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Okmulgee County Courthouse

Location: 300 ~~West~~ 7th Street, Okmulgee, Oklahoma 40, Okmulgee County 111

Owner: Okmulgee County Board of County Commissioners, Okmulgee County Courthouse

Description: Condition - excellent, unaltered, original site

The Okmulgee County Courthouse is a four-story building constructed of red brick and white limestone. The brick is laid in a running bond course and the first floor exterior is finished with smoothly-cut limestone blocks in coursed layers. The rear facade is a curved 30' by 70' bay. The building has white limestone pedimented entries with scrolled brackets on all sides, and second and third story paired windows are separated by Ionic columns. A modillioned cornice divides the third and attic stories. The attic story has cutaway cornering and it is surmounted by a plain cornice and unadorned roof line. The frieze above the third floor is inscribed with the words, "Okmulgee County Courthouse," in Latin-style lettering. Sculptured torch medallions of limestone are applied between each set of paired windows on all four sides of the attic story.

Significance: 1916-Present; Reipke-Shafer Construction Co., Hair, Tonini and Bramblet

The Okmulgee County Courthouse is significant because of the role it plays in county government and because it is one of the best examples of Revivalistic architecture in northeastern Oklahoma. The structure combines elements of both Georgian Revival and Neo-Classical designs. The overall symmetry and monumental proportions are representative of the academicism and "correct" nature of both styles. The eclectic mix of details is typical of American architecture between 1900 and 1920. The design of the courthouse also exemplifies the skills of the architects, the firm of Hair, Tonini and Bramblet. The Okmulgee Courthouse is another fine example of the Tonini and Bramblet curved outer facade.

Acreage: Less than 1 acre

Quadrangle: 1:24,000/7.5 min., Okmulgee, OK

Verbal Boundry Description: Lots 1-4, Block 110, Original Townsite of the City of Okmulgee, Oklahoma

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