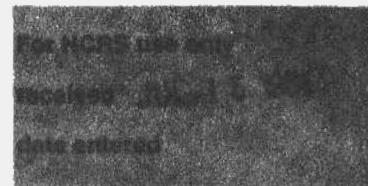


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**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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historic OGLE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

and/or common

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city, town Oregon vicinity of congressional district 16

state Illinois code 012 county Ogle code 141

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depository for survey records Illinois Historical Records Survey Project

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Due 8/12/81 - 9/29/81  
dnr-3

Name Ogle County Courthouse  
State, County IL, Ogle  
Working Number 7.15.81.239

Fed Nom or Request-Agency \_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Register Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nomination  
 Determination of Eligibility  
 On Nomination Form

Bldg(s)  
 Site  
 Object  
 Structure  
 District

Within:  
 Multiple Resource Area  
 Thematic Group

Maps 1  
Photos 5

Nomination prepared by:  
 State Staff  
 Local  
 Other

Action:  
 ACCEPT  
 RETURN 7.29.81  
 REJECT

Check if Appropriate:  
 State Request for Review  
 Keeper's Decision to Review  
 2nd Return

I. Evaluation of Resource (cont. on back if necessary)

II. Evaluation of Nomination

	Good	Adequate	Poor	Comments
1. Descriptive Statement Short Format <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
2. Significance Statement Short Format <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
3. Concepts/Integrity				
4. Concepts/Criteria				
5. Concepts/Boundaries				
6. Contextual Evaluation				

General Comments (cont. on back if necessary):

Reviewer/Date \_\_\_\_\_

See Attached \_\_\_\_\_

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

Name of Property Ogle County Courthouse  
State, County Illinois Ogle County  
Federal Agency \_\_\_\_\_

The above nomination is being returned to you because of problems in the areas checked below and/or on the back of this form. Please return this form when the nomination is resubmitted.

Technical Review

Name

Location

Classification  
 Category  Ownership  Status  Present Use

Owner of Property

Location of Legal Description

Representation in Existing Surveys

Description  
 Condition  Original Site/Moved (w/date)

Significance  
 Period  Areas of Significance  Specific Dates

Major Bibliographical References

Geographical Data  
 Acreage  Quad Name  Quad Scale  UTM  
 Verbal Boundary Description and/or Site Plan or Tax Map

Form Prepared By

Certification  
 Level of Significance  SHPO Signature  Federal Signature

Photographs  
 Missing  Not Adequate in Quality

Maps  
 USGS Map  Site Plan/Sketch Map  Historic District Map

Comments: *Please provide a more recent USGS map with UTM ticks. If there is no recent map, please indicate latitude and longitude on map and on back of nomination form under "10. Geographical Data".*  
 Substantive Review Problems (see reverse)

Belour Dyer 7/29/81  
Signed

AUG 21 1981

Description

- Incomplete/Inaccurate: \_\_\_\_\_
- Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_
- Dates: \_\_\_\_\_
- Boundary Selection/Justification: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Significance

- Too Weak or General: \_\_\_\_\_
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- Confusing/Incomplete: \_\_\_\_\_
- Context: \_\_\_\_\_
- Integrity: \_\_\_\_\_
- Period of Significance Unclear: \_\_\_\_\_
- Exception(s) to Criteria not Justified: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Bibliography: \_\_\_\_\_

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Maps

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Comments

Illinois



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Ms. Carol Shull, Acting  
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National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed are National Register nomination forms for the following publicly owned sites:

Pulaski Park and Fieldhouse (Chicago)  
Rosenwald Apartment Building (Chicago)  
Ogle County Courthouse (Oregon)

Thank you for your prompt attention to these forms.

Sincerely,

Keith A. Sculle  
National Register Coordinator

KAS:mw  
Enclosures



THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

DATE REC'D JUL 1981

\_\_\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE (ATTACHED)

\_\_\_\_\_ INFORMATIVE MATERIAL SENT

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DATE ACTION TAKEN \_\_\_\_\_

INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_

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# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Historical Records Survey, INVENTORY OF THE COUNTY ARCHIVES OF ILLINOIS, Chicago, 1940 (basis was County records and State books on government)  
 OGLE COUNTY AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMISSION, BICENTENNIAL HISTORY OF OGLE COUNTY, Oregon, 1976

# 10. Geographical Data

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Acreege of nominated property less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name OREGON, ILLINOIS

Quadrangle scale 1:62500

UMT References NOT AVAILABLE

42° 01' N  
89° 20' W

UTM NOT VERIFIED

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Zone	Easting			Northing	

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Zone	Easting			Northing	

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## Verbal boundary description and justification

Lot 21, City of Oregon  
 4th St., Washington St., 5th St., and Jefferson Sts. form the boundary

## List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Margaret A. Fridley, County Clerk-Recorder

organization Ogle County date April 24, 1981

street & number Box 357 telephone  

city or town Oregon state IL 61061

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature [Signature]

title Director, cell. Dept. of Conservation date 6/23/81

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Beth Grosvenor date 9/10/81  
 Keeper of the National Register

Attest: Linda Flint McClelland date 9/10/81  
 Chief of Registration

Name Ogle County Courthouse

State, County IL Ogle

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Working Number 7.13.81.239

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Within: 81000 222  
 Multiple Resource Area  
 Thematic Group

Maps 1  
 Photos 5

- Nomination prepared by:
- State Staff
  - Local
  - Other

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I. Evaluation of Resource (cont. on back if necessary)

*Insufficient info in nomination to list for architecture - however, it appears to be a good example of Romanesque Revival public high-style architecture and no ~~other~~ obviously prominent building in a rural, agricultural county. Apparently its style gives it distinction among county courthouses. J.S. Statement of sign for historical associations - at center of county gov't from 1891 - is weakly stated but meaning is there. Eligible X.E.C. (See Telephone Report on Arch. sign) J McClelland 9/9/81*

II. Evaluation of Nomination

	Good			Comments
	Adequate	Poor		
1. Descriptive Statement Short Format <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Much irrelevant data re. thickness of walls + number of steps. Non-historic changes and addition are addressed as is essential characteristics.
2. Significance Statement Short Format <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No statement of architectural significance, assessment of arch. style, or comparison to local bldgs. or other courthouses. Historical significance is weakly stated but more over demonstrated by historical info.
3. Concepts/Integrity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			dates + info. provided
4. Concepts/Criteria	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			concepts are there, just not articulated.
5. Concepts/Boundaries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
6. Contextual Evaluation		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		none provided for architecture. historical facts regarding foundation, size, & auspices of county gov't given

General Comments (cont. on back if necessary):

Reviewer/Date J McClelland / 9/9/81  
 National Park Service

See Attached \_\_\_\_\_

Illinois



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August 11, 1981

Ms. Carol Shull, Acting  
Keeper of the National Register  
of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
U. S. Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

We are resubmitting the nomination for the Ogle County Courthouse.

Since a more recent USGS map with UTM ticks was not available, we have calculated the latitude and longitude.

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael Ward  
Assistant National  
Register Coordinator

MW/lw  
Enclosures





- 1.Ogle County Courthouse
- 2.Oregon, IL
- 3.Margaret Fridley
- 4.April 1981
- 5.with photographer
- 6.view looking NW
- 7.#1 of 5

JUL 15 1981

SEP 10 1981

*looking NW*



East

- 1.Ogle County Courthouse
- 2.Oregon, IL
- 3.Margaret Fridley
- 4.April 1981
- 5.with photographer
- 6.view looking west (east facade)
- 7.#2 of 5

JUN 15 1981  
SEP 10 1981



- 1.Ogle County Courthouse
- 2.Oregon, IL
- 3.Margaret Fridley
- 4.April 1981
- 5.with photographer
- 6.West facade
- 7.#3 of 5

*West*

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SEP 10 1981



- 1.Ogle County Courthouse
- 2.Oregon, IL
- 3.Margaret Fridley
- 4.April 1981
- 5.with photographer
- 6.view looking SE
- 7.#4 of 5

JUL 15 1981

SEP 10 1981

looking SE



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*looking N*

- 1.Ogle County Courthouse
- 2.Oregon, IL
- 3.Margaret Fridley
- 4.April 1981
- 5.with photographer
- 6.view looking N
- 7.#5 of 5

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Topography by Gilbert Young, E.L. Hain, A.T. Munson and M.C. Waterman  
 Surveyed in 1921-1922  
 Revised in 1948

**ROAD CLASSIFICATION**

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Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt

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# TELEPHONE REPORT

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OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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PROJECT: Ogle County Courthouse.

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TO/FROM: Mike Ward

DATE: 9/9/81

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ADDRESS: 27 S<sup>th</sup>

PHONE: .

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STAFF MEMBER: McClelland

DIVISION: MR

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REPORT: Architecturally significant as an interpretation of Romanesque Revival style, which seldom occurred in courthouse construction in <sup>Illinois</sup> courthouses. There are few in <sup>Illinois</sup> in this style, most in earlier or later styles.

Site review board had recommended it be checked for architecture

It is located in West Illinois, rural agricultural county.

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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Date Entered **SEP 10 1991**

Name

Location

**Ogle County Courthouse**

**Oregon  
Ogle County**

Also Notified

**Honorable Alan Dixon**

**Honorable Charles H. Percy**

**Honorable Lynn Martin**

Midwest Region, NPS

**State Historic Preservation Officer**

**Dr. David Kenney**

**Director, Department of Conservation**

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For further information, please call the National Register at (202) ~~343-6401~~.

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