, town Aberdeen N/A vicinity of

state Mississippi code 28 county Monroe code 095

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>N/A</u> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Glen Thomas Kirkpatrick and Jobe R. Miller

street & number 401 W. Jefferson St.

city, town Aberdeen N/A vicinity of state MS 39730

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Chancery Clerk Building

street & number 201 W. Commerce St.

city, town Aberdeen state MS 39730

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title N/A has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The building at 133 E. Commerce is a two-story, rectangular, brick commercial building with Victorian Italianate and Romanesque features. It has a single-lot-width street frontage of 26.3 feet and extends back from the street about 125 feet. The upper facade has three window openings -- a central round-arched opening containing paired round-headed one-over-one windows, flanked by separate, slightly lower round-arched one-over-one windows. Above the windows are three circular ventilation ports with patterned metal grilles. Surmounting the facade is a pressed-metal bracketed cornice of Italianate character, one of only two surviving pressed-metal cornices in the commercial area.

The lower facade contains a storefront that dates in part from the early twentieth century and in part from recent years. The older elements are the door to the upper story, which sits off to one side, and the transom, which has been painted over. Newer elements are the aluminum-framed glass door and display windows.

The side walls abut those of the buildings at 131 and 135 E. Commerce Street.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates ca. 1880 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Criteria A and C
 (See Statement of Significance for the Aberdeen Commercial Buildings Thematic Group.)

The building at 133 E. Commerce Street is significant as the most complete and intact of the commercial buildings of Aberdeen constructed before 1885. The two-story structure, which now houses the Office Supply Store, was probably built about 1880 but may be slightly older. Its facade, which combines Victorian Commercial Romanesque and Commercial Italianate characteristics, has one of the two surviving pressed-metal cornices in Aberdeen's commercial area.

According to turn-of-the-century photographs, there were once three buildings with this particular stylistic character on the south side of E. Commerce Street. One of the others evidently no longer stands or has been altered beyond recognition. The other may still survive, in part, underneath modern metal sheathing at 125 E. Commerce, but is not visible at this time.

The Office Supply building is the best surviving representative of the commercial buildings dating from the earliest years of Aberdeen's second period of prosperity.

9. Major Bibliographical References

(SEE COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS OF ABERDEEN THEMATIC GROUP NOMINATION)

10. Geographical Data

Acree of nominated property less than one acre

Quadrangle name Aberdeen, MS

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References (Shown as "L" on quadrangle map)

A	1 1 6	3 5 1 7 2 1 7 1 0	3 1 7 4 1 3 5 1 8 1 0
	Zone	Easting	Northing

B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C			
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D			
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E			
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F			
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G			
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H			
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Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel number 107-M-35-005-013-00 as recorded in the Numerical Index located in the Chancery Clerk's Office. This includes the lot on which this building stands.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Richard J. Cawthon - Chief Architectural Historian

organization Mississippi Dept. of Archives and History date September 1987

street & number P. O. Box 571 telephone (601) 354-7326

city or town Jackson state MS 39205

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state 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.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Kenneth H. P. Pool

title Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer date January 6, 1988

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration