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# DATA SHEET

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## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

Security Trust Building

AND/OR COMMON

### LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Elm & Main Streets

\_\_\_ NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Rockland

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st. Hon. David Emery

STATE

Maine

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CODE

23

COUNTY

Knox

CODE

013

### CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

#### PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER: None

### OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

J. Bruce MacDiarmid

STREET & NUMBER

Upper Chestnut Street

CITY, TOWN

Camden

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maine

### LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Knox County Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockland

STATE

Maine

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Designed by R. Clipstone Sturgis of Boston, The Security Trust Building of Rockland was built in 1912. This bank is a very high quality example of a small-town bank of the early 20th century.

The bank is rectangular in plan with a flat roof and a granite foundation faced with marble. Its one-story walls are of brick with marble trim.

The principal facade, which faces east, features a central recessed doorway flanked by engaged Ionic columns and capped by a simple entablature and triangular pediment with acroterions. Above the entrance is a rectangular swag panel. On each side of the entrance is a tall arched window, fifteen-over-fifteen with ten lights in the arch of the upper sash. A marble keystone is fitted into each brick arch above these windows. Below each window is an undecorated rectangular marble pane. A marble string course runs around the building just above the peak of the entrance pediment, while another runs above the window arch keystones. Above this latter string course is a molded cornice.

The north side of the bank is an unfenestrated brick wall, attached to an adjoining building. The west end likewise is windowless.

The south elevation features a series of four windows identical to the facade windows; and the architectural details on the south side are the same as on the front of the bank, except that there are plain marble medallions between the string courses. The west end of the south side is slightly recessed and is of two stories with rectangular six-over-six double-hung windows of single sash.

The corners of the Bank are decorated with brick quoins.

Internally, the building is not in the fine condition of the exterior, but its problems are cosmetic and superficial, not structural. The original decor is intact. Particularly notable is the plaster frieze which depicts in relief the coinage of the period.

The Security Trust Building in Rockland is in a very good state of preservation and carries details which are of high quality in design and materials. As such, it is an outstanding representative of its period and type.

# 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 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 type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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		

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SPECIFIC DATES

1912

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

R. Clipstone Sturgis

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Begun in 1911 and completed the following year, the Security Trust Building, although not a large building, occupies a key location in downtown Rockland. Its restrained, yet powerful facade with classic overtones sets it apart from its more complicated and opulent Victorian neighbors. In a very real sense it is a forerunner of present day trends in banking architecture which seek to portray these financial institutions as up to the minute progressive enterprises, yet soundly based.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Industrial Journal. Bangor, 1911

## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 3/4  
 UTM REFERENCES

A	1,9	49,12,2,5	4,8,8,3,1,7,0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Frank A. Beard, Historian  
Robert L. Bradley, Architectural Historian  
 ORGANIZATION Maine Historic Preservation Commission DATE 6/77  
 STREET & NUMBER 242 State Street TELEPHONE 289-2133  
 CITY OR TOWN Augusta STATE Maine

## 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 Carole S. Sheldtewood Jr.  
 TITLE S.H.P.O. DATE July 27, 1977

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION [Signature] DATE 1-20-78  
 ATTEST: [Signature] KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER  
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER DATE 1-17-78