United States Department of the Interior Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form



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#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Description

Located on the southeastern corner of the intersection of Grove and Farmer Streets in downtown Vicksburg, 1300 Grove Street is a one-story, brick Greek Revival residence with gabled roof and parapet gable ends. At each gable end are two brick chimneys with molded caps that are linked by a parapet curtain wall. The original brick cornice of the house is obscured by a bracketed Italianate wooden cornice that dates from the late nineteenth century. The northerly facade is a five-bay composition with the bays defined by a regionally unique treatment of brick pilasters with molded brick capitals. The pilasters rest upon a plinth, or water table, that completely encircles all elevations of the house and is pierced at intervals by narrow, upright, open vents.

The window and door openings are topped by flat arches, and all windows of the house are filled with six-over-six, double-hung sash and are closed by original shutter blinds. The center-bay entrance doorway, which features a single-leaf, molded, four-panel door enframed by transom and sidelights over unmolded panels, was originally accessed by a small flight of steps, either of brick or wood, that were replaced by a larger concrete porch. A site investigation has revealed the remnants of a herringbone brick walk that provides physical evidence for the width and depth of the original entry steps.

The interior plan of the house is a regionally typical double-pile plan. An entrance hallway extends one room deep and then widens at the rear of the house to become a principal room flanked by smaller rooms, or what are regionally referred to as "cabinet" rooms. The entrance hallway and flanking large rooms are identically trimmed and feature door and window surrounds that are pilastered with peaked and molded cornices and windows that are set over unmolded panels. The hallway and eastern front room have foliated plaster ceiling centerpieces and molded plaster cornices, but the upper portion of the walls and ceiling in the western front room, which probably also had decorative plaster, have been sheetrocked. The rear rooms are more plainly trimmed in that the door and window surrounds are unmolded and the windows are not set over panels. All interior doors have two molded and fielded panels, all mantel pieces are wooden and pilastered, and the bases throughout the house are molded with two fascia.

Access to the rear yard is through a transomed doorway with single-leaf door that occupies the center bay of the rear facade. Although probably not an original feature of the house, a full-width gallery, now missing, once extended across the rear elevation of the house. In a southeasterly direction behind the house is located the ruin of the original brick kitchen.

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and parallel. The property is located on the southeastern corner of the intersection of Farmer Street (which forms the western boundary) and Grove Steet (which forms the northern boundary).

### 8. Significance

| Period prehistoric 1400–1499 1500–1599 1600–1699 X 1800–1899 1900– | Areas of Significance—C archeology-prehistoric agriculture architecture art commerce communications |                         | iandscape architectur law literature military music philosophy politics/government | re religion science sculpture social/ humanitarian theater transportation other (specify) |
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| Specific dates   | mid-nineteenth century  | / Builder/Architect Ν/Δ |  |   |

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Constructed in the mid-nineteenth century, 1300 Grove Street is a regionally significant expression of Greek Revival architecture. This significance derives principally from its unusual, possibly regionally unique, brick-pilastered, onestory facade and from having almost all of its exterior ornament executed in brick. The brick pilasters, which feature molded brick capitals, serve to emphasize the five-bay division of the facade. The facade was originally further enlivened by a shaped brick cornice, which is now obscured by a later Italianate wooden cornice dating to the late nineteenth century. Flat brick arches define all door and window openings, and all elevations are further enriched by a brick plinth, or water table, which is pierced by narrow, upright, open vents. The parapet gable ends of the house feature brick chimneys with molded caps, and the chimneys are linked by a parapet curtain wall. The house exhibits a regionally typical floor plan that features an entrance hallway, one room deep, that widens at the rear of the house to become a principal room flanked by smaller "cabinet" rooms; however, the lack of an original portico or gallery is atypical for the semi-tropical Mississippi climate. The house achieves additional architectural distinction from its fine interior plasterwork, which includes molded cornices and plaster ceiling centerpieces that rank among the finest centerpieces in Vicksburg. The architectural integrity of the house is outstanding and includes all original millwork and much original hardware.

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### 9. Major Bibliographical References

Miller, Mary W., Historic Natchez Foundation. Inspection of 1300 Grove Street, July 9, 1983

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