

ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY FORM

Name of Structure: Clinch County Courthouse *see addendum 7/21/80*
*for additional information*Location: Homerville, Georgia 31634Cost: _____ Date of Construction: 1896(?) remodeled 1936 & later

Architect/builder: _____ Contractor: _____

Subsequent architects: _____

Boundary/
TAX MAP/PARCEL NUMBERS
See attached map for
boundaries of nominated area

DESCRIPTION:

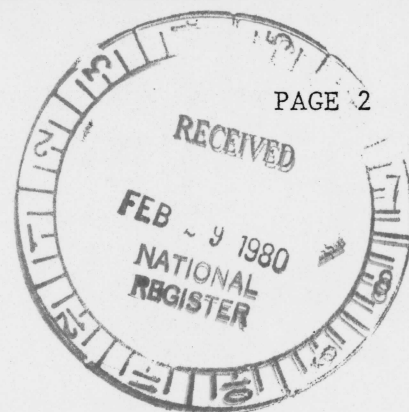
Zone 17/E333100/N3434790
UTM NO. _____Style: Victorian functional with Neoclassical additions Acreage: One AcreFacade Material: Brick, covered with stucco paintCondition: [] Excellent [X] Good [] Fair

The Clinch County Courthouse is rectangular in plan, box-like in massing, and two stories high with a hipped roof. Walls are constructed of common-bond brick. Windows are multi-paned double-sash. The front facade features a two-story portico of six square-sectioned columns and a balcony (both added in 1936). Windows are flat-arched under the portico and round-arched elsewhere. The cornice is of corbelled brick. A jail, of similar design but smaller proportions, is connected to the rear of the courthouse. The interior of the courthouse retains some original plaster walls and wood wainscoting.



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SIGNIFICANCE:

As a repository for records of marriages, wills, land transactions, the courthouse chronicles the county and is a focal point in the life of every citizen.

The Clinch County Courthouse is the third to occupy this site (the previous two burned). Built in 1896, it survives today with alterations made in 1936. The original part of the building is an unusual example of rather plain, utilitarian design from the late-Victorian era, a period when more flamboyant courthouses were being routinely built elsewhere. The Neoclassical embellishments testify to the popularity of Neoclassical architecture in the early-twentieth century.



SEP 18 1980

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chairman
Clinch County Commission
Clinch County Courthouse
Homerville, Ga. 31634

Property

Georgia County Courthouse Thematic Resources

See attached for
reference
numbers

State

Working Number

2-29-80 833

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos 145
Maps 125

96 nominated courthouses. 44 ready to be listed; 52 other need some info — from minor points to more description of other bldgs, clarification of boundaries, etc. — called Ken Thomas 4/8 to discuss attached sheet + sent him a copy. Hold for info, then list those which can be clarified w/in time period.

DUBIE
4/8/80

State wants listed for preservation work. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Additional info received + reviewed; questions discussed with Ray, Sally + Carol — state asked for info on several properties as a result (see notes). Should not list until after Sept 3, 1980 as per State request.

Grady Co. Courthouse to be returned to state —

HOLD for info ARCHEOLOGIST

ACCEPT
DUBIE
8/12/80

Questions resolved as to size + impact of additions + other bldgs on parcels; new photos received, etc. (see various phone slips); info entered on survey sheets.

OTHER

Wilkes Co. discussed w/Carol Shule, we will accept; Grady to be returned.

Based on discussion with Ken Thomas + regional planner 9/12/80, Wilkes Co. Courthouse will be listed (assuming photos to be sent verify info obtained) based on a) continuing historical use b) continued existence of interior first

ACCEPT
DUBIE
9/8/80

floor materials + features like cast spiral stair supporting strength of historic jail built at the time of courthouse + designed by Frank Milburn. Inventory

HAER

jail photos received — strengthens eligibility of courthouse complex.

ACCEPT
9/12/80
9/18/80

Review

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up

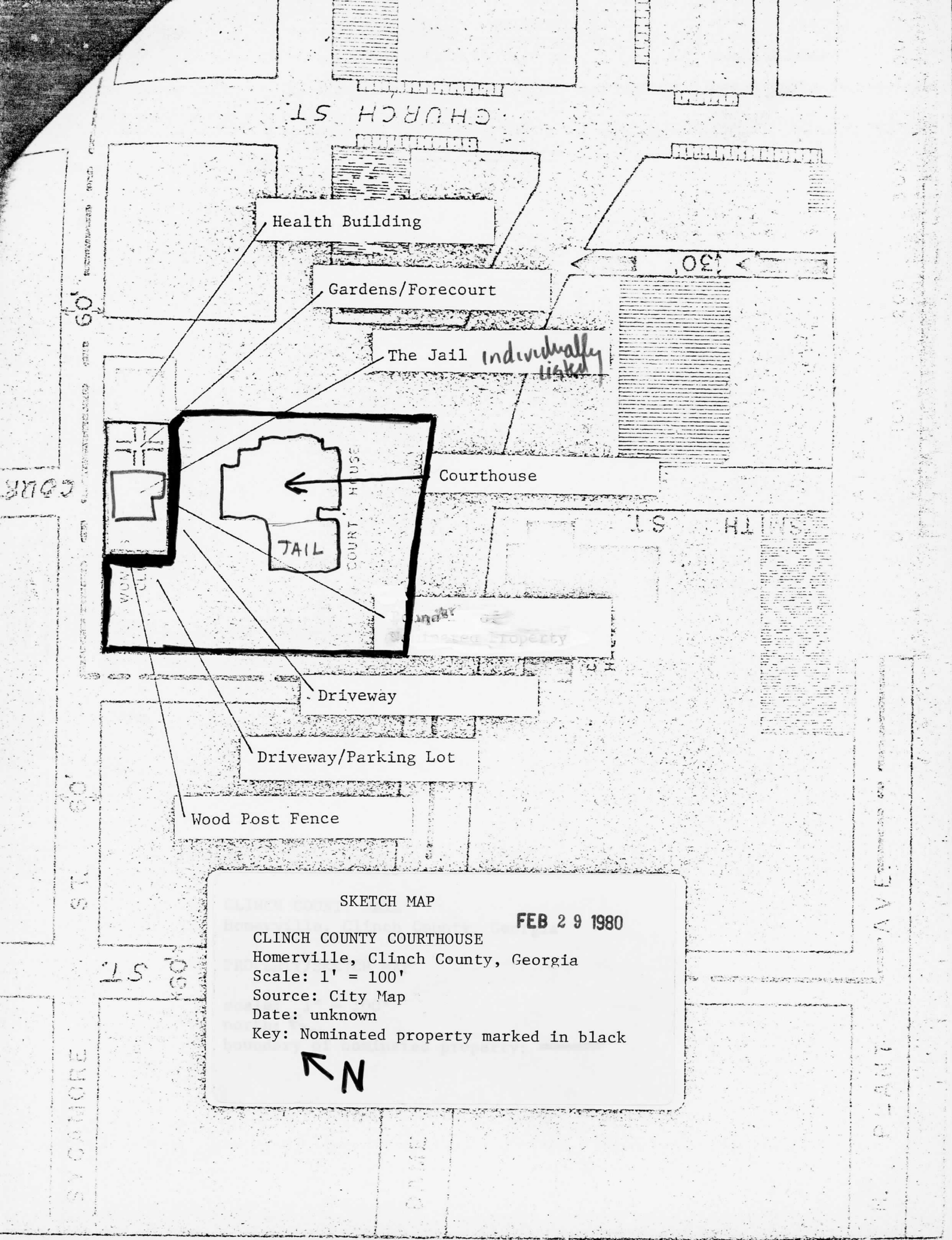
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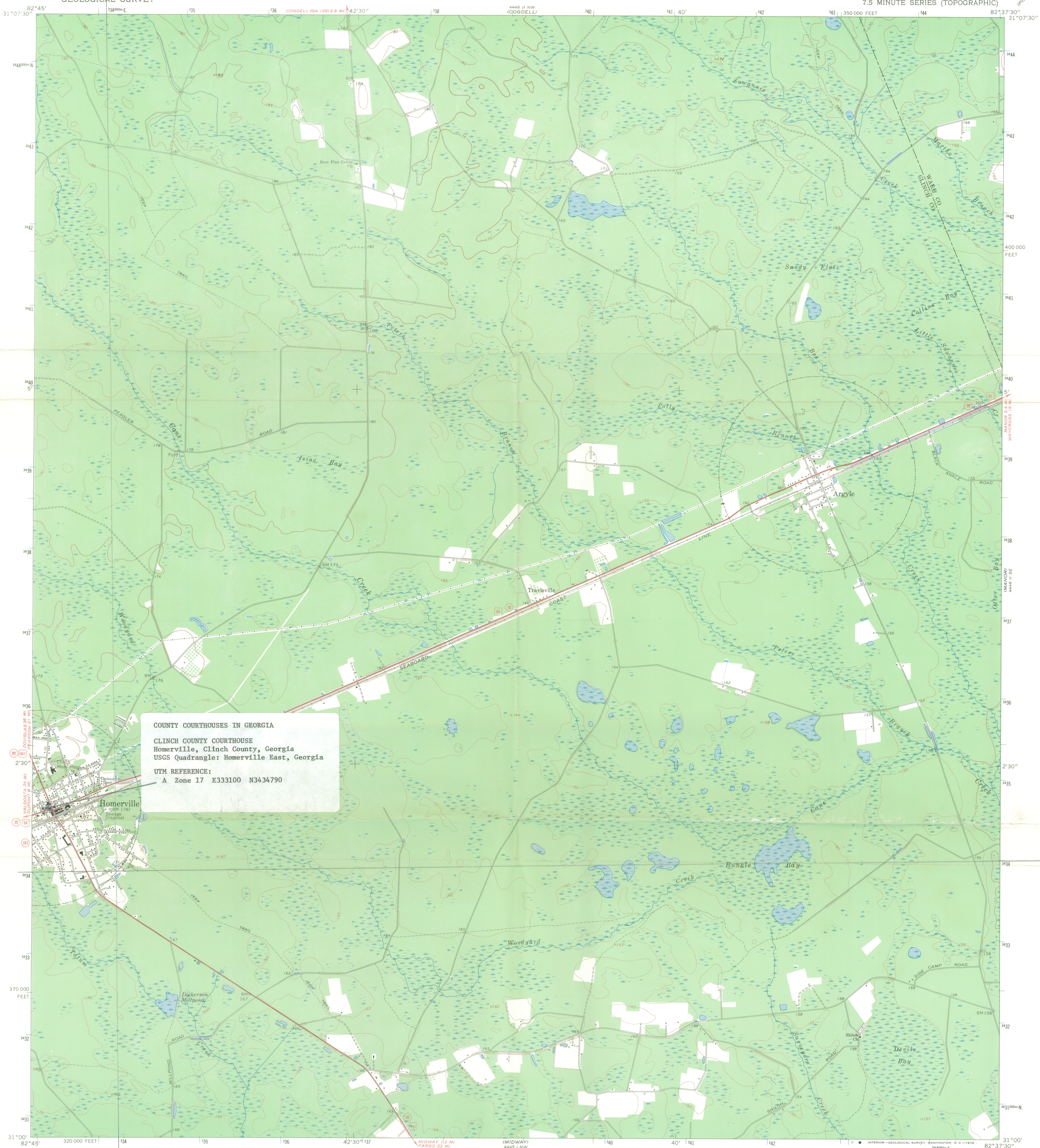
Federal Register Entry

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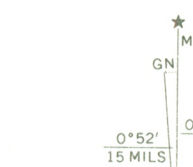


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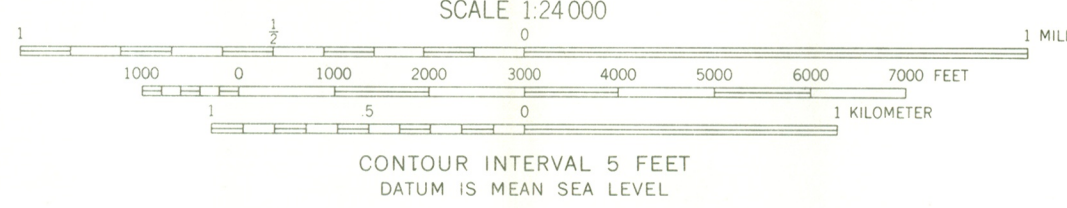


COUNTY COURTHOUSES IN GEORGIA
CLINCH COUNTY COURTHOUSE
Homerville, Clinch County, Georgia
USGS Quadrangle: Homerville East, Georgia
UTM REFERENCE:
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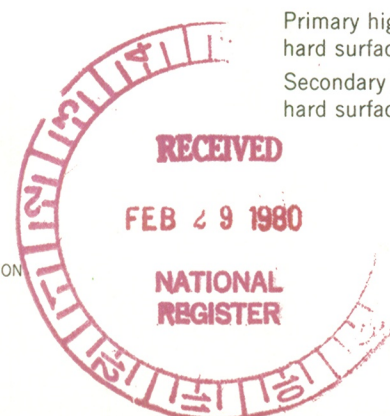
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Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1963. Field checked 1968.
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Georgia coordinate system, east zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 17, shown in blue.
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



UTM GRID AND 1968 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary highway, all weather, hard surface
Secondary highway, all weather, hard surface
Light-duty road, all weather, improved surface
Unimproved road, fair or dry weather
U. S. Route
State Route

HOMERVILLE EAST, GA.
N3100-W8237.5/7.5

1968

AMS 4446 II SW-SERIES W845



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November 28, 1979

Dr. Elizabeth A. Lyon, Chief
Historic Preservation Section
Acting State Historic Preservation Officer
Department of Natural Resources
270 Washington Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Re: Clinch County Courthouse

Dear Dr. Lyon:

Our Board is pleased to learn that our Courthouse is potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

The building has been kept in good repair and still functions as a Courthouse. It is located in the center of the county seat of Homerville and is a source of pride to the community. It also receives many favorable comments from tourists and visitors.

We sincerely appreciate your assistance and cooperation and look forward to a favorable reply from the Review Board in the near future.

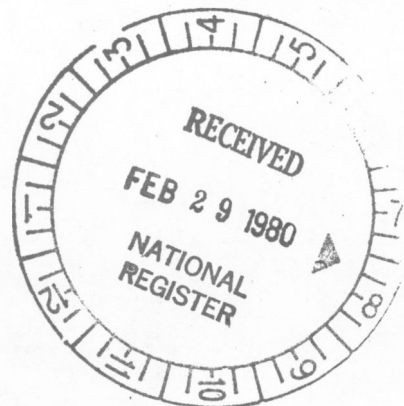
Sincerely,

George A. Sirmans, Chairman
Clinch County Board of Commissioners

GAS:mm



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RE: County Courthouses in Georgia
Clinch County Courthouse

Dear Dr. Lyon:

I am the current owner of the above named property which is under consideration by your office for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

I approve of my property being proposed for the National Register.

Yes
X

No

Comments:

Attached:

November 28, 1979

Date

George A. Sirmans
Signature
Chairman
Clinch County Board of Commissioners
Title

George A. Sirmans
Type or Print Name