

**Historic Property** Sears Building  
**Inventory Report for** 600 Franklin St SE, Olympia, WA

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**LOCATION SECTION**

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**Historic Name:** Sears Building **Field Site No.:** 3514  
**Common Name:** **OAHP No.:**  
**Property Address:** 600 Franklin St SE, Olympia, WA  
**Comments:**

**County** **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**  
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**UTM Reference**  
**Zone:** 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** Unknown  
**Sequence:** 10 **Easting:** 507692 **Northing:** 5209978

**Tax No./Parcel No.** **Plat/Block/Lot**  
78503600100 Sylvester L 1 to 6 B 36 & Vac Alleys

**Supplemental Map(s)** **Acreage**

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

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**Field Recorder:** ss **Date Recorded:** 6/3/2004 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

**Owner's Name:** **Owner Address:** **City/State/Zip:**  
Wash-Gen Admin PO Box 41019 Olympia, WA 98504

**Classification:** Building **Resource Status** **Comments**

**Within a District?** Yes **Survey/Inventory**

**Contributing?**

**National Register Nomination:**

**Local District:**

**National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:** OLYMPIA DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

**DESCRIPTION SECTION**

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**Historic Use:** Government - Government Office

**Current Use:** Commerce/Trade - Business

**Plan:** Rectangle **No. of Stories:** two

**Structural System:** Concrete - Poured

**Changes to plan:** Intact

**Changes to interior:** Extensive

**Changes to original cladding:** Intact

**Changes to other:**

**Changes to windows:** Moderate

**Other (specify):**

**Cladding** Concrete - Poured

**Foundation** Concrete - Poured

**Style** Modern

**Form/Type** Commercial

**Roof Material** Asphalt / Composition - Built Up

**Roof Type** Flat with Parapet

**NARRATIVE SECTION**

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<b>Study Unit</b>	<b>Other</b>
Commerce	

**Date Of Construction:**    1951  
**Architect:**  
**Builder:**  
**Engineer:**

**Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:**  
**Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):**  
**Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):**

**Statement of Significance**    The first Presbyterian Church in Olympia was built here in 1862. The Sears store moved to South Sound Center in Lacey when it opened in 1966.

**Description of Physical Appearance**    This was built in 1951 as a Sears store. It is a two story concrete building at the corner of Franklin and Legion Way. It has a flat, built-up roof. The façade is concrete with an incised rectangular design. The front (west) of the building has large plate glass display windows which are sheltered by a metal canopy. There is a recessed entry off-set to the south of the front facade. The building slopes with the street elevation downward to the east. There is a large parking lot in this area which has the same tax lot.

**Major Bibliographic References**    Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. Thurston County Assessor's records.

**PHOTOS**

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**View of taken**  
**Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):**

**Comments:**