

ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

Alabama Historical Commission
725 Monroe Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

L. & N. Railroad Depot

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

200 East Railroad Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Bay Minette

VICINITY OF
CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Alabama

Baldwin

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

Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company

STREET & NUMBER

CITY TOWN

Louisville

VICINITY OF

STATE

Kentucky

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baldwin County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Court Square

CITY TOWN

Bay Minette

STATE

Alabama 36507

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Bay Minette's L & N Railroad Depot, built in 1911, remains structurally unaltered since its construction.

Basically L-shaped, the frame structure's exterior is of horizontal siding running from the foundation to the top of window and door level. From this level to the roofline, the exterior is of much narrower vertical siding.

The shallow-pitched gable roof's wide overhang is supported on the building's front and rear by large brackets. The gable-ends are decorated with smaller console brackets.

Doors of the 9-bay facade are simple, wide, single-leaf doors opening onto a loading dock. Windows are narrow double-hung sash. The building has 2 interior chimneys.

The interior is simple with wide board floors and horizontally panelled walls. The only alteration over the years has been a change in paint color.

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

SPECIFIC DATES 1911

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Bay Minette's L & N Railroad Depot, built in 1911, serves as a reminder of the importance of the railroad to the development of both Bay Minette and all of north Baldwin County.

The L & N first came to Bay Minette to connect Blakeley with Mobile and Montgomery, the new state capital. Although the Civil War severely impeded the growth of the rail system in the south, Baldwin County was not seriously effected due to the few rail lines existing there at the time.

By 1905, construction was completed on the rail line connecting Bay Minette with Foley. As the system grew, Bay Minette prospered with the influx of industry and the new residents that came with it. The new residents contributed much to the area's growth, and the new Bay Minette depot was a central point of attraction for many years as area residents gathered to view incoming trains and passengers.

The depot is fairly well-preserved and is representative of railroad architecture of the early 1900's.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1

QUADRANGLE NAME Bay Minette

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:62,500

UTM REFERENCES

A 16 426250 341,650.0
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

John F. Rhodes

ORGANIZATION

City of Bay Minette

DATE

9-26-74

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 650

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bay Minette

STATE

Alabama

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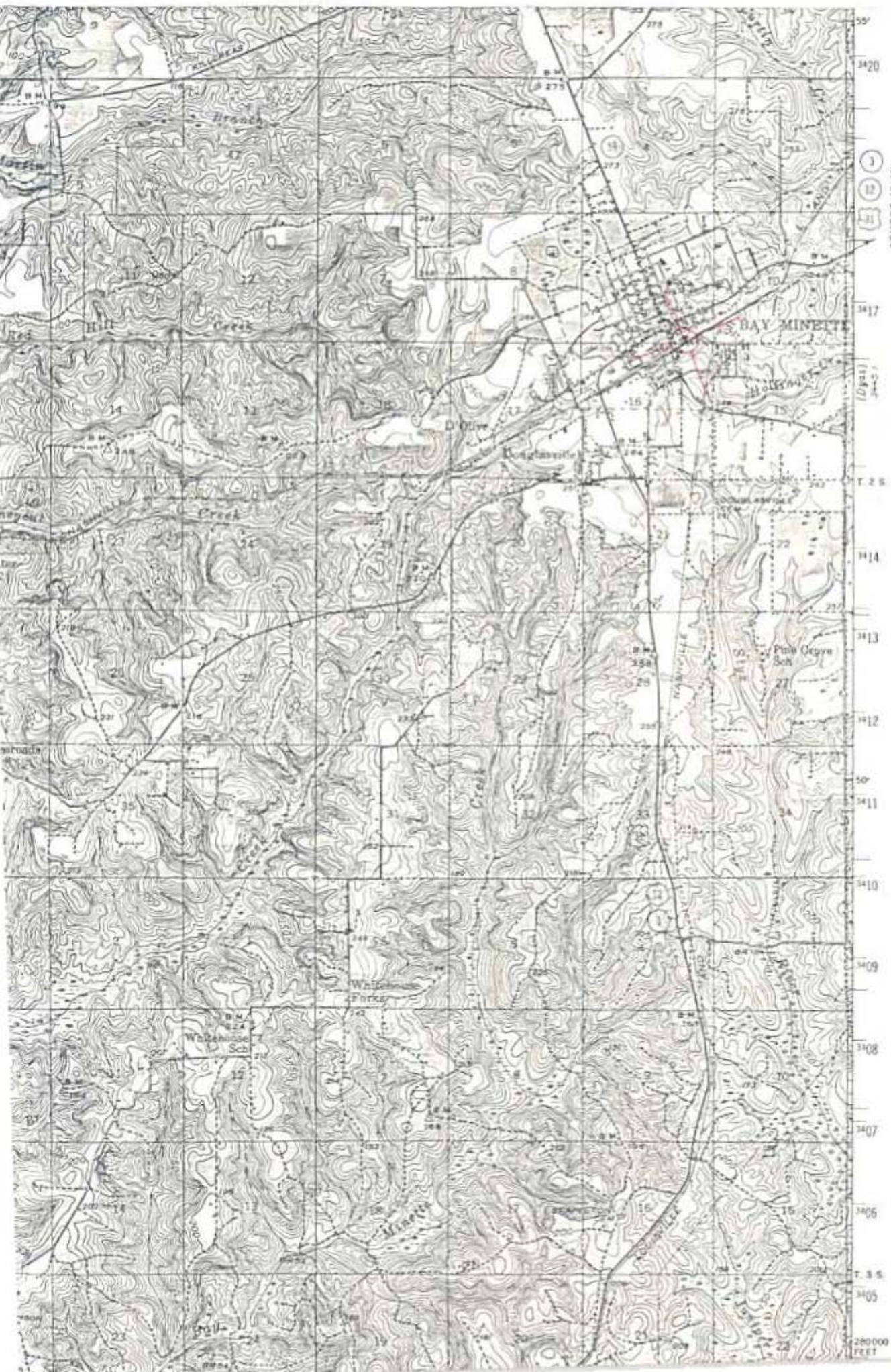
Staff Member David Baldwin

ADDED _____ Number _____

Thematic Category Art-Architecture, Technology-Commerce

National Register Potential

Added to National Register _____



ATHORE 19 MI.
BREWTON 49 MI.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Alabama
COUNTY:	Baldwin
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY DATE:	

1. NAME

COMMON:	L & N RR. Depot
AND/OR HISTORIC:	

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 200 East Railroad Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Bay Minette		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 1st	
STATE: Alabama	CODE: 36507	COUNTY: Baldwin	CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____	

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company	STATE:
STREET AND NUMBER:	
CITY OR TOWN: Louisville	STATE: Kentucky
	CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Courthouse at Bay Minette	COUNTY:
STREET AND NUMBER: Court Square	
CITY OR TOWN: Bay Minette	STATE: Alabama
	CODE: 36507

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:	
DATE OF SURVEY:	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:	
STREET AND NUMBER:	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:
	CODE:

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STATE
COUNTY
ENTRY NUMBER
DATE
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The L & N Depot stands today as it was originally built circa 1911. The structure is sturdy but needs repairs and painting. The benches in the waiting room have deteriorated but could be brought up to the standards of the period in which it was built. The appearance of the building has not changed structurally; only the color of the paint has varied through the years. It is a frame building. The lumber used in the construction is of a far superior quality than any of the lumber used for any purpose today. It represents the general type of architecture used for all L & N Railroad depots in the early twentieth century.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1911

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In connection with the preservation of the old L & N Railroad station building here in Bay Minette, the question is, should it be or not be preserved.

In the beginning the railroad sought to develop the area by bringing industry and people into the area, thus it grew and developed not only by the railroad, but the community as a whole.

Therefore these people contributed very much to the community through their efforts and labors, not directly but indirectly, thus through them developed a sense of pride and concern for the railroad station which was the central point of attraction for many years, and weekend gatherings of the community people to view the passengers trains and travelers.

So, in view of these forgings relative to the L & N station, it should be preserved for posterity- "the sons and daughters of the founding community" - as well as a reminder of the railroads share in the growth of the community and of Baldwin County.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"			
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"			
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"	11	30	58
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"	71	44	1

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1 acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
John F. (Rickey) Rhodes

ORGANIZATION: City Of Bay Minette, Alabama

DATE: 9-26-74

STREET AND NUMBER:
P.O. Box 650

CITY OR TOWN: Bay Minette

STATE: Alabama

CODE: _____

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

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

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY MAP FORM**

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

STATE Alabama	
COUNTY Baldwin	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME			
COMMON: L & N Railroad Depot and Warehouse			
AND/OR HISTORIC:			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: 200 East Railroad Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Bay Minette			
STATE: Alabama	CODE 36507	COUNTY: Baldwin	CODE
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: Chamber of Commerce and Baldwin County Bank			
SCALE:			
DATE: 3/72			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS.			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM**

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

STATE	
COUNTY	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME			
COMMON: L & N Railroad Depot and Warehouse			
AND/OR HISTORIC:			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: 200 East Railroad Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Bay Minette			
STATE: Alabama	CODE 36507	COUNTY: Baldwin	CODE
3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Steve Gallion			
DATE OF PHOTO: August 19, 1974			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Baldwin Times, Bay Minette, Alabama 36507			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
Front of building looking southeast			
Rear of building looking due west			
Waiting Room			
Freight Office			

BAY MINETTE



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