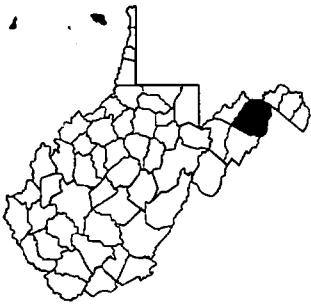


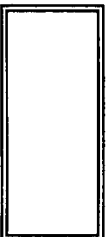


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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address Southwest corner of Main Street and Grafton Street	Common/Historic Name/Both ☐ ☐ ☐ Old Bank of Romney (Historic)	Field Survey # 3	Site # (SHPO Only) HM-0047-0010 HM-0135
Town or Community Romney	County Hampshire County	Negative No. 00A	NR Listed Date
Architect/Builder	Date of Construction 1908	Style Classic Revival	
Exterior Siding/Materials Flemish Bond Brick	Roofing Material Concrete	Foundation Stone	
Property Use or Function Residence ☐ Commercial + Other ☐	UTM #	Photograph (2" x 3" Contact)	
Survey Organization & Date Archer, Inc. Field Survey October 2006 and February 2007	Quadrangle Name Romney		
	Part of What Survey/FR# FR-5-233-HM-1		

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS Map



Site No.

N



Present Owners

Owners Mailing Address

Phone #

Describe Setting

_____ Acres

_____ Archaeological
Artifacts Present

Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present)

_____ 2 _____ Stories _____ 3 _____ Front Bays

This large brick building dominates much of Main and Grafton Streets. The brickwork is very fine and executed in Flemish bond with glazed headers. Ionic brick pilasters divide the front facade into three separate business units. A similar treatment is used to define bays on the Grafton Street side. The front entrance is topped by a Palladian-style window and flanked by stone pilasters. The cornice is now absent its original modillion blocks.

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Alterations

☐☒

If yes, describe:

Yes

No

Additions

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If yes, describe: A modern, non-conforming, brick addition extends from the building's west side.

Yes

No

Describe All Outbuildings

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Statement of Significance

Contributing

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Bibliographical References

(Use Continuation Sheets)

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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

NAME Romney Commercial Historic District

SITE# HM-0135

3. Old Bank of Romney (1908)

Southwest corner of Main and Grafton Streets

Deed Reference 373/37 Part of Lot 77

HM-0047-0010

Negative #00A

Contributing: Field Survey #3



This large, 2-story, flat-roofed, Classical Revival style, brick building dominates much of Main and Grafton Streets. The brickwork is very fine and executed in Flemish bond with glazed headers. Ionic brick pilasters divide the front façade into three separate business units. A similar treatment is used to define bays on the Grafton Street side. The front entrance is topped by a Palladian-style window and flanked by stone pilasters. The cornice is now absent its original modillion blocks. A modern, non-conforming, brick addition extends from the building's west side.

HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

(Staff Use Only)

HISTORIC PRESERVATION UNIT
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE & HISTORY
THE CULTURAL CENTER
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25305

RATING CHD
CONTEXT Commercial

File No:	
Theme(s):	
Neg Note:	
USGS Quad:	
UTM Ref:	

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DISTRICT...SITE...BUILDING...STRUCTURE...OBJECT

1. NAME(S), historic/common: Old Bank of Romney Building
Cookman Building

2. LOCATION, street/road: Corner of Main and Grafton Streets

city/town: Romney
(incorporated/unincorporated)

3. USE/FUNCTION, present: Office/Retail (public/private, restricted)

original: Bank of Romney Building
Offices

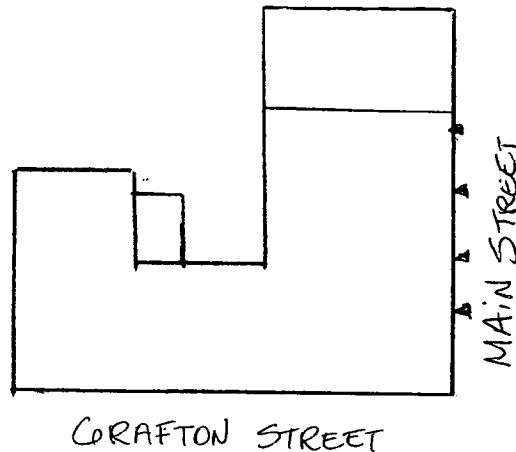
4. OWNER/ADDRESS, present: James B. Cookman
Romney (public/private)

original: Bank of Romney

5. PHOTO/SKETCH OF:

ATTACHED.

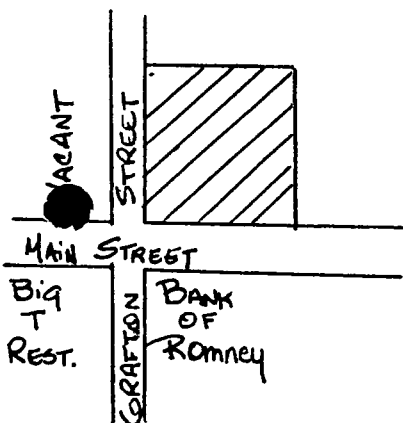
7. PLAN (include approx. dimensions):



6. LOCALE/ENVIRONMENT(map):

8. ACREAGE (approx):

Lot Size:
82' X 142'



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Survey Region:	
Planning District:	

COUNTY: Hampshire

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9. DESCRIPTION (clarify as appropriate):

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a. Exterior Fabric

stone _____
 brick X _____
 concrete _____
 stucco _____
 weatherboard _____
 clapboard _____
 board & batten _____
 shingle _____
 other _____

b. Structural System

masonry X _____
 frame _____
 log _____
 metal _____
 other _____
 foundation Stone with a
concrete water table

c. Roofing Material

wood _____
 metal _____
 slate _____
 tile _____
 asphalt _____
 composition X _____
 other _____

d. Associated Structures (use/type):

outbuildings _____

 dependencies _____

 other _____

e. Integrity (include dates):

original site/relocated _____
 alterations _____

 additions See plan - dates unknown
on additions.

f. Condition:

excellent X _____
 good _____
 fair _____
 deteriorated _____
 abandoned _____

g. Threats:

None

10. SIGNIFICANCE (use additional sheet if necessary):

a. Architect/Builder/Engineer:

Bank of Romney

b. Style/Period:

Neo classical

c. Date(s):

1908

remodeled 1928.

The Old Bank of Romney building has dominated the Corner of Main and Grafton Streets since 1908. Much of the building's architectural features on the Main and Grafton Street facade has remained unchanged, with the exception of block modillions, that have been removed from the cornice. The main entrance still contains the Venetian treatment: flat pilasters with ionic capitals, half urns, and a rounded arch. The building on the Grafton Street facade is visually divided into sections with the use of pilasters.

Today the building is used to house offices and retail establishments. The architectural features of the building are unequalled in the downtown area.

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