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# Impactful Designs

*Creating Environments With a Lasting Impact on the Community*

## **Enhancing the Experience**

On January 1, 2021, Stevens & Wilkinson and **idea|span**, the firm's interior design studio, joined **SSOE Group's national platform** of award-winning engineers, architects and design professionals. As a combined firm, we now offer a range of integrated design services that incorporate smart design solutions with technical precision and timely delivery across 18 different offices in 3 countries.

## **About SSOE**

With offices located throughout the Southeastern United States, SSOE prides itself on developing forward-thinking strategies for our client's culturally and socially significant projects. We couple strong design principles with emerging technologies to create sustainable environments that have a lasting and positive impact on our communities.

To date, we have worked on projects for clients in the government, education, healthcare, historic preservation, mixed-use, and adaptive reuse markets. As one of the largest full-service firms in the Southeast, we successfully approach each project with tailored design strategies. By working directly with you, we deliver solutions that are not only innovative, but unique.





## INTEGRATED DESIGN SERVICES

# ARCHITECTURE

### Basic Design Services

Architectural Design  
Electrical Design  
Mechanical Design  
Structural Design  
Civil Design

### Supplemental Services

Building Programming  
Existing Drawing Verification  
Medical Equipment Planning

### Value Management

Value Engineering  
Life Cycle Costing  
Energy Analysis

### Interior Services

Interior Design Space Planning  
+ Utilization Studies  
Tenant Lease + Workletter  
Consultation  
Furniture + Equipment  
Selection / Specification

### Planning + Research

Building Analysis  
Feasibility Studies  
Cost-Benefit Analysis  
Master Planning  
Historic Structural Studies  
Environmental Impact  
Analysis  
Land Development Studies  
Zoning Studies

# ENGINEERING

### Mechanical

Chilled / Hot Water Systems  
Heat Exchangers  
Energy Recovery Systems  
Dedicated Outside Air Systems  
Chilled Beam  
Underfloor Air Distribution  
Humidifiers / Dehumidifiers  
Air Orientation  
Variable Refrigerant Flow  
Water Source Heat Pump  
Geothermal  
PTAC < Split + Packaged DX

### Structural

Structural Steel Design  
Concrete Design  
Masonry Design  
Wood Design  
Concrete Structure Rehabilitation  
Existing Floor Capacity Analysis  
Foundation Design  
3D Space Frame Analysis

### Plumbing

Domestic Cold / Hot Water  
Sanitary Waste Vents  
Storm Water  
Laboratory / Chemical Waste  
Reverse Osmosis + Deionized  
Water Systems  
Medical Gas / Vacuum  
Compressed Air  
Natural Gas

### Electrical

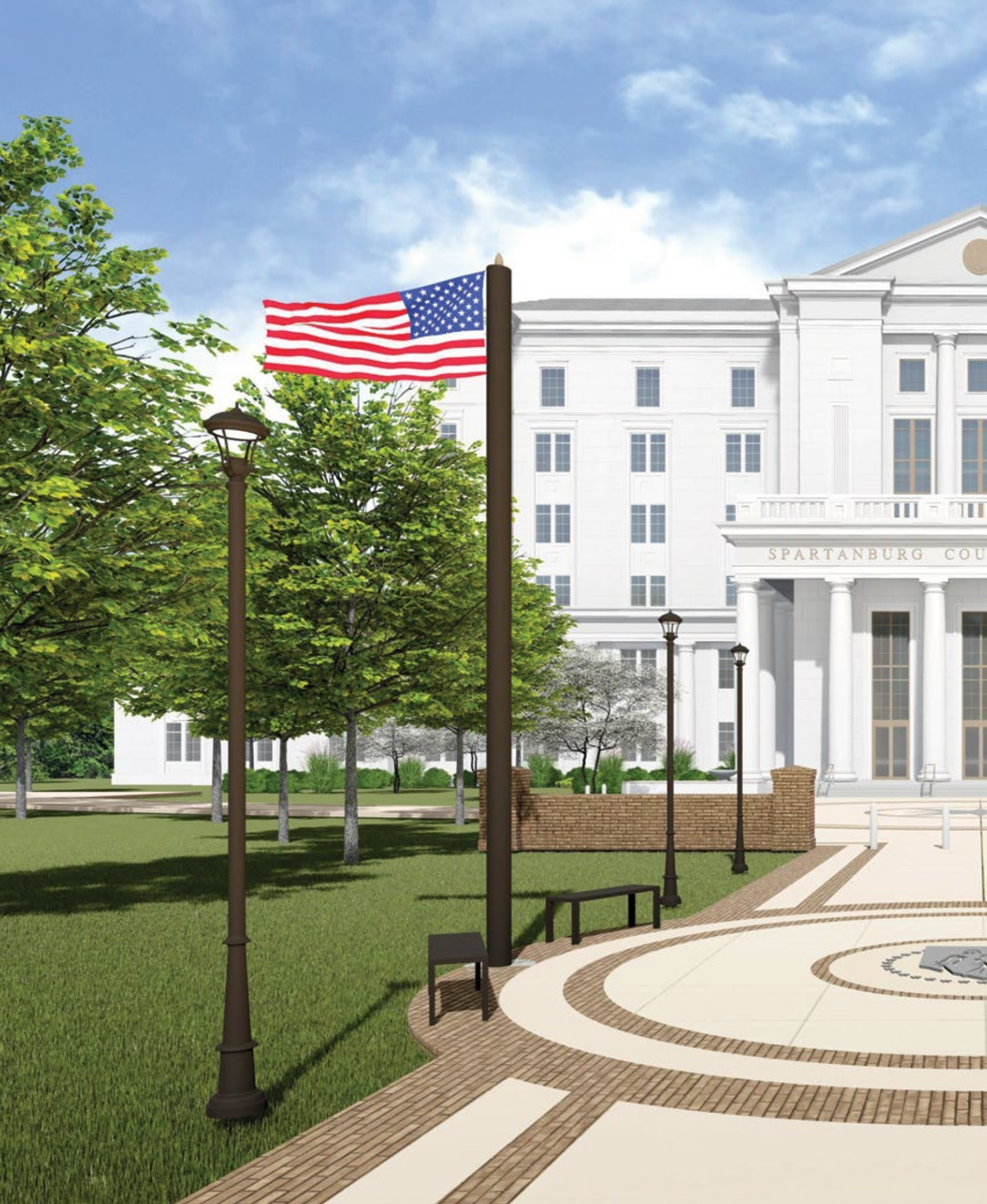
Lighting Design & Analysis  
Power Distribution System Design  
& Analysis  
Grounding Systems  
Lighting Protection Systems  
Fire Alarm Systems  
Mass Notification Systems  
Public Address Systems  
Video Surveillance Systems  
Access Control Systems  
Telecommunications Systems

### Fire Protection

Wet Pipe Sprinkler Systems  
Dry Pipe Sprinkler Systems  
Pre-Actions Systems  
Fire Pumps  
Standpipe and Hose Systems

### Other Services

Building Systems Commissioning  
Arc Flash Hazard Studies  
Fault Current Studies  
Overcurrent Protective Device  
Coordination Studies  
Thermographic Surveys  
Energy Audits  
Property Condition Assessment  
Peer Reviews  
Value Engineering





# Spartanburg County Courthouse

*Spartanburg County Government / Spartanburg, South Carolina*





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*Spartanburg County Government / Spartanburg, South Carolina*

The proposed Spartanburg County Courthouse is sited in the heart of downtown Spartanburg on the same block as the current courthouse, which was built in 1956, as well as the same site as the original courthouse building that was built in 1892.

One of the unique design challenges is planning the site to allow construction of the new facility (which will take about two years) while maintaining operations in the existing courthouse.

Once the new facility is operational, the current courthouse will be demolished and a large landscaped plaza will serve as a beautiful “Courthouse Square.”

The seven-story structure is articulated to provide a step-back massing. The two-story element offers a more pleasant scale along the street edges.

The site slopes from east to west which is beneficial in separating the public zone from secure areas in the rear. The proposed building uses traditional architectural elements to fit within a historical downtown context.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2022

**Cost:** \$112,000,000

**Size:** 315,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design







# Sumner County Courthouse

Sumner County Government / Gallatin, Tennessee



# Sumner County Courthouse

*Sumner County Government / Gallatin, Tennessee*

The proposed Sumner County Courthouse will be located in the historic town of Gallatin in the center of downtown.

The site slopes from front to back which helps in the separation of public, restricted, and highly secure zones within the building.

The new courthouse will house the Circuit and Chancery Courts. In addition, the Criminal and General Sessions Courts will also relocate to this new facility.

The building will feature traditional design elements that will comfortably blend this new structure into the fabric of the historic county seat.



**FAST FACTS:**

**Completion:** 2022

**Cost:** \$73,000,000

**Size:** 210,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Programming, Engineering, Interior Design





# Nathan Deal Judicial Center

*GA State Financing Investment Commission/GA Building Authority /  
Atlanta, Georgia*



*Nathan Deal Judicial Center /*





## Nathan Deal Judicial Center

*GA State Financing Investment Commission/GA Building Authority / Atlanta, Georgia*

The State of Georgia's Nathan Deal Judicial Center is the first state building in the history of Georgia devoted entirely to the judiciary. The facility houses the Supreme Court of Georgia, The Georgia Court of Appeals, and the newly created statewide Business Court. Designed to complement the State Capitol Building (Edbrooke and Burnham, built circa 1889) and expand the Capitol Hill District, SSOE partnered with Robert A.M. Stern Architects to construct a facility that was based on a Classical design approach - one that symbolizes the dignity of the courts.

The placement and orientation of the building is directly on axis with the dome of the State Capitol Building while the curved façade responds to the area's prominent intersections. Similar to the Capitol's Legislative Chamber's, the building features a central atrium that is 112-feet in height and elliptical in shape. The Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Courtrooms open onto the atrium which provides stunning views of both Capitol Hill and Downtown Atlanta.

SSOE worked in partnership with the Courts, GSFIC, GBA, and the Georgia State Properties Office for more than 10 years to complete this historic commission. Incorporating sustainable design features the facility is one of a few in the state to achieve 3.9 out of 4 Peaches in the Georgia Peach Green Building Rating System.

The SSOE design team consisted of 19 consulting firms including the abovementioned Robert A.M. Stern Architects (design), Justice Planning Associates (programming), and HGOR (landscape architecture).



### FAST FACTS:

**Completion:**

**Cost:** \$108,000,000

**Size:** 224,500 SF, 7-stories

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Programming, Planning, Site Selection, Interior Design, Construction Administration





# Florence County Judicial Center

*Florence County Government / Florence, South Carolina*



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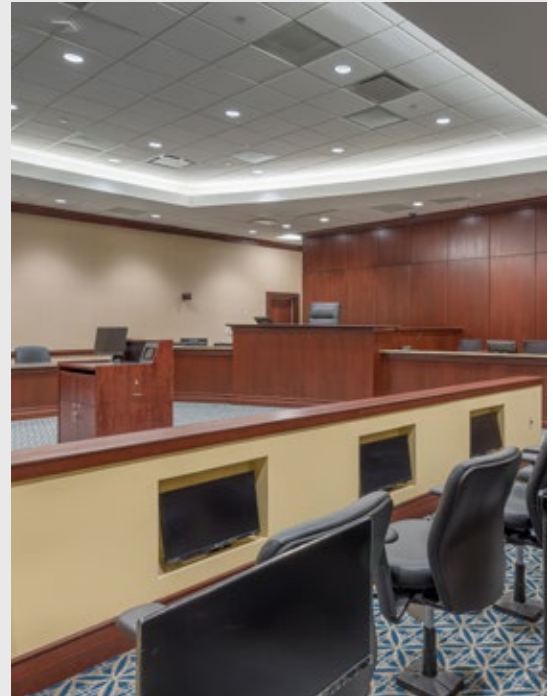
*Florence County Government / Florence, South Carolina*

**Courthouse Study:** The team of SSOE in association with Justice Planning Associates and Goforth-Brown & Associates, was selected to provide pre-design services for the renovation and/or replacement of the 45-year old City County Complex.

Services included a Needs Assessment, Resource Evaluation and the development of a Strategic Plan. A general building analysis was included which gave an overview and conditions analysis of the engineering systems and other aspects of the building. Conclusions from the report recommended the Court functions and associated spaces be removed from the existing structure, while the remaining area within the tower be re-purposed as County Administration spaces.

**New Courthouse:** The site for the new facility is located across North Irby Street from the existing City County Complex. The site plan includes a generous entry plaza and a landscaped courtyard, reminiscent of a historic courthouse square. Special consideration is given to separating public traffic from a more restricted security zone, while a judges' parking area is now separated from the general public and more secured.

The building is a three-story structure that delineates the different functions of courtrooms and various support areas. Building security played a major part in the layout of the proposed spaces. The building features seven (7) courtrooms, administrative suites, jury assembly room, judges' chambers, and Clerk of Court office.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2018

**Cost:** \$32,000,000

**Size:** 100,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Programming, Planning, Interior Design





A photograph of the Sumter County Courthouse at dusk. The building is a large, classical-style structure with multiple stories, featuring prominent columns and large windows. The sky is a mix of purple, blue, and pink, indicating the time is either dawn or dusk. The building's interior lights are on, and the exterior is illuminated by warm lights. In the foreground, there is a wet, reflective surface, possibly a pool or a wet plaza, which shows the reflection of the building and the sky. The overall atmosphere is serene and majestic.

# Sumter County Courthouse

*Sumter County Government / Sumter, South Carolina*

*Sumter County Courthouse /*





# Sumter County Courthouse

*Sumter County Government / Sumter, South Carolina*

Sumter County's new Judicial Center answers overdue programmatic needs and serves as a catalyst for revitalization of the town's downtown core.

The new building site transforms a parking lot into a civic landmark. It is sited to have a visual connection with the historic courthouse. The entry portico takes a prominent location along North Harvin Street. As a part of the site development, a linear park fills the setback area from East Calhoun Street southward to East Hampton Street.

Other required site circulation issues are placed well away from the public side of the new Judicial Center. Service vehicles and Sheriff's traffic share a driveway toward the northeast corner of the facility. A small restricted parking lot is provided for the judges.

Security is the priority for this new structure. Screening occurs at the security check point for both visitors and packages. All actions are monitored from two remote locations. On the second and third floors there are four courtrooms. On each floor, the two courtrooms flank a security core that stacks over the Sheriff's holding area. Judges' chambers and jury deliberation rooms are also on these two floors and have limited access via a system of restricted corridors.

The public access corridor to the courtrooms is located on the south side of the building for visitors to enjoy the newly developed public spaces between the Judicial Center and the County Library. The floor area of this corridor expands slightly at each courtroom to provide additional space for visitors.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2013

**Cost:** \$18,000,000

**Size:** 80,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Programming, Interior Design







# Lancaster County Courthouse

*Lancaster County Government / Lancaster, South Carolina*



# Lancaster County Courthouse

*Lancaster County Government / Lancaster, South Carolina*

The new Lancaster County Courthouse is located in the heart of the historic district in the town of Lancaster. The design was influenced by famed architect Robert Mills and was designed using traditional elements that were incorporated throughout the body of the building.

This state-of-the-art courthouse features six courtrooms, judges' suites, Clerk of Court office and Probate Court. The front door was placed close to the old courthouse and directly across the street from the County Administration building, thereby representing their role in County government.

Prior to the beginning of the project, the County asked the design team to maintain a reasonable scale to the original courthouse across the street. To accomplish this, the entry pavilion was highlighted with its own gable roof form to present a traditional entry façade, which corresponds in scale to the historic structure. Additionally, the public corridor and waiting areas are clearly expressed on the exterior. A glass curtain-wall opens to a public park – one parallel with Main Street and one located between the old and new courthouses. Brick arches, white columns, and a cornice are a few of the traditional architectural elements used to give the courthouse a sense of decorum as a judicial center.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2011

**Cost:** \$24,000,000

**Size:** 100,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design, Programming







# Horry County Judicial Center

*Horry County Government / Conway, South Carolina*

*Horry County Judicial Center + Administration Complex /*





# Horry County Judicial and Administration Complex

*Horry County Government / Conway, South Carolina*

Programmatic needs divide this judicial complex into two distinct wings - the two-story county government portion and the three-story judicial side. The two wings are joined by a central skylighted atrium.

On the judicial side, a clear delineation is established between the public accessible spaces and the secured functions of jury rooms and judges' chambers. There are three security elevators which provide a closed-loop vertical access from the sally port to all eleven courtrooms.

Brick was selected to help harmonize this new 21st century governmental complex into the historical context of Conway. Traditional design elements were used to scale down the massing of a very large complex. The building plan was divided into two distinct buildings with each housing their respective judicial or administrative functions.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2006/2007

**Cost:** \$30,000,000

### Size:

Judicial: 160,000 SF

Administrative: 85,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design





A large, modern brick courthouse building with a prominent arched window on the left and a series of tall, narrow windows on the right. The building is set against a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. In the foreground, there is a lush green lawn and a body of water reflecting the sky and the building. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

# Dorchester County Courthouse

*Dorchester County Government / St. George, South Carolina*

*Dorchester County Courthouse /*



# Dorchester County Courthouse

*Dorchester County Government / St. George, South Carolina*

Our firm designed a progressive, state-of-the-art courthouse within the context of a small, rural county setting.

The courthouse design was the initial phase and centerpiece of an 80-acre master plan. It established the architectural language for subsequent structures and is characterized by traditional styling.

Special emphasis was given to separating the three major traffic patterns - public, judge and jury, and security.

*“Even with strict budgeting constraints, they were able to design a handsome building that will be a source of pride for our community. SSOE | Stevens & Wilkinson provided an efficient plan that answered all the functional needs without wasting space. The design team always kept safety as a number one priority in the court and building layout.”*

Cheryl Graham, Dorchester County Clerk of Court



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2009

**Cost:** \$10,000,000

**Size:** 44,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design





COLLETON COUNTY COURTHOUSE EST. 1822

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**COLLETON COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE**  
The original section of this courthouse, completed in 1822 after the county seat moved to Walterborough from Jacksonborough, was built by contractor William Thompson. The front portico is attributed to Robert Mills, who completed an unfinished design by William Jay. The courthouse was in such poor condition within a few years, however, that it was extensively renovated in 1843-44.  
(CONTINUED ON SIMP 1840)  
BUILT BY WILLIAM THOMPSON



# Colleton County Courthouse Restoration

*Colleton County Government / Walterboro, South Carolina*





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*Colleton County Government / Walterboro, South Carolina*

Our firm designed and produced construction documents to renovate the historic Colleton County Courthouse. Originally constructed in the 1820s and expanded in 1937, the courthouse follows typical plans used throughout South Carolina for courthouses.

The primary façade of the original courthouse is attributed to Robert Mills and includes a classical portico with a full entablature, a pair of “open-arm” stairs with wrought iron rails, scored stucco and large windows set in recessed arched panels. Later additions proved sympathetic to the original design and added two additional porticos that are secondary, though complementary to the grand portico, at the main entrance.

Two courts are housed in the building. The modifications significantly improved the operation of the courts and support functions located on site. Of primary concern was improving the security of the presiding judges and court participants. Our firm carefully addressed security concerns within the confines of the existing spaces. At the same time, the solutions offered were respectful to the historic stature of the courthouse.



**FAST FACTS:**

**Completion:** 2007

**Cost:** \$3,000,000

**Size:** 20,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design







# Matthew J. Perry U.S. Federal Committee

*General Services Administration / Columbia, South Carolina*

*Matthew J. Perry U.S. Federal Courthouse /*



## Matthew J. Perry U.S. Federal Courthouse

*General Services Administration / Columbia, South Carolina*

SSOE, in association with Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott, designed this new U.S. courthouse. The exterior design is based on the Robert Mills vernacular. The predominant building material is brick with limestone accents punctuating the individual windows. The three-story entry element is used as a strong and traditionally elegant ordering device.

The three-story complex has a central lobby anchored by a rotunda, which serves as a vertical intersection of the public circulation. The courts surround this public axis creating a grand space, which receives natural light from the rotunda skylight and the entry atrium. Large open public lobbies provide circulation space outside the District and Magistrate Judge courtrooms.

The design team collaborated with judges, court reporters, clerks and attorneys to design and provide the correct layout of the courtrooms, which harmonize interior features ranging from traditional wood bench seating to electronic evidence and video-conferencing equipment.



### FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2003

**Cost:** \$30,000,000

**Size:** 208,000 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design, Programming





# John C. Godbold Federal Building

*General Services Administration / Atlanta, Georgia*







# John C. Godbold Federal Building - Elbert P. Tuttle U.S. Court of Appeals

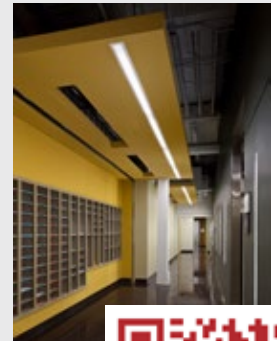
General Services Administration / Atlanta, Georgia

SSOE provided design services for the addition and renovation of this certified historic building, located in the heart of downtown Atlanta. The project was comprised of the administrative office space for the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals and included the rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of two existing historic buildings adjacent to the Tuttle Courthouse.

Our services included the design for new construction of ancillary space including a security screening area, loading dock, solid waste disposal/storage, underground secure parking, and a pedestrian tunnel between the existing Tuttle Courthouse and the annex.

The project was designed utilizing Building Information Modeling (BIM) software, a 3D design-driven production method. This project is part of the GSA Design Excellence Program and achieved LEED Gold certification.

The project was constructed using the design/build "Bridging" project delivery method. Our services included pre-design, design, design review and construction phase services.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2012

**Cost:** \$30,000,000

**Size:** 130,000 SF

**Services:** Programming, Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design

## Design Awards:

The Georgia Trust – 2012 Award of Excellence in Rehabilitation

Atlanta Urban Design Commission – 2012 Award of Excellence in Adaptive Reuse





# Sandusky Courthouse Renovation

*County of Sandusky / Fremont, Ohio*



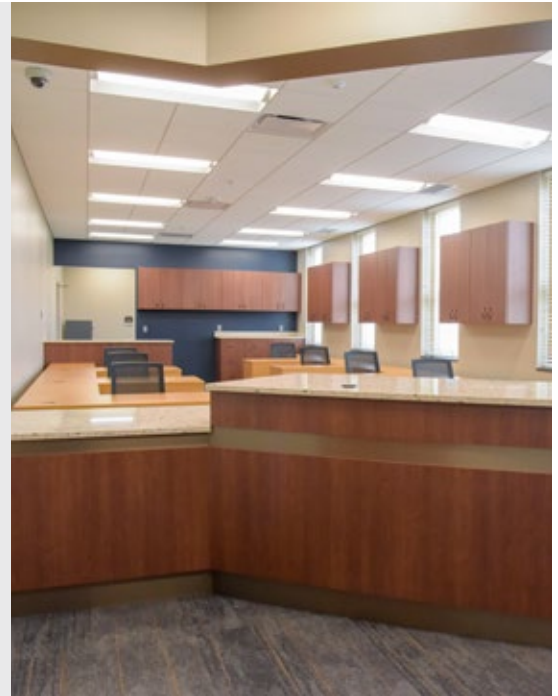
# Sandusky County Courthouse Renovation

*County of Sandusky / Fremont, Ohio*

SSOE provided professional services for the Sandusky County Courthouse's interior renovation project. With the main part of the building dating back to 1844 and an expansion in the 1930s, the courthouse's interior needed significant modernization. Mindful of the building's original Grecian design, the team complemented its 19th-century style while giving it 21st-century functionality.

By overcoming several obstacles to ensure that the feasibility of the design was compatible with the building's current architecture, the team worked to maintain a realistic schedule. Improvements included ADA upgrades, enhancements to both public and staff areas, and department layout improvements to increase efficiency—marrying contemporary and traditional finishes throughout for a uniform appearance. In addition, project savings were realized by preserving existing corridor marble walls with the removal of 100+ years of build-up.

The courthouse's technology and security systems received a complete overhaul, which included installing a single point of entry with metal detectors and securing all remaining access doors with card reader access control. A complete lockdown security system was installed with alert buttons placed in each department for use. By better defining public and staff areas, workflow improved from one department to the next. Most importantly, employee safety was significantly enhanced through the security and mass notification measures our data/fire/security experts put in place.



## FAST FACTS:

**Completion:** 2019

**Cost:** Confidential

**Size:** 50,154 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering







# South Carolina Supreme Court Renovation

*State of South Carolina / Columbia, South Carolina*





# South Carolina Supreme Court Renovation

*State of South Carolina / Columbia, South Carolina*

Our firm renovated the existing South Carolina Supreme Court Building to have a more efficient layout and capture additional square footage without adding on to the building.

The building's new floor plan is a marked contrast to the disparate groupings of the previous layouts. The upper floors are divided into suites for the Justices with adjacent offices for their clerks and secretaries. Reducing the size of the massive first and second floor offices yielded an additional 13 offices.

This 1920's building, which was originally designed as the main Columbia Post Office, was renovated in 1971 to house the South Carolina Supreme Court. However, in the years following the renovation, the building had become less efficient as a result of the growth of the court while the interior finishes had more than 20 years of wear.

The scope of work for this project consisted of extensive space planning that resulted in the partial gutting of the building, providing interior cosmetic renovation to usable areas, and the invention of a mill work system compatible with the structure's original architectural elements.



## **FAST FACTS:**

**Completion:** 1992

**Cost:** \$3,800,000

**Size:** 52,770 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering, Programming, Interior Design

## **Design Awards:**

Institute of Business Designers, Carolinas Chapter – 1992 Gold Award, Best in Show Adaptive Re-Use Restoration

American Society of Interior Design, Carolinas Chapter – 1992 Honor Award for Design Excellence for Renovation/Restoration

Architectural Woodwork Institute – 1992 Award of Excellence





# South Carolina State House

*State of South Carolina / Columbia, South Carolina*

*South Carolina State House /*



# SC State House Restoration & Renovation

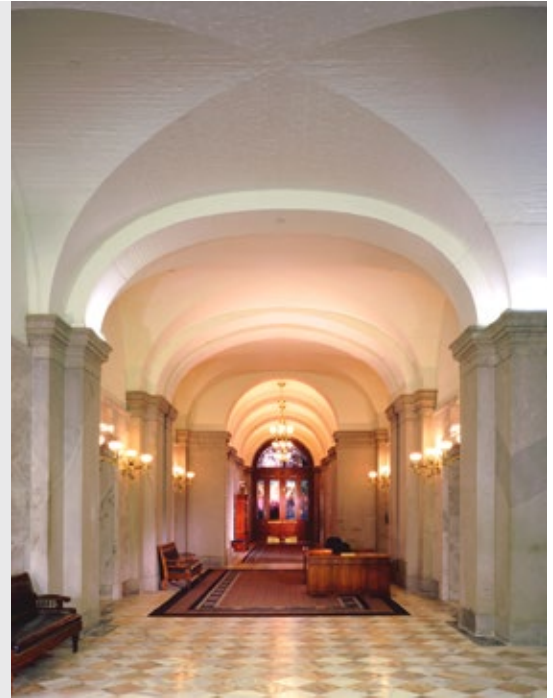
*State of South Carolina / Columbia, South Carolina*

SSEOE worked with state officials on the historic restoration and renovation to the South Carolina State House. Intermittently constructed over a period of 50 years, and renovated numerous times since its completion, the design team successfully developed a design strategy that would protect the historical integrity of the building by restoring several areas obscured by prior renovations.

Where current needs demanded further modifications to the structure, unifying elements were created by adapting existing details pulled from archived drawings and newly developed site plans completed by hand by the design team.

In order to address concerns surrounding the building's current requirements for life safety, the restoration also involved replacing all mechanical, electrical and fire protection systems with state-of-the-art designs, while also incorporating required codes, ADA, seismic (which involved the creation of a base isolation system – the first of its kind east of the Mississippi), and fresh air requirements. Additionally, interior finishes were upgraded to reflect the history and overall essence of the state.

Hailed as one of the most iconic structures in the state, this 150 year old landmark, is a cultural “must-see” and features key renovations to both the Senate and House Chambers and Gallery, Main Lobby, Legislative Meeting Room, Library Mezzanine, Governor's and Lt. Governor's office and staff areas, Legislative Council Room, and Press Office.



## **FAST FACTS:**

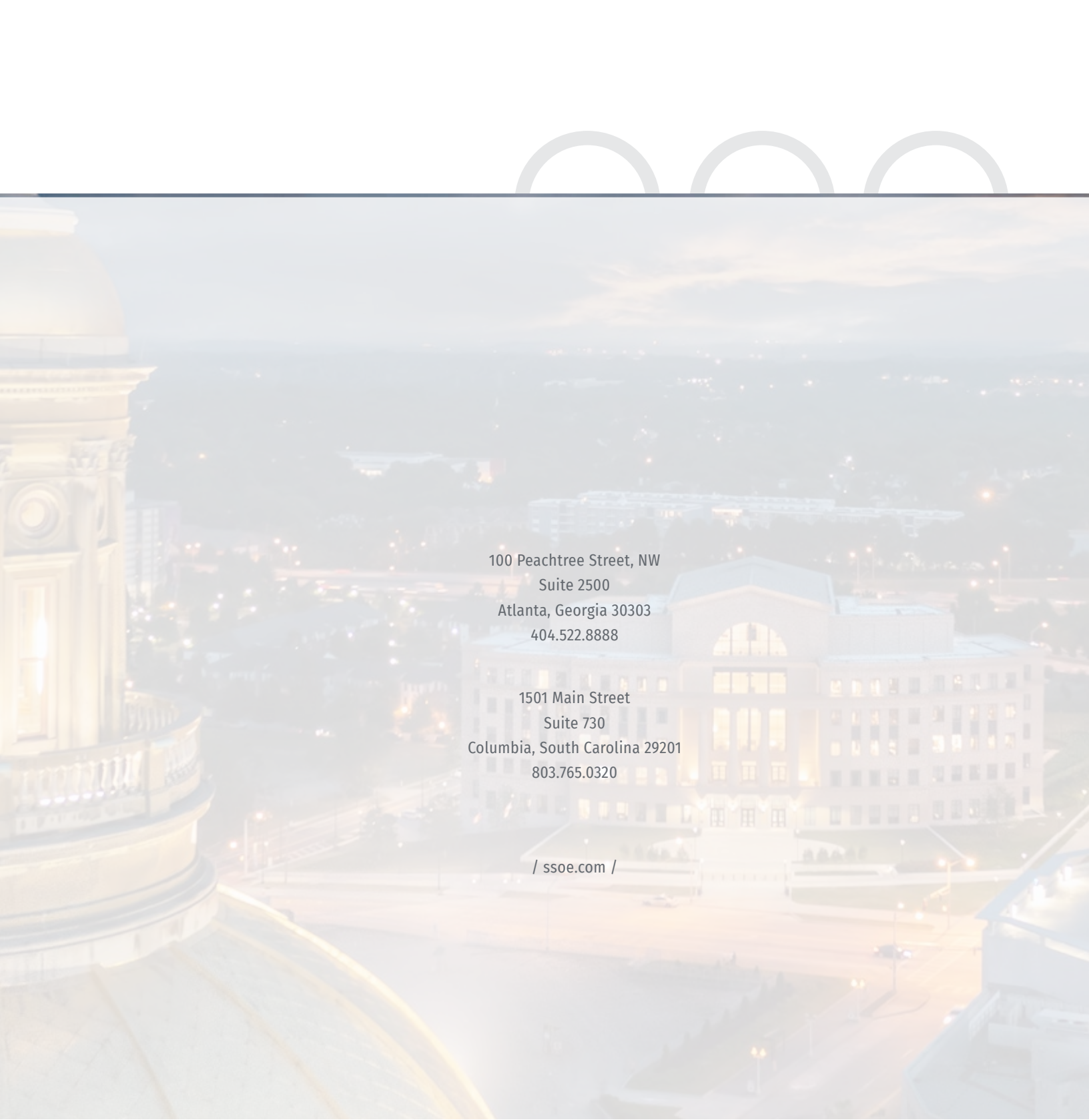
**Completion:** 1998

**Cost:** \$48,200,000

**Size:** 130,673 SF

**Services:** Architecture, Engineering,  
Interior Design





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