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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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Nat. Register of Historic Places
National Park Service

DATE ENTERED

FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Federal Building

AND/OR COMMON

(Downtown South Bend Multiple Resource Area)

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

204 South Main

N/A NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

South Bend

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Indiana

N/A VICINITY OF

CODE

018

COUNTY

St. Joseph

CODE

141

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC

PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

N/A

STATUS

OCCUPIED

UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

YES: RESTRICTED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

MUSEUM

PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)

U.S. Postal Service, c/o Mr. David W. Dogan, Dir. /G.S.A. Public Building Services

STREET & NUMBER

2-1-4, Federal Center

Office of Real Estate, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW

/74 N. Washington Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Washington, DC, 20260

N/A VICINITY OF

Battle Creek, Michigan

49017

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Recorder's Office

STREET & NUMBER

County/City Building

CITY, TOWN

South Bend

STATE

Indiana

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Indiana Historic Sites & Structures Inventory

DATE

1975-81

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Indiana Department of Natural Resources

CITY, TOWN

Indianapolis

STATE

Indiana

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Federal Building on the northwest corner of Main and Jefferson Streets is a four-story, Neo-Classical style structure of Indiana limestone with a granite base and bronze window spandrels. The piers, which separate the recessed windows and spandrels on the first three floors, are fluted pilasters with foliated capitals. The fourth floor, which is set back, is separated from the lower floors with a projecting string course. The frieze above the fourth floor contains a carved Greek fret pattern. The windows of the Federal Building are tripartite Chicago Style windows with transoms.

There are two entrances on the west facade located at each end. Each entry has a large stone surround with a carved reveal and console brackets supporting a foliated entablature. The double doors are surmounted with a glass transom containing tracery.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1932-33

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Austin and Shambleau

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Federal Building, built in 1932-33, was designed by the prominent local firm of Austin and Shambleau. Ennis R. Austin once served for the Secretary of the Interior as Superintendent of Construction from 1900-1906, supervising the construction of post offices in Indiana, Illinois and Michigan.

Construction was done by James I. Barnes of Logansport, Indiana, and supervised by John Longworth, the government engineer.

The Federal Building is a good representative example of the Neo-Classical style that was used on several governmental buildings during the 1930's. No apparent alteration has occurred on the exterior of the building, with the possible exception of the post office docks on the east facade. The interior has remained intact in several areas, including the main courtroom and the original judge's and postmaster's offices.

The main courtroom retains its floor-to-ceiling walnut paneling with brass cornice. The original window screens and radiator screens, also of brass, remain intact.

The postmaster's and judge's offices are almost identical in treatment. Both have walnut paneling that comes within one foot of the molded ceiling. Brass radiator grills and recessed windows with marble seats are also featured.

The building originally served as both the post office and federal building. In 1973 the post office moved out and the building is currently being refitted to meet the needs of growing federal offices.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre

UTM REFERENCES

A	16	562330	4613700	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lots 292-293-294 Original Plat, South Bend

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Elizabeth A. Straw and Karen Kiemnec

ORGANIZATION

Historic Preservation Commission of South Bend & St. Joseph County, 1-16-84

STREET & NUMBER

County/City Building, Room 1123

CITY OR TOWN

South Bend

DATE

TELEPHONE

219/284-9798

STATE

Indiana 46601

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES NO NONE

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National State Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE

U.S. General Services Administration
Federal Preservation Officer

DATE

June 18, 2015

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

8.3.15

United States Department of the Interior

Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Federal Building

City or Vicinity: South Bend

County: St. Joseph

State: Indiana

Photographer: Carol M. Highsmith, Carol M. Highsmith Photography, Inc.

Date Photographed: October 2012

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

- 1 of 6 Federal Building, West Elevation, looking East
- 2 of 6 Federal Building, North and West Elevations, looking Southeast
- 3 of 6 Federal Building, First Floor Lobby, looking South
- 4 of 6 Federal Building, Third Floor Courtroom, looking West
- 5 of 6 Federal Building, Second Floor Office, looking Northwest
- 6 of 6 Federal Building, Third Floor Lobby, looking South

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.



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POST OFFICE
1913

NO PARKING
EXCEPT FOR
LOADING AND UNLOADING
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KeyBank

Main St

Jefferson St

Jefferson St

PARK J

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ONE WAY

NO LEFT TURN





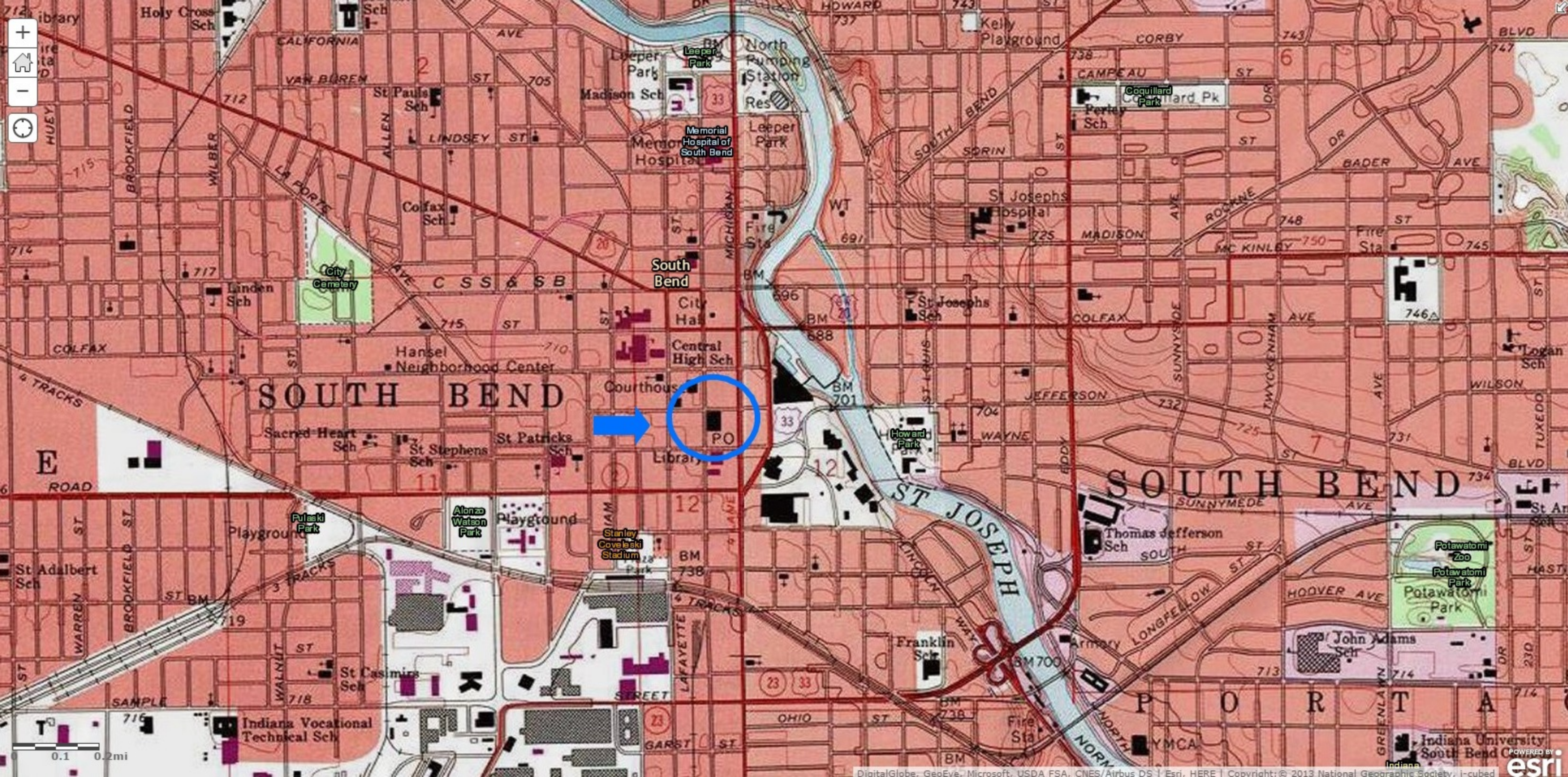




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South Bend

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SOUTH BEND

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