Form No. 10-300 (Rev. 10-74)

CITY, TOWN

New York

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED JUN 1 8 1982

STATE

New York 10007

e san er i de jere er Grande er i de jere	055	NOTELIOTIONO IN MONE	TO COMPLETE !!	IATIONAL DECISED FOR	10	
f .79	SEE	TYPE ALL ENTRIES	COMPLETE APP	ATIONAL REGISTER FORM PLICABLE SECTIONS	15	
NAMI	Ε					
HISTORIC	Appel	late Division of the	Supreme Court	of the State of New Y	ork,	
AND/OR CO	First	Department				
AND/OR CO		late Division Courtho	use			
LOCA				And the gold and the same	of entertaining	
STREET & N						
	27	Madison Avenue		NOT FOR PUBLICATION		
CITY, TOWN				CONGRESSIONAL DIS	TRICT	
STATE	New Y		VICINITY OF CODE	18 COUNTY	CODE	
	New Y	ork	036	. New York	061	
CLASS	SIFIC	CATION				
CATE	GORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRE	SENT USE	
_DISTRIC	т	X PUBLIC	X_OCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM	
_XBUILDIN	NG(S)	PRIVATE	UNOCCUPIED	COMMERCIAL	PARK	
STRUCT	URE	вотн	WORK IN PROGR	RESSEDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESIDENCE	
SITE		PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE		ITRELIGIOUS	
_OBJECT		NAIN PROCESS	X_YES: RESTRICTED	D X_GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC	
		NH BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRIC		TRANSPORTATION	
OWNI	ER OI	F PROPERTY	_NO	MILITARY	_OTHER:	
	LIK O	INOILKII				
NAME (Soo (Contin	uation Sheet)				
STREET & N		dacton bheet)				
CITY, TOWN				STATE	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	
			VICINITY OF			
LOCA	TION	NOF LEGAL DESCI	RIPTION			
COURTHOU REGISTRY C		ETC. New York County Re	gister's Offi	ce		
STREET & N						
	-	31 Chambers Street		STATE		
CITY, TOWN		New York		New Yo	rk 10010	
CITY, TOWN		TATION IN EXIST	ING SURVE	EYS		
	ESEN	TITLE OF THE MILE OF				
REPRI	ESEN		a the amonest	to boom dotormined olio	TALAT TOO X T	
REPRI				y been determined elig	gible?yes_X_1	
REPRI	rks Pr	На	LP-0235	y been determined elig		



CONDITION

CHECK ONE

CHECK ONE

XEXCELLENT —GOOD

_FAIR

__DETERIORATED
__RUINS
__UNEXPOSED

_UNALTERED X_ALTERED

X ORIGINAL SITE
_MOVED DATE NA

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Appellate Division Courthouse, completed in 1899, is a relatively small structure in the neo-Italian Renaissance style inspired by Palladian sources. Three stories high above a basement, the building is faced with marble. The main facade, facing 25th Street, is dominated by a centrally placed two-story entrance portico. The portico is composed of six fluted Corinthian columns resting on pedestal bases and supporting a full entablature above. Above the entablature rises a triangular pediment at third floor level. Set within the pediment is a sculptured figural group depicting the Triumph of the Law. The steps leading up to the portico are flanked by sculptural figures representing Wisdom and Force. The rear wall of the portico contains five entrances with arched and triangular pediments. Above the triangular pediments are sculptural groups representing Morning and Night, to the left, and Noon and Evening, to the right. Balustraded windows at the second floor level rise above the five entrances.

Flanking the portico are groups of tall windows with arched and triangular pediments at the first floor and large, nearly square windows at the second floor. All windows have full, heavily molded enframements.

The narrower Madison Avenue facade features a balustraded Corinthian colonnade with four fluted columns supporting a full entablature. The design of the windows behind the colonnade is similar to the treatment of the openings in the rear wall of the entrance portico. The entablature with its modillioned and dentilled cornice, joins the continuous entablature above the second floor on the 25th Street facade. The third floor is set back slightly behind the cornice and has its own simple entablature. On the 25th Street facade is a series of pilasters marking bays, while on the Madison Avenue facade the windows are flanked by caryatids representing the four seasons.

Above the third story is a solid roof parapet supporting statues representing great legal figures of history. These are Zoroaster, Alfred the Great, Lycurgus, Solon, Louis IX, Manu, Flavius Anicius Justinian, Confucius, and Moses. A statue of Mohammed was removed in 1955 at the request of Islamic religious leaders. Centrally placed on the parapet are allegorical figures representing Justice with Power and Study on the 25th Street facade and Peace on the Madison Avenue facade. In 1955 extensive restoration work was carried out on the marble facing, and balustrades at the roof and basement areaway were replaced by solid parapets.

Immediately within the entrances is the main hall which functions as a lobby and waiting room. Except for the furniture and floor covering, the main hall retains its original features including Siena marble walls and piers, coffered ceiling, chandeliers, and wall fixtures. The outstanding feature of the main hall is the extensive series of murals at frieze level above the marble wall facing. The murals display allegorical figures depicting themes related to the Law. These are the Transmission of the Law on the north wall by the staircases, Justice on the east, west, and portions of the south walls, and Law and Equity above the three center entrances on the south wall.

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

For HCRS use only received date entered

Appellate Division Courthouse
Continuation sheet New York County, N.Y.

Item number

4

Page

2

Carl Graziano, Executive Assistant Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court, First Department 27 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010

and

Robert Litke, Commissioner Department of General Services 1800 Municipal Building New York, New York 10007

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

For HCRS use only received date entered

Appellate Division Courthouse Continuation sheet New York County, N.Y.

Item number

Page 2

The ornate staircases with openwork bronze railings at the north of the main hall lead up to the second floor where judges' chambers and offices are located. The second, as well as the third, floor offices have been periodically modernized. Offices are also located at the first floor to the west of the main hall. At the east end of the main hall are two entrances leading to the lawyers' anteroom and waiting room, and to the court room. The lawyers' anteroom and waiting room retain virtually all of their original features including ceiling cornices and friezes, lighting fixtures, and woodwork. This woodwork includes not only door and window enframements but also the very handsome coat stalls in the anteroom.

The most important room of the courthouse is the courtroom with its rich detail and lavish decorative effects. The walls are faced with Siena marble and divided into bays by pilasters with Corinthian capitals. The ornate coffered ceiling is dominated by a central stained-glass dome. Stained-glass windows are placed in several of the bays. Original chandeliers, wall fixtures, furniture, and woodwork remain intact. A low balustered railing separates the spectator seats from the center area for court officials. On the east wall is the massive justices' bench with its intricately carved ornamental detail. As in the main hall, allegorical murals at frieze level are a significant feature of the room. On the east wall they depict Wisdom, the Powers of the Law, Justice of the Law, and the seals of the city and state. Behind the justices' bench is the Reign of the Law. On the north wall are the judicial and other virtues—Moderation, Veneration, Perspicuity, Eloquence, Reticence, Research, Unity, and Fortitude. Justice, Truth, Philosophy, Courage, Patriotism, Logic, Knowledge, and Prudence occupy the south wall. This is the only courtroom in the courthouse.

An addition was built in 1953 to the north of the courthouse, just before restoration work proceeded on the courthouse. Six stories high, it is designed in a simplified classical style to harmonize with the main building. The windows are simple unadorned rectangular openings except for those at the first floors which have lintels with cornices. A band course is set below the sixth story and a simple cornice crowns the building. Offices to serve the court are located within the addition and hallways connect it to the courthouse. For purposes of this nomination, the addition is considered to be a non-historic structure.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Appellate Division Courthouse houses the First Department of the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court of New York. A significant example of neo-Italian Renaissance architecture inspired by Palladian sources, the building was designed by James Brown Lord and built in 1896-99. An integral part of the design is the sculptural decoration and mural painting depicting aspects of the theme of Justice and the Law. This union of architecture, sculpture, and painting makes the courthouse an important example of the turn-of-the-century movement to integrate the arts. 3

After the Appellate Division was established in 1894, the justices themselves chose a site for the new courthouse on Madison Square; funds were raised by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, and James Brown Lord (1859-1902) was chosen by the justices and the commissioners as architect.

Lord, born in New York, was the son of Margaretta Brown Lord, whose father James Brown was a prominent banker and partner in Brown Brothers, and James Lord, who was a descendant of lawyer Daniel Lord. After graduating from Princeton in 1879, Lord joined the architectural firm of William A. Potter. While with Potter's firm, he assisted in the design of the Union Theological Seminary (1883) at Park Avenue and 70th Street. In 1883 Lord began receiving commissions for private houses. Examples of his work were built in New York City, Yonkers, Tuxedo Park, Roslyn, Long Island, and Bar Harbor, Maine. Beginning in 1890 Lord joined with Stanford White of McKim, Mead & White and Bruce Price to design the King Model Houses on 138th Street between Seventh and Eighth Avenues.

The choice of Lord for the courthouse commission is somewhat surprising since most of Lord's earlier work had been residential. Nonetheless he was recommended highly by Bruce Price, soon to be president of the Architectural League, who had worked with Lord in Tuxedo Park and on the King Model houses. Lord's family connections were undoubtedly also useful. Lord's plans for the courthouse were approved, apparently without difficulty, in 1896.

For his design Lord chose the Palladian Italian Renaissance mode, a style which had long been popular for civic architecture (It had been used to splendid effect some 40 years earlier in the "Tweed" Courthouse in New York City.) and been given new impetus by the success of the Chicago World's Columbian

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(See Continuation Sheet)

				THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2 IS NOT THE PERSON NAME
10 GEOGRAPHICA ACREAGE OF NOMINATED F UTM REFERENCES	ALDATA PROPERTY less than on		Quad name: Brookl Quad scale: 1:240	
OTM REFERENCES	Some Hill Crosses Con	don't strat be so in	of the first the same time.	
A 1 8 5 8 5 5 ZONE EASTING C	3,0 4,511,014,1,0 NORTHING	and househoused bosons	STING NORTHII	NG
VERBAL BOUNDARY D	ESCRIPTION			
	minated property co approximately 150		9 inches, as outl	ined on
	11.		Arm'. Y	<i>(</i>
• 9 •	· · · · · · · ·			rika elipaina apun asursiaa
	AND COUNTIES FOR PROF	PERTIES OVERLAPPING	STATE OR COUNTY BOUN	DARIES
STATE NI	CODE	COUNTY		CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY		CODE
	ED BY		DATE	
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, 1	Covell n Field Services		February 19 TELEPHONE (5:8) 474-	
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I	Covell n Field Services		February 19 TELEPHONE (5:8) 474- STATE	0479
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITYOR TOWN Albany	Covell n Field Services Bldg. #1	ION OFFICED (February 19 TELEPHONE (5:8) 474- STATE New York 1	0479 <u></u> 2238
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITYOR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1		February 19 TELEPHONE (5:8) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION	0479 <u></u> 2238
ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITY OR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVATION EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE		February 19 TELEPHONE (5:8) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION	0479 <u></u> 2238
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITY OR TOWN Albany THE I	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVATION EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE Soric Preservation Officer for the type of inclusion in the Nation	E OF THIS PROPERTY WISTATE \overline{X} the National Historic Presental Register and certify the	February 19 TELEPHONE (518) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL ervation Act of 1966 (Public	0479 2238 J
ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITYOR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR THE I NATIONAL As the designated State Histohereby nominate this proper	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVAT EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE Soric Preservation Officer for the style for inclusion in the National Park Services	E OF THIS PROPERTY WI STATE X the National Historic Presenal Register and certify the	February 19 TELEPHONE (518) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL ervation Act of 1966 (Public	0479
Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITYOR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR THE I NATIONAL As the designated State Histohereby nominate this proper criteria and procedures set for	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVAT EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE Soric Preservation Officer for the style for inclusion in the National Park Services	E OF THIS PROPERTY WI STATE X the National Historic Presenal Register and certify the	February 19 TELEPHONE (518) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL ervation Act of 1966 (Public	0479 2238 J
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITY OR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR THE I NATIONAL As the designated State Hist hereby nominate this proper criteria and procedures set for STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATI TITLE Comm	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVATI EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE oric Preservation Officer for the street of the National Park Service of the National P	The National Historic Present Register and certify the Note of the National Historic Present Register and certify the Note of	February 19 TELEPHONE (5.8) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL ervation Act of 1966 (Public nat it has been evaluated as	0479 2238 J
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITY OR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR THE I NATIONAL As the designated State Hist hereby nominate this proper criteria and procedures set for STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATI TITLE Comm	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVATI EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE oric Preservation Officer for to try for inclusion in the Nation orth by the National Park Sen	The National Historic Present Register and certify the Note of the National Historic Present Register and certify the Note of	February 19 TELEPHONE (5.8) 474- STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL ervation Act of 1966 (Public nat it has been evaluated as	0479 2238 J
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITY OR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR THE I NATIONAL As the designated State Hist hereby nominate this proper criteria and procedures set for STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATI TITLE Comm	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVATI EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE oric Preservation Officer for to try for inclusion in the Nation orth by the National Park Sent ON OFFICER SIGNATURE issioner THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUS Day	the National Historic Presently the National Historic Presently the National Historic Present Processing the National Register and certify the National Register Regi	February 19 TELEPHONE (5.8) 474 STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL Prvation Act of 1966 (Public lat it has been evaluated at the policy of the poli	0479 2238 J
NAME/TITLE Anne B. ORGANIZATION Historic Preservation STREET & NUMBER Empire State Plaza, I CITY OR TOWN Albany 12 STATE HISTOR THE I NATIONAL As the designated State Hist hereby nominate this proper criteria and procedures set for STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATI TITLE Comm	Covell Field Services Bldg. #1 RIC PRESERVATI EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE oric Preservation Officer for the street of the National Park Service of the National P	the National Historic Presently the National Historic Presently the National Historic Present Processing the National Register and certify the National Register Regi	February 19 TELEPHONE (5.8) 474 STATE New York 1 CERTIFICATION THIN THE STATE IS: LOCAL Prvation Act of 1966 (Public lat it has been evaluated at the policy of the poli	0479

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

For HCRS use only received date entered

Appellate Division Courthouse Continuation sheet New York County, N.Y.

Item number

_

Page 2

Exhibition of 1893. The Columbian Exhibition was also very important in establishing an art movement which called for the integration of architecture, sculpture, and painting. The Appellate Division was the first major example in New York to carry out the ideals of the movement and is perhaps the only building in New York to have such a completely integrated program of architecture, sculpture, and painting. 5

The union of the arts seems to have been planned by Lord from the inception of the design, and it was one of the features praised by Price to the justices and Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. Lord consulted the National Sculpture Society to assist him in devising the sculptural program and in hiring sculptors. Sixteen sculptors were hired, and a committee of four was appointed, consisting of Lord as chairman, Daniel Chester French, Charles Niehaus, and Frederick Ruckstull, to "supervise the harmonizing of the different statues." The other sculptors were Herbert Adams, George Bissell, Karl Bitter, Henry Bush-Brown, Thomas Shields Clarke, William Couper, John Donoghue, Jonathan Hartley, Charles Lopez, Henry A. Lukeman, Philip Martiny, Edward C. Potter, and Maximilian Schwartzott. Many of these sculptors had worked in Chicago's Columbian Exhibition and on the Library of Congress. The sculpture, all placed on the exterior of the building, allegorically depicts various aspects of Justice and the Law and great lawgivers. Stylistically, the sculpture is based on antique classical and Renaissance precedents.

The decoration of the interior was equally complex. Through the National Society of Mural Painters ten artists were selected: Willard L. Metcalf, H. Siddons Mowbray, Robert Reid, and Charles Y. Turner to decorate the main hall; and Edwin H. Blashfield, Kenyon Cox, Joseph Lauber, George W. Maynard, Edward Simmons, and Henry O. Walker to decorate the courtroom. Like the sculptors, most of the muralists had had experience at the World's Columbian Exhibition and the Library of Congress. The artists formed a committee with Lord and selected America's most prominent muralist, John LaFarge, as arbiter to assure coherence among their works. Together they devised a uniform scale for the figures, a color scheme, and a background. The National Society wrote out a program to be followed. 10 Within the constraints of the program and the basic scheme "the idiosyncracy of the individual was allowed to have full play." I As with the sculpture on the exterior, the murals allegorically depict various aspects of Justice and the Law. The intent was for the murals to be not only decorative but also instructive and edifying for courthouse visitors and justices alike. In execution the style reflects the influence of Italian mural painters, especially Michelangelo and Raphael.

Other artisans who participated in the decoration of the interior were D. Maitland Armstrong, whose firm Maitland Armstrong Co. executed the stained-glass dome and windows in the courtroom, Herter Brothers, who supplied the furniture, and the George C. Flint Co., which did the cabinet work. 13

The Appellate Court took formal possession of the courthouse on January 2, 1900, with Justice Charles H. Van Brunt presiding. Since that auspicious moment, it has become the busiest appellate court in the world. 14 The court

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

received date entered

For HCRS use only

Appellate Division Courthouse
Continuation sheet New York County, N.Y.

Item number

0

Page 3

hears most of the appeals from civil and criminal courts in New York and Bronx counties. It also has the responsiblity of admitting attorneys to the Bar and of disciplining attorneys for unprofessional conduct. For these reasons it is one of the most important courts in New York State. According to Charles D. Breitel, former Chief Judge of the New York State Court of Appeals:

There is no doubt that man's physical surroundings are significant and often crucial to the stimulation and inspiration which a mind needs to do its work. Of course, the building and all its appurtenances also remind one of its great past. It is far from the oldest court building and the Appellate Division is also far from one of the oldest courts in the State but unquestionably, both the building and the court which it houses have been among the greatest in architectural and jurisprudential magnificence. 15

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

Appellate Division Courthouse Item number 7 & 8 For HCRS use only received date entered

Page 4

FOOTNOTES

¹For more detailed descriptions of all sculpture on the building see <u>Temple</u> of Justice: The Appellate Division Courthouse (New York: The Architectural League of New York and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 1977), insert.

For more detailed description of all murals in the courthouse see Temple of Justice, insert.

³Temple of Justice, p. 13.

Continuation sheet New York County, N.Y.

⁴Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, June 30, 1896, pp. 622-623.

Other New York examples are John R. Thomas's Hall of Records (now Surrogate's Court) of 1899-1907, which features mosaics rather than painted murals; Cass Gilbert's U.S. Custom House, Bowling Green, of 1900-07, which lacked a mural program until the 1930s; and Charles McKim's Morgan Library of 1903-07, which lacks an extensive sculptural program.

⁶Sinking Fund, pp. 622-623.

⁷Frederick W. Ruckstull, Great Works of Art and What Makes Them Great (New York, 1925), p. 531.

⁸For biographical information on the sculptors see Henry Hope Reed, Jr., The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department (New York: Municipal Art Society, 1957), biographical supplement.

⁹For biographical information on the muralists see Reed, biographical supplement.

¹⁰Reed, p. [2].

11 Charles H. Caffin, "Decorations for the Appellate Court," Harper's Weekly, 44 (January 20, 1900), 59.

¹²Temple of Justice, p. 34.

¹³Reed, p. [4].

14Ibid., p. [1].

¹⁵Temple of Justice, p. 7.

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

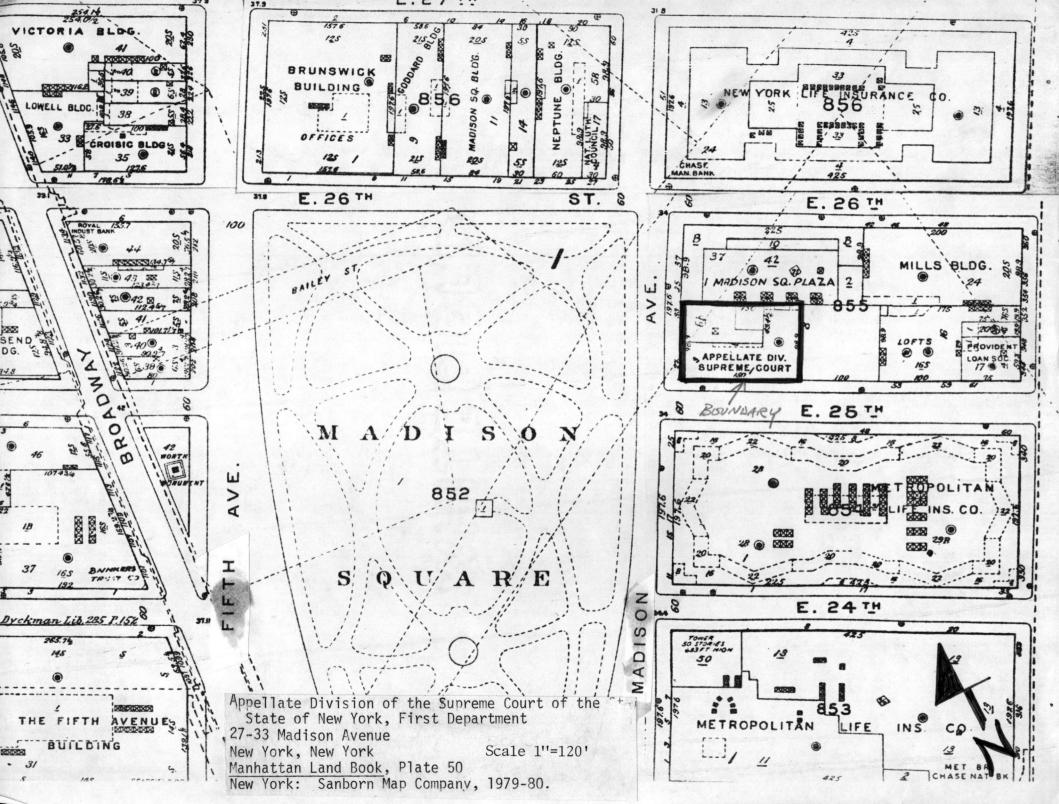
For HCRS use only received date entered

Continuation sheet New York County, N.Y. Item number

(

Page 2

- Caffin, Charles H. "Decorations for the Appellate Court." Harper's Weekly, 44 (January 20, 1900), 59-62.
- deKay, Charles. "The Appellate Division Court in New York City." The Independent, 53 (August 1, 1901), 1795-1802.
- "The New Appellate Court House, New York City." Architectural Record, 9 (April 1900), 429-440.
- Reed, Henry Hope, Jr. The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department. New York: Municipal Art Society, 1957.
- Temple of Justice: The Appellate Division Courthouse. New York: The Architectural League and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 1977. Contains a very detailed bibliography.
- Works of Art Belonging to the City of New York. New York: Art Commission of the City of New York, 1909.



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

Appellate Division Courthouse of New York State, New York County, NEW YORK,

	1/
	Working No. 4/18/82-1793 Fed Reg Date: 2.1.83
	Working No. 24 21
	Fed. Reg. Date: 2. 1.83 Date Due: 7/15/82 - 8/2/82
	Action: _ ACCEPT_ 1/24/82
resubmission	RETURN
nomination by person or local government	REJECT
owner objection /	Federal Agency:
appeal /	No desistan
Substantive Review: sample request	appeal NR decision
Reviewer's comments:	
WELL DOCUMENTED NOMINATION.	Basan Critaria AC MERENT
vere polimentes pointio-11010.	Recom. / Criteria 4, C / ACCEPT
	Discipline ARCHITETURAL HISTORY
	Discipline ARCHIECURA HISTORY
	Date 1/26/82
	see continuation sheet
1. Name 2. Location	
2. Location	
3. Classification	
Category Ownership Status Present Use	
Public Acquisition Accessible	
4. Owner of Property	
5. Location of Legal Description	
6. Representation in Existing Surveys	
	wes no
has this property been determined eligible?	lee —
7. Description	
Condition Check one Check one	
excellentdeterioratedunalteredoriginal sitegoodruinsalteredmoved datefairunexposed	
Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance	
summary paragraph	
completeness	
clarity alterations/integrity	
dates	
boundary selection	

8. Significance					
Period Areas of Significance—Check	and justify below				
Specific dates Build	der/Architect	Yorks States	well to employee		
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)			AND	winuo" d	
summary paragraph					
completeness					
clarity					
applicable criteria					
justification of are checked	∌a s				
relating significance	e to				
context					
relationship of inte	grity e				
_₩ justification of ex	ception				
other					
		· Santa Sant			
	-I Deference				
9. Major Bibliographic	al nelerence				
10. Geographical Data					
Acreage of nominated property					
UMT References					
Verbal boundary description and justification	on .				
11. Form Prepared By	de la companya del companya de la companya del companya de la comp				
		Hicer Certificati	on		
12. State Historic Pro		meer Gertingan	and another states		
The evaluated significance of this property within national state	local				
Page 400 Page 200					
State Historic Preservation Officer signature					
title date					
13. Other					
Maps					
Photographs					
Other					
Questions concerning t	his nomination	on may be direct	ed to		
			D ho	ne: 202	272 - 350
Signed		Date	Pho	110. 202	



1. New York State Supreme Court,
Appellate Division
Madison Avenue at East 25th Street
New York, N. Y. Company
Photo by: Stephen L. Senigo, 1980.
Neg. at: New York City Landmarks
Preservation Commission.
View from southwest.



2. New York State Supreme Court,
Appellate Division
Madison Avenue at East 25th Street
New York, N. Y. County
Photo by: Stephen L. Senigo, 1980.
Neg. at: New York City Landmarks
Preservation Commission.
Central portion of south facade.



Appellate Division
Madison Avenue at East 25th Street
New York, N. Y. County
Photo by: Stephen L. Senigo, 1980.
Neg. at: New York City Landmarks
Preservation Commission.
View of Court Room



4. New York State Supreme Court,
Appellate Division
Madison Avenue at East 25th Street
New York, N. Y.
Photo by: Stephen L. Senigo, 1980.
Neg. at: New York City Landmarks
Preservation Commission.
Skylight in Courtroom.

Colored Sons

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

APPELLATE DIVISION - FIRST DEPARTMENT

27 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N.Y. 10010

340-0400

February 25, 1982

Ms. Anne B. Covell
Program Analyst
Historic Preservation Field
Services Bureau
N.Y. State Parks & Recreation
Agency Building, i Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12238

Dear Ms. Covell:

I am in receipt of a communication dated February 24, 1982, from Mr. Orin Lehman and Ms. Ann Webster Smith, with respect to the listing of our Courthouse in the National and State Registers of Historic Places. Mr. Lehman's communication indicated that a copy of the proposed nomination was available in your office and I would appreciate it if a copy could be mailed to me. Also, Mr. Lehman's communication showed the address of the Court as 27-33 Madison Ave. Please note that the correct address of the Court is simply "27 Madison Avenue", New York, N.Y.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again express the appreciation of the Court for your efforts on our behalf. We look forward with great anticipation to having this honor bestowed on our magnificent building.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

Carl Graziano

Evecutive Accietant



NEW YORK STATE PARKS & RECREATION Agency Building 1, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12238 Information 518 474-0456

Orin Lehman, Commissioner

April 12, 1982

Carl Graziano
Executive Assistant
Supreme Court of the
State of New York
Appellate Division First Department
27 Madison Ave.
New York, NY 10010

Dear Mr. Graziano:

Thank you for your letter supporting nomination of the Appellate Division Courthouse to the State and National Registers of Historic Places. Enclosed is the copy of the draft nomination that you requested. Please feel free to call Anne Covell (212-977-8243) if you have any additional questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Kathleen LaFrank Archivist Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau

KLF/rp cc: A. Covell