

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED 4 SEP 1979

DATE ENTERED

OCT 31 1979

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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

1 NAME *Bandera County Courthouses and Jail*

HISTORIC

Bandera County Courthouse, Old Bandera County Courthouse and Old Bandera County Jail

AND/OR COMMON

same

2 LOCATION *Public Sq., 12th and Maple Sts.*

STREET & NUMBER

Public Square and corner of 12th St. and Maple.

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Bandera

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

21

STATE

Texas

CODE

048

COUNTY

Bandera

CODE

019

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC

PRIVATE

☒ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

YES: RESTRICTED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

☒ COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

☒ GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

☒ MUSEUM

PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

County of Bandera

STREET & NUMBER

Public Square

CITY, TOWN

Bandera

VICINITY OF

STATE

Texas

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

County Clerk, Bandera County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Bandera

STATE

Texas

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ GOOD

☐ RUINS

☐ FAIR

☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED

☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The three-story rusticated cut limestone courthouse built in 1890-91 with a central clock tower, is the focal point of the Bandera public square, and the dominating architectural feature of the town. The Second Renaissance Revival-style structure was built of locally quarried white limestone. The rusticated stone building is bonded in smooth-cut limestone at water table and belt course, lintels and fluted pilasters. Originally massed in an ABA rhythm on all four facades, a one-story stone office addition to the east facade in 1966 has disturbed the continuity of that facade. The north and south facades consist of a three-story central projecting pavilion flanked by two-story wings. The central portico is supported by paired classical columns and crowned by a balustraded balcony above at the second story level. The east and west facades are less prominent, but feature cut stone voussoirs at the central pavilion's second level. The eaves are bracketed on the east and west pavilions, with a dentil cornice on the flanking two-story portions. The hipped and gabled roof and the domed cupola are covered with standing seam metal. Four stone chimneys pierce the central pavilions of the east and west facades. Additional alterations to the structure consist of aluminum window replacement in 1966 and interior revonation. The building is generally in excellent condition, except for a need to strengthen the cupola at the present time. A one-story, stuccoed block building separated from the courthouse, but on the public square was built to the north (rear) of the courthouse in 1938.

Two blocks east of the courthouse stands the two-story vernacular coursed rubble limestone building used as the courthouse from 1877 to 1891. It was built in 1869. Local historians differ on the original use of the building, which is perched on a hill above the former location of an old cypress mill on the Medina River below and belonged to the same owner. It is believed to have been built as a residence by one source, and as a store on the ground floor with Masonic lodge meeting hall above by another. The very simple vernacular structure with gabled roof (originally covered by cypress shingles--now roofed with corrugated metal) and single end chimney has retained the original six-over-six sash windows in the upper floor of the east and west facades, but windows and doors have been replaced with newer models on the ground floor and second story south wall. A hooded brick flue for a stove was added to the west elevation, probably in the late 19th century.

Adjacent to the old courthouse, joined by a large parking lot, is the Old Bandera Jail. Built in 1881, the one-story cut stone structure with castellated parapet on the front (south) wall features elaborate cut stone hood molds over the four symmetrically placed iron-barred, four-over-four sash windows on the south facade, with a double door central entry with barred transom. The entrance is accentuated by the central raised portion of the parapet wall above inscribed with the building date. Further elaboration consists of the use of rusticated limestone quoins at the corners of this main facade, and a water table course surrounding the building. Two saw-and-file-proof cages were installed. The four-room jail has been maintained with minimal alterations over the years.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1869, 1881, 1890-91

BUILDER/ARCHITECT B. F. Trester, Jr.
Alfred Giles

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

These three county buildings, varying in scale, design and construction date but all built of local materials, are evidence of the boom-town growth of post-civil war Bandera (and Texas as a whole) which stopped in this town and then dwindled in the 20th century. This growth can be traced from the county's early use of temporary log structure to the purchase of the more permanent two-story 1869 vernacular structure overlooking the Medina River, to the subsequent sophistication of the adjacent one-story masonry jail designed by architect Alfred Giles in 1881 and finally, the elaborate though unusual local adaptation of Second Renaissance Revival style in the courthouse designed by B.F. Trester, Jr. in 1891. The three buildings have remained in continuous use in the community both in governmental and business functions and are important landmarks to the townspeople.

Bandera County, organized in 1856 in a ranching area, with its primary industry that of the manufacture of cypress shingles, used makeshift quarters for jail and courthouse functions until 1877, when the county purchased the two-story stone vernacular building overlooking the cypress mill which is now known as the old courthouse. Built for local entrepreneur and mill owner J.B. Davenport in 1869 by a builder named White, the building served as county courthouse until the present courthouse was built in 1891. Since that time it has been leased by the county for various commercial enterprises, and continues in use as office space.

The present courthouse was designed by a prolific San Antonio architect, B.F. Trester, Jr. In a two-year period, Trester also designed the Uvalde County Courthouse, a two-story stone school in Kerrville, Methodist Female Seminary in San Antonio, a two-story brick store in Beeville, and the Uvalde Opera House (N.R. 1978) before his death in March of 1891. Builders for the courthouse were Ed Braden and Sons, with Frankel and Hayden shown as supervising architects. Apparently a design for the courthouse was submitted by Alfred Giles and rejected. A one-story jail was built on the square behind the courthouse in 1938, and a one-story limestone office addition was built to the east in 1966 when the courthouse was remodeled and the windows were replaced. Even with these changes, the character and mass of the building are important to the scale of the tiny town (present population: 941).

The elaborate old one-story jail was designed by renowned Texas architect Alfred Giles. Giles is known for his work in northern Mexico and Texas after his emigration from England to San Antonio in the last half of the 19th century. Some of the buildings he designed include the Old Gillespie County Courthouse

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See continuation sheet.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 2

UTM NOT VERIFIED

UTM REFERENCES Quadrangle name: Bandera, Texas Scale: 1:24000

Bandera County Courthouse:

Old Bandera County Courthouse and Old Jail:

A 114 493020 3288205

B 114 493360 3288070

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C

D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The 1890-91 courthouse is located on the courthouse square, which is bound by Main, Twelfth, Pecan, and Hackberry Streets. The entire square is included in the nominated property. Because the terrain and poorly laid streets make some exact addresses and legal descriptions difficult, the nominated property for the old courthouse and jail consists of the structures themselves plus a 15' apron, except for the adjoining parking lot. There, the included property connects the two structures.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Binnie Hoffman, Special Projects Coordinator

ORGANIZATION

Texas Historical Commission

DATE

July 30, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 12276, Capitol Station

TELEPHONE

(512) 475-3094

CITY OR TOWN

Austin

STATE

Texas 78711

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

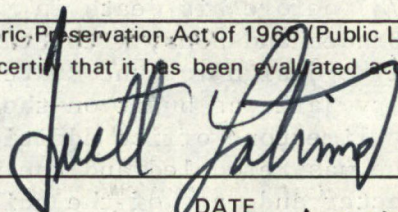
NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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 National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

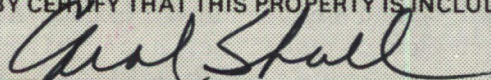


TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE August 3, 1979

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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



DATE 10-31-79

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: Beth Grosvenor

DATE 10/31/79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

FOR HCRS USE ONLY

RECEIVED 4 SEP 1979

DATE ENTERED

OCT 31 1979

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 8

PAGE 1

(N.R. 1971), the Sullivan Stable and Carriage House in San Antonio (N.R. 1978) and the Schreiner Mansion in Kerrville (N.R. 1975).

Giles' design for the jail was identical to the Bexar County Jail he built in 1877, except that the scale is smaller. Giles himself acted as supervising architect, with James A. Courtney acting as contractor. P.J. Pauly and Brothers of St. Louis, Missouri, constructed the two saw- and file-proof cages, as they had for Bexar County, for \$2,855. After the new jail was built in 1938, this building served as a World War II veterans meeting hall, offices for the Soil Conservation Service, and is now a museum, leased from the county by the Bandera County Historical Commission.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

FOR HCRS USE ONLY

RECEIVED 14 SEP 1979

DATE ENTERED

OCT 31 1979

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 9 PAGE 1

Historical Survey of Architects and Builders of Texas County Courthouses, Mrs.
Edmund J. Kahn, Dallas, Texas.

Jutson, Mary Carolyn, Alfred Giles: an English Architect in Texas and Mexico.
San Antonio, Trinity University Press.

Unpublished historical monograph by Peggy Tobin, Bandera, Texas.

Nance, J. Larry and Welch, June Rayfield, The Texas Courthouse, Dallas, GLA Press.

Jutson, Mary Hollers, "Report on San Antonio Architectus and their Work, 1886-1910,
with the Exception of their Contemporary Alfred Giles:, Architectural
Archives, University of Texas at Austin.

Hunter, Marvin, "One Hundred Years in Bandera", Bandera, Texas.

Property

Bandera County Courthouse & Jail

State

TX, Bandera

Working Number

9.4.79.2063

79002911

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos

4

Maps

1

3 stone buildings whose different styles illustrate the evolving nature of the town's needs for public facilities.

HISTORIAN

accept

Grosvener

10/31/79

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

accept

P. Grosvener

10/31/79

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up

Send-back _____

Entered

DEC 31 1979

Federal Register Entry

12-4-79

Re-submit _____



Bandera County Courthouse, Old
Bandera County Courthouse, and Old
Bandera County Jail
Public square and corner of 12th and
Maple Streets
Bandera, Bandera County, Texas
Photo by Willard Robinson, 1977
South oblique of present courthouse.
Photo #14

OCT 31 1979

4 SEP 1979



Bandera County Courthouse, Old Bandera
County Courthouse, and Old Bandera
County Jail

Public square and corner of 12th and
Maple Streets

Bandera, Bandera County, Texas

Photo by Willard Robinson, 1977

Southwest elevation of present court-
house.

Photo #2 *4 DOE*

OCT 31 1979

4 SEP 1979



Bandera County Courthouse, Old Bandera
County Courthouse, and Old Bandera
County Jail

Public square and corner of 12th and
Maple Streets

Bandera, Bandera County, Texas

Photo by Texas Historical Comm., 1977

South facade of Old Courthouse

Photo #3 ⁴⁴

OCT 31 1979

4 SEP 1979



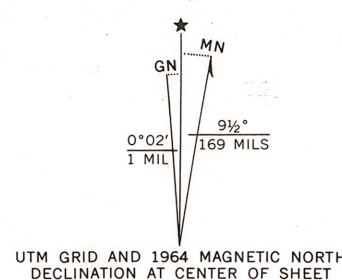
Bandera County Courthouse, Old Bandera
County Courthouse, and Old Bandera
County Jail
Public square and corner of 12th and
Maple Streets

Bandera, Bandera County, Texas
Photo by Texas Historical Comm., 1977
North facade of Old Jail
Photo #4 ⁷⁴

^{DOE}
OCT 31 1979 4 SEP 1979

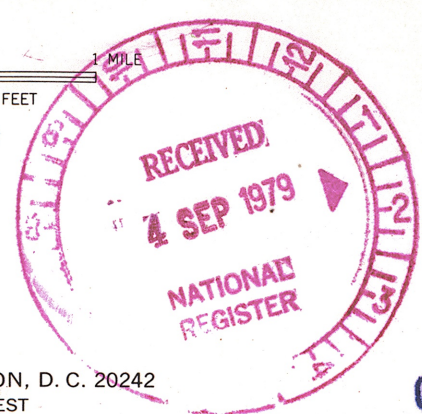


Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1963. Field checked 1964
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Texas coordinate system, south central zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 14, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence lines



SCALE 1:24,000
CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DOTTED LINES REPRESENT 10-FOOT CONTOURS
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



OCT 31 1979

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Medium-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Unimproved dirt ———
State Route

BANDERA, TEX.
N2937.5—W9900.7.5

2999-414

OCT 5 1967

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE TEXAS

Date Entered OCT 31 1979

Name

Location

Bandera County Courthouse and Jail

Bandera
Bandera County

Also Notified

Honorable Lloyd Bentsen

Honorable John G. Tower
Honorable Thomas G. Loeffler

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Truett Latimer
Executive Director
Texas State Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

NR Byers/bjr 11/2/79

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

661

Honorable Tom Loeffler
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Loeffler:

Thank you for your inquiry of October 17, 1979, concerning the nomination of the Bandera County Courthouses and Jail, Bandera County, Texas, to the National Register of Historic Places.

This nomination is currently being considered by the National Register staff, and the review has been expedited. We will notify you if the Bandera County Courthouses and Jail are entered in the National Register.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know. We appreciate your interest in historic preservation.

Sincerely,

CHRIS T. DELAPORTE

Chris Therral Delaporte
Director

cc: Mr. Truett Latimer
Executive Director
Texas Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711
bcc: Directors Reading File
Chief, OAHP
FHR-Lumpkin
FHR-CL
CL
POR - 7691

FHR:S Sheffield:lw:343-6401:10-25-79

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN NR

BANDERA COUNTY, TEXAS

Sheffield 10-25-79
Groove 10/25/79
Shaw
H. L. Smith
10-25-79
Nelson Jr/EAC
10/29/79
Sawyer
10/31

Bandera Co, TX.

OCT 31 1979

DAHP

TOM LOEFFLER
21ST DISTRICT, TEXAS

Room 1213
LONGWORTH HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
(202) 225-4236

ALAN M. KRANOWITZ
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

COMMITTEES:
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN
COMMERCE
SUBCOMMITTEES:
COMMUNICATIONS
ENERGY AND POWER
HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

October 17, 1979

Mr. Chris Delaporte
Director
Heritage Conservation and
Recreation Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D. C. 20240

Dear Mr. Delaporte:

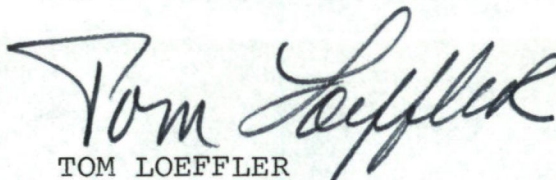
It has come to my attention that the Bandera County Courthouse, in Bandera, Texas, has recently been nominated by the Texas Historical Commission for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The three-story courthouse, built in 1891, dominates the architecture of the community, and is an important historical landmark to the citizens of Bandera and West Texas. I strongly support the Historical Commission's recommendation, and urge its approval for listing in the National Register.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

With best regards.

Sincerely,


TOM LOEFFLER

TL:hgm

BOB Mail Control No. POA 7691

661

Honorable Lloyd Bentsen
United States Senator
912 Federal Building
Austin, Texas 78701

OCT 31 1979

Dear Senator Bentsen:

Thank you for your inquiry of October 17, 1979, concerning the nomination of the Bandera County Courthouses and Jail, Bandera County, Texas, to the National Register of Historic Places.

This nomination is currently being considered by the National Register staff, and the review has been expedited. We will notify you if the Bandera County Courthouses and Jail are entered in the National Register.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know. We appreciate your interest in historic preservation.

Sincerely,

CHRIS T. DELAPORTE

Chris Therral Delaporte
Director

cc: Your Washington, D.C. Office

Mr. Truett Latimer
Executive Director
Texas Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

bcc: Director's Reading File
Chief, OAHP
FHR-Lumpkin / FHR-CL / CL / POR - 7688
FHR:S Sheffield:lw:343-6401:10-25-79

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN NR

BANDERA COUNTY, TEXAS

Sheffield 10-25-79

Griffin 10/25/79
Shurt 10/25/79
Kemp 10/25/79

Nelson for JR/EAC

10/29/79

Sum 10/31

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 17, 1979

Mr. Chris Delaporte
U.S. Department of Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Chris:

I have been advised that the Bandera County Courthouse was recently nominated by the Texas Historical Commission for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Because of my personal interest in the restoration and preservation of historic homes and buildings, I would like to take this opportunity to express my support for this nomination and my sincere hope that it will receive every possible consideration. Please advise me of the status of this matter as well as your final determination.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Bentsen

PLEASE REPLY TO:

912 Federal Building
Austin, Texas 78701

POA 7688

Sheffield 10-30-79

Grossman 10/30/79

Shull
10-31-79

Page 17
Connelly 11/1

11/9/79

Honorable John Tower
United States Senator
Suite 7C14
1100 Commerce Street
Dallas, Texas 75242

Dear Senator Tower:

Thank you for your inquiry of October 16, 1979, on behalf of Mr. Al J. Notzon, III, concerning the nomination of the Bandera County Courthouse and Jail, Bandera County, Texas, to the National Register of Historic Places.

This nomination is currently being considered by the National Register staff, and the review has been expedited. We will notify you if the Bandera County Courthouse and Jail are entered in the National Register.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know. We appreciate your interest in historic preservation.

Sincerely,

Gary R. Catron

Gary R. Catron
Assistant to the Secretary
and Director of Congressional
and Legislative Affairs

cc: Your Washington, D.C. Office

Mr. Truett Latimer
Executive Director
Texas Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

bcc: Secretary's File
Secretary's Reading File (2)
FW

Director's Reading File

Chief, OAHP / FHR-Lumpkin / FHR-CL / CL / POR - 7697

FHR:S Sheffield:lw:343-6401:10-30-79

ALS flw 11/5/79

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN NR

BANDERA COUNTY, TEXAS

DAHP

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL
AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

ACTION SLIP

10/23/79

BUREAU

HCRS

Please prepare response for signature of Gary R. Catron, Assistant to the Secretary and Director of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.

Include a copy of your final response for CL files.

DUE DATE IN CL

11/7/79

REMINDER: If significant delay is expected, please provide an acknowledgement for Mr. Catron's signature immediately. A final response should be prepared whenever possible.

CL-ROOM 6253
x6667 or x2065

JOHN TOWER
TEXAS

COMMITTEES:
ARMED SERVICES
BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

STATE OFFICES:
961 FEDERAL BUILDING
AUSTIN 78701
1100 COMMERCE STREET
DALLAS 75242
515 RUSK STREET
HOUSTON 77002

October 16, 1979

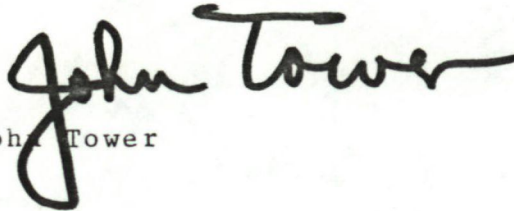
Department of Interior
Congressional Liaison
Interior Building
Washington, D.C. 20240

RE: Bandera County Courthouse

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated.

Please return attention: Shan Pickard.

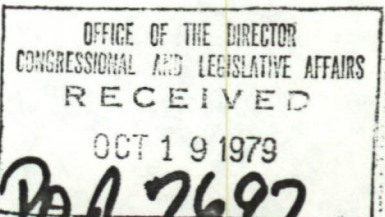
Sincerely yours,



John Tower

JT/xsp
Enclosure

Please return to: Office of Senator John Tower
Suite 7C14
1100 Commerce Street
Dallas, TX 75242



BOR Mail Control No.



alamo area council
of governments

OCT 4 10 55 AM '79

October 1, 1979

OCT 11 RECD

Hon. John Tower
United States Senator
142 Old Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Tower:

Our office has been notified that the Bandera County Courthouse was recently nominated by the Texas Historical Commission for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, Department of Interior. The nomination has been forwarded to Washington by that office and is now pending final review by the National Register Staff.

Listing would not only recognize this structure as a significant historical and architectural contribution to the County and State, but, more importantly, would make this property eligible for much needed funds for its restoration and structural stabilization.

Any help you or your office could give to encourage the nomination's expeditious review would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Regionally yours,

Al J. Notzon, III
Executive Director

AJN/KAB/pp

xc: Judge Rein Vander Zee, County Judge, Bandera County
Ms. Peggy Tobin