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I.
Parish East Carroll Parish
Municipality Lake Providence
U.S.G.S. Quad Lake Providence, La-Mississippi
Township _____ Range _____ Section _____
Type of Property courthouse and public square
Name (common) Old Courthouse Square
Name (historic) same
Address corner of 1st and Hoad Streets
Lake Providence, La. 71254
Present Owner East Carroll Parish Police Jury
Address Lake Providence, La 71254

Date or period of construction 1899

- II.
1. Good to excellent example of local type X
 2. Average example _____
 3. Poor example _____

III. Physical description of property and historical significance

Set on a two acre public square, the old East Carroll Parish Courthouse consists of two full stories with a three story side tower. Much of the structure has been modified, but the second story courtroom with its wainscoting and lunet windows is intact. The exterior is noteworthy for its crisply cut fenestration, which is emphasized with brick molding. Other ornamental features include the first floor label molded windows, the tower oculus, the paneled frieze, and the Colonial Revial porch which is a later addition. The courthouse is significant as a good representative example of late nineteenth century civic Romanesque Revival architecture as well as the area's only example of that syle.

The adjacent new courthouse, built circa 1935, is comparatively low in proportion, considering its three story height. Ten bays wide, the building is ornamented with streamlined classical detail including heavy fluting, beveled corners, and horizontal lines cut in the limestone to accentuate the windows. Because it is close to 50 years old and because it represents a distinct period in Louisiana courthouse architecture, the new courthouse is listed as a contributing element to the old courthouse square.

IV.
Recorded by East Carroll Parish Historical Society
Date March 1980
For National Register Multiple Resource Nomination

V.
Sources consulted see bibliography on National Register form

David Street

Third Street

Count Square

Second Street

300'

Fourth Street

50'

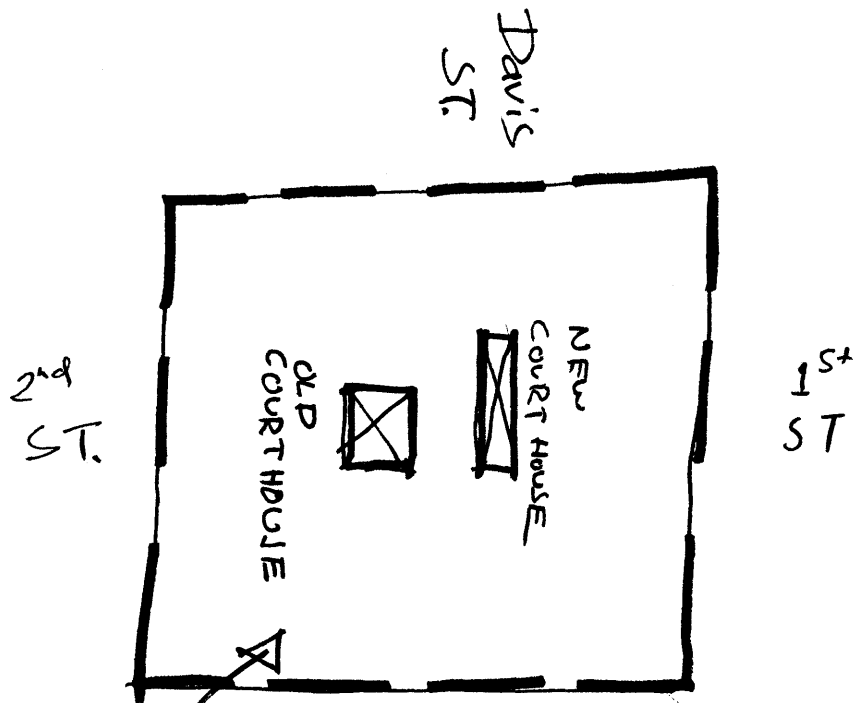
300'

Wood Street

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Davis
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1st
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OLD
COURT HOUSE

NEW
COURT HOUSE

Hood
ST.

Approx. 2.2 Acres

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