

## ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY FORM

Name of Structure: Jefferson County Courthouse

Location: Courthouse Square, Louisville, Ga. 30434

Cost: \$45,000 Date of Construction: 1904

Architect/builder: W. F. Denny Contractor: F. P. Heifner

Subsequent architects: Unknown

1938 - partially burned

## TAX MAP/PARCEL NUMBERS

Map 1 Par. 308

Zone 17/E368400/N3651760  
UTM NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Boundary: The entire block upon which the courthouse sits.

Acreage: 4 acres

## DESCRIPTION:

Style: Neo-Classical

Facade Material: Cream colored Brick/Stone

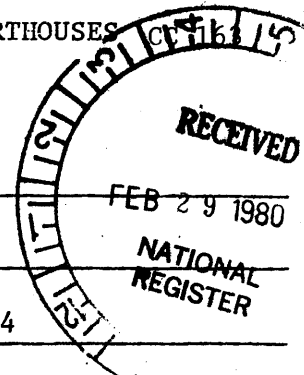
Condition:  Excellent  Good  Fair

Recently remodeled.

The cross plan has projecting Ionic tetrastyle entrance and pediment with a bulls eye window. The entablature is plain. Brick quoins emphasize the edges of the corner pavilions. The clock tower rises from the center of the building and has hooded clocks and a ribbed dome with finial.

Inside there is a wide elegant staircase leading to the second floor courtroom. Before one enters the courtroom, there is a skylight, a surprising feature.

The courtroom has recently been remodeled and, in spite of a lowered accoustical tile ceiling, is done in good taste. Windows have emphasized keystones and alternate with Ionic pilasters. A beaded board wainscoting is around the room. New benches and recessed lighting make this a pleasant room combining old and new.





## SIGNIFICANCE:

This courthouse is situated on the site of the early capital of Georgia-- a large tree shaded square. During excavations for the foundation of this courthouse, old brick and timbers were dug up, revealing the outline of the Old State House.

The architect of the building was a Louisville native, who designed in other cities in Georgia. It has recently been renovated in a tasteful manner. He died in 1905 at age 42. This is the only courthouse attributed to him in Georgia.

The formal dedication of the building took place on November 1, 1904 with a large banquet and several hundred people in attendance.



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