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NOMINATION FORM

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Name **Historic** South Carolina Dispensary Office Building **Location** 1205 Pulaski Street  
**Common** **Classification** Building

Owner LEEDS, Incorporated  
c/o Trippett Boineau  
1524 Washington Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201  
Representation in Existing Surveys

Description: Built in 1901, the Dispensary Office Building is a two-story brick structure in the early 20th Century Italian Classic Revival style. It was designed by Frank P. Milburn, a prominent regional architect, who came to Columbia around the turn of the century.

The front facade is divided into three bays. Each level of the two side bays features 1 9/9 arched windows. The central bay features a central entrance door with flanking windows. A stone balcony projects above the entrance and above the balcony on the second level are three arched windows. The central bay is further accented by a fancifully shaped pediment with corbelle.

The first and second stories are divided by horizontal bands of brickwork; the second-story bays are accented by brick pilasters, and a projecting cornice molding extends along the front facade. These architectural features add to the structure's distinction.

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Significance

The Dispensary Office Building was constructed in 1901 as the office building for the South Carolina liquor dispensary system. This system of state control of alcoholic beverages began in 1895 and lasted until 1907. The structure is also significant architecturally, having been designed by Frank P. Milburn in the early 20th Century Italian Classic Revival style.

Acreage Less than 1 acre

Verbal Boundary Description TMS 12-09-08; running 211.9' along Pulaski Street and 310.9' along Gervais Street

UTM Reference Point Southwest Columbia 17/495960/3761780

Other Information

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Although the structure is currently vacant and there are no plans for its restoration, interest in the building is high due to its landmark status. It is located adjacent to the Dispensary Warehouse Building (also known as the Confederate Printing Plant) for which a National Register nomination is pending in Washington.