

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: REMOVAL

PROPERTY LaCour, Ovide, Store  
NAME:

MULTIPLE  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: LOUISIANA, Pointe Coupee

DATE RECEIVED: 10/14/16 DATE OF PENDING LIST:  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 11/29/16  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 79001080

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

\_\_\_ACCEPT \_\_\_RETURN \_\_\_REJECT \_\_\_DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

REMOVED  
from  
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA

REVIEWER

DISCIPLINE

TELEPHONE

DATE

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the  
nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



BILLY NUNGESSER  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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DEPUTY SECRETARY  
PHIL BOGGAN  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

October 7, 2016

James Gabbert  
National Register of Historic Places  
1201 "Eye" Street NW  
Washington, D.C., 20005

RE: Delisting of the Ovide LaCour Store, Pointe Coupee Parish, LA

Dear Mr. Gabbert:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of our intent to delist the above property from the National Register of Historic Places. Originally listed on the Register on 7/27/1979, the above property was demolished by its owners in the 1980s-90s per the local parish historian. Per 36 CFR 60, Sec. 60.15 (a)(1), we are requesting that the above property be officially delisted based on the fact that the property has ceased to meet the criteria for listing in the National Register because the qualities which caused it to be originally listed have been destroyed. To support this claim, we have included an email from the local parish historian confirming the loss of the LaCour Store.

We have notified the property owner and the chief elected official and have included copies of those letters with this submission. No responses were received.

If you have any questions concerning our request, please contact our National Register Coordinator, Jessica Richardson via email at [jrichardson@crt.la.gov](mailto:jrichardson@crt.la.gov) or by phone at 225-219-4595.

Sincerely,

Phil Boggan  
State Historic Preservation Officer

PD:JR/jgr  
Enclosure

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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JUL 27 1979

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Ovide LaCour Store

AND/OR COMMON

same

**2 LOCATION**

LA 419

STREET &amp; NUMBER

La. 419, one quarter mi. SE of intersection with La. 972

CITY, TOWN

LaCour

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8th - Gillis Long

STATE

Louisiana

CODE

022

COUNTY

Pointe Coupee

CODE

077

**3 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  
☐ COMMERCIAL  
☐ EDUCATIONAL  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT  
☐ GOVERNMENT  
☐ INDUSTRIAL  
☐ MILITARY  
☐ MUSEUM  
☐ PARK  
☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☒ OTHER: None**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Ovide B. LaCour Trust, c/o Mr. John Adkins

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Trust Department, Louisiana National Bank

CITY, TOWN

Baton Rouge

VICINITY OF

STATE

Louisiana

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Pointe Coupee Parish Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

New Roads

STATE

Louisiana

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Louisiana Historic Sites Survey

DATE

1979

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

State Historic Preservation Office

CITY, TOWN

Baton Rouge

STATE

Louisiana



## 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

The Ovide LaCour plantation store is set behind the Raccourci River levee, amid the deteriorating and dilapidated quarters buildings once associated with the LaCour plantation. The boundaries of the nominated area encompass the store and the adjacent, attached warehouse. The quarters buildings were excluded because they are largely beyond hope in terms of restoration possibilities.

The store is enormous, with two stories, each of which has an overall floor area measuring 40 feet by 99 feet. The store has a side elevator, mounted in a pyramid roof tower. The original elevator mechanism, with its large, 19th century, serpentine spoke wheels, can still be seen at the top of the tower.

Adjacent to the store is a large one-story, gable-fronted warehouse, with a front gallery. A rear enclosed passageway connects the warehouse with the store.

Both buildings are raised three and a half feet above the ground on brick piers, and both have frame construction and clapboard siding.

The ground floor of the store consists of two rows of counters which run from front to rear of the building. The original Victorian glass display cabinets remain, as do the original shelves with their turned baluster supports. At the rear of the store is a walled-off office area which contains a heavy Queen Anne style staircase leading to the storage area and the meeting room on the second floor. Each story is bisected by a row of Eastlake columns which run front to rear of the building.

The most significant aspect of the store is its Renaissance Revival Facade. Consisting of three bays, the facade has plate glass windows and a wooden first floor awning which rests upon stick style brackets. The second floor has a central double arch window inscribed in a larger arch with wooden voussoirs. This great central arch is flanked by a pair of windows which are ornamented with cornices. The facade is surmounted by a double bracketed cornice which is surmounted in turn by a parapet. The parapet has a central segmental pediment and carved scroll volutes at each end.

## 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input 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	1870's	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Builder: Ovide LaCour
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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Ovide LaCour store is an outstanding example of a plantation store, a fact which can be fully appreciated when one considers old plantation stores. These are typically one-story, gable fronted, unpretentious structures, measuring about 20 feet wide and 40 to 60 feet deep. By contrast the LaCour store is many times this size with two full stories, an elevator, and a separate warehouse building.

The elevator is of great interest to students of industrial archaeology, being one of the oldest extant, wholly original, commercial elevators in the state.

The most important aspect of the LaCour store is its facade. Whereas most plantation stores received no ornamentation at all, the LaCour store received an extensive Renaissance Revival treatment including a double bracketted cornice, a double arched window with voussoirs, a segmental pediment, and a parapet with carved volute scrolls.

The store was owned and run by Ovide LaCour (1850-1929), and his son Ovide B. LaCour (1889-1964) and the latter's wife from the early 1870's until 1970. Ovide LaCour through his diligence overcame the poor education and limited means that characterized his early years to become a prominent businessman in both Pointe Coupee Parish and in New Orleans. His two sons joined their father in the management of his business interests after the completion of their education. The younger son, Ovide Burton LaCour, concentrated on his father's interests in Pointe Coupee Parish, including the store. These businesses suffered some major setbacks in the 1920's, and by the time of Ovide LaCour's death in 1929, most of his holdings were in the hands of receivers. But Ovide B. LaCour ultimately regained his father's Pointe Coupee properties, including the store, and added to them. He and, following his death in 1964, his wife continued to operate the store until 1970.

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bradley, Jared W., Research Report on "Old Hickory" Plantation and the Ovide LaCour Store (1978), unpublished typescript located in National Register file for Old Hickory Plantation, State Historic Preservation Office, Baton Rouge.

## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Approx. 1/2 acre

QUADRANGLE NAME

QUADRANGLE SCALE

UTM REFERENCES

A 15 632900 3411150

B                        

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C                        

D                        

E                        

F                        

G                        

H                        

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION The boundaries were designed merely to encompass the nominated buildings. The boundaries consist of a rectangle fronting on the levee road 100 ft. wide and 130 ft. deep, centering laterally on the buildings.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Dr. H. K. Miller

ORGANIZATION

3876 Chatfield Ave.

STREET & NUMBER

DATE

March 1979

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Baton Rouge

STATE

Louisiana

## 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL   

STATE X

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

*E. Bernard Amis*

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

5-14-79

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

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

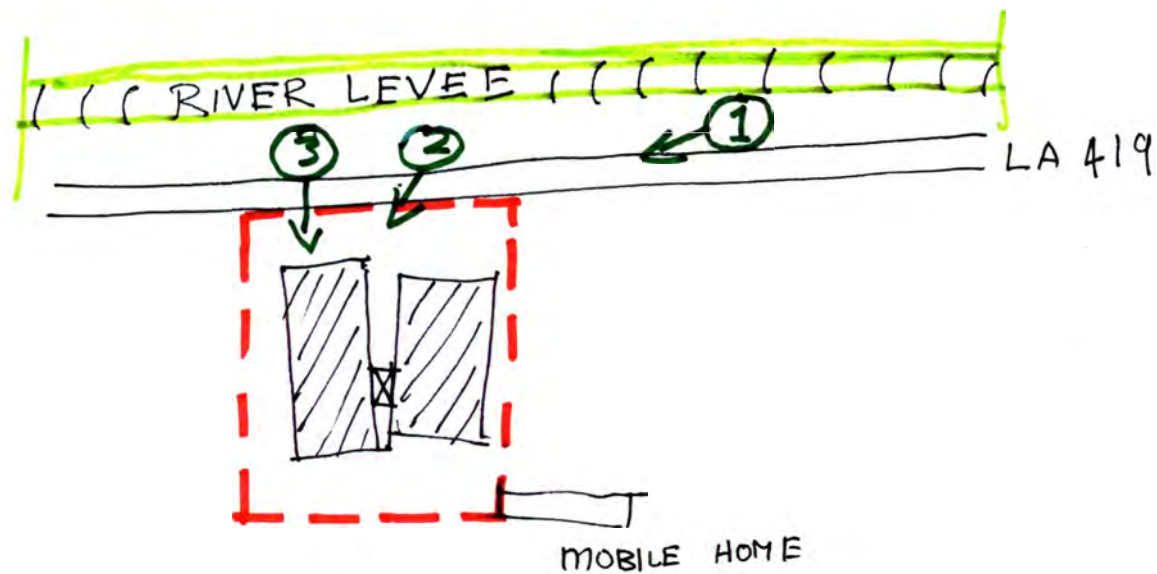
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

3-27-79

DATE

7/26/79



LA COUR  
PLANTATION  
STORE



JUL 27 1979





1. Ovide LaCour Store,
2. LaCour, La. *Pointe Coupee*
3. Jonathan Fricker *Parish*
4. Spring 1979
5. P. O. Box 44247, Baton Rouge, La.
6. See sketch map No. 1
7. No. 1 *g3*

DOE

JUL 27 1979

MAY 22 1979



1. Ovide LaCour Store
2. LaCour, La. *Pointe Coupee Parish*
3. Jonathan Fricker
4. Spring 1979
5. P. O. Box 44247, Baton Rouge, La.
6. See sketch map No. 2
7. No. 2 *of 3*

DOE

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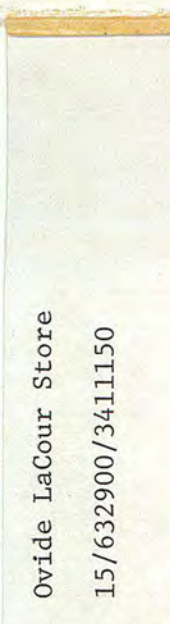
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7. No. 3 *of 3*

DOE

JUL 27 1979

MAY 22 1979





UTM GRID AND 1965 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty		Light-duty	
Medium-duty		Unimproved dirt	

 State Route

JUL 27 1975

SUPPLY CO.  
COURTHOUSE  
767081

LACOUR, L.A.  
SE/4 BATCHLER 15' QUARTER  
N3045-W9130/7.5

1965  
PHOTINSPECTED 1972  
AMS 7645 I SE- SERIE V885



ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE    LOUISIANA

Date Entered    JUL 27 1977

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Steamboat House	New Iberia Iberia Parish
Fisher Historic District	Fisher Sabine Parish
Lewis House	Shreveport Caddo Parish
Tangipahoa Parish Training School Dormitory	Kentwood Tangipahoa Parish
Sullivan House	Bogalusa Washington Parish
St. John's Cathedral	Lafayette Lafayette Parish
LaCour, Ovide, Store	LaCour vicinity Pointe Coupee Parish

Also Notified

Honorable J. Bennett Johnston

Honorable Russell B. Long

Honorable David C. Treen

Honorable Claude (Buddy) Leach

Honorable W. Henson Moore

Honorable John B. Breaux

Honorable Gillis W. Long

State Historic Preservation Officer

Dr. E. Bernard Carrier

Assistant Secretary

Office of Program Development

P.O. Box 44247

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

NR

Byers/bjr

8/3/79

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.



Property

La Cour, Ovide, Store

7 9001080

State

La. (Pointe Caupée)

Working Number

5.22.79.1203

## TECHNICAL

Photos

3

Maps

1,1

CONTROL

OK pl  
5.22.79

HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

The Renaissance Revival facade of the store building makes this an outstanding example of a plantation store. A commercial elevator, purported to be the oldest extant in the state, adds additional significance. Unfortunately, the attached warehouse appears to have structural problems.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept  
Gale Brooks  
7/26/79

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up

Federal Register Entry

9-4-79

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

Entered

7 1979



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PHIL BOGGAN  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

August 29, 2016

Cornell Dukes, President  
Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury  
PO Box 290  
New Roads, LA 70760

RE: Delisting of Ovide LaCour Store, Pointe Coupee Parish, LA

Dear Mr. Dukes:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of our intent to petition for the removal of the above referenced property from the National Register of Historic Places, a process known as delisting. This step is important as we strive to maintain an accurate record of properties in our state that are listed in the Register, still extant, and maintain integrity per National Register Criteria. In many cases, buildings were destroyed many years ago and the official delisting paperwork was not completed. We have made this task a priority for 2016.

The Ovide LaCour Store was listed on the National Register on 7/27/1979. According to the Federal National Register regulations [36 CFR 6-15 (a)(1)], a property may be delisted if it has ceased to meet the criteria for listing on the National Register because the qualities which caused it to be originally listed have been lost or destroyed. Per correspondence with a local historian, the building was demolished in the late 1980s or early 1990s. Because the building, and its qualities that caused it to have been listed, are destroyed, this property will be proposed for removal from the National Register. The final delisting decision will be made by the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service.

The regulations [36 CFR 60.15 (g)] also require that the property's owner be given an opportunity to comment and the chief elected official notified of the proposed action. If you choose to comment, please respond via letter by **October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016** to the following address:

Phil Boggan  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
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Baton Rouge, LA 70804

If you have questions concerning the delisting petition or any other National Register issue, please contact National Register Coordinator, Jessica Richardson, by email at [jrichardson@crt.la.gov](mailto:jrichardson@crt.la.gov), or by phone at 225-219-4595.

Sincerely,

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August 29, 2016

Old Longwood Plantation, LLC  
6774 LA Hwy 419. E.  
Batchelor, LA 70715

RE: Delisting of Ovide LaCour Store, Pointe Coupee Parish, LA

To Whom it May Concern:

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## Jessica G. Richardson

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**From:** bcostellohistory@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 03, 2016 1:56 PM  
**To:** Jessica G. Richardson  
**Subject:** [SPAM] Re: North Bend and Ovide LaCour Store

**Importance:** Low

North Bend, one of several properties having been owned by Julien Poydras, is in great renovated state and is property of Malvina Becnel Pickett.

Alas, Ovide Lacour store, built in 1903 and which had early elevator, was demolished by owners (same family) in the 1980s-90s. Great loss!

Best wishes -

Brian Costello

*Sent from my LG V10, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone*

----- Original message-----

**From:** Jessica G. Richardson  
**Date:** Wed, Aug 3, 2016 11:11 AM  
**To:** Brian Costello ([bcostellohistory@yahoo.com](mailto:bcostellohistory@yahoo.com));  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** North Bend and Ovide LaCour Store

Brian,

I am working on delisting properties that have been destroyed throughout our state, many of which have been lost a very long time ago, but never had official paperwork done removing them from the National Register. Needless to say, I've got a nice stack (sadly) of properties that from what I can tell, are gone. There are two that appear to be gone in Pointe Coupee and before I proceeded with the notification letters I am required to send, I wanted to check with you and see if you knew anything about either property since you are so well versed in the history of the parish.

The first is North Bend. It has an address of LA Hwy 1 in Oscar. Here is what it looked like at the time of nomination: