

**Site Inventory Form**  
**State Historical Society of Iowa**  
 (November 2005)

**State Inventory No.** 29-03648       New     Supplemental  
 Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 29-03685  
 Relationship:     Contributing     Noncontributing  
 Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries  
 National Register Status:(any that apply)     Listed     De-listed     NHL     DOE  
 9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non-Extant (enter year) \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Name of Property**

historic name Bell Investment Company  
 other names/site number Downtown Survey Map # DT-07

**2. Location**

street & number 100 Valley Street  
 city or town Burlington       vicinity, county Des Moines  
 Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name \_\_\_\_\_ Township No. \_\_\_\_\_ Range No. \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Quarter \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If Urban) Subdivision Original City Block(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Lot(s) 45 (most – except N and W strips)

**3. State/Federal Agency Certification [Skip this Section]**

**4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]**

**5. Classification**

Category of Property (Check only one box)	Number of Resources within Property	
	If Non-Eligible Property Enter number of:	If Eligible Property, enter number of: Contributing    Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	_____ buildings	_____ 1 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> district	_____ sites	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____ structures	_____ structures
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____ objects	_____ objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____ Total	_____ 1 Total

**Name of related project report or multiple property study** (Enter "N/A" if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).  
 Title Intensive Level Historical and Architectural Survey of "East" Downtown Burlington, IA      *Historical Architectural Data Base Number* 29-034

**6. Function or Use**

<b>Historic Functions</b> (Enter categories from instructions)	<b>Current Functions</b> (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>02E: Commerce – specialty office</u>	<u>02B03: Commerce/ Trade - Law office</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

**7. Description**

<b>Architectural Classification</b> (Enter categories from instructions)	<b>Materials</b> (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>09F05: Commercial / brick front</u>	foundation <u>10 - Concrete</u>
_____	walls (visible material) <u>03 - Brick</u>
_____	roof <u>not visible</u>
_____	other      _____

**Narrative Description** ( SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

**8. Statement of Significance**

**Applicable National Register Criteria** (Mark "x" representing your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria)

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	A Property is associated with significant events.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended	D Property yields significant information in archaeology or history.

County Des Moines Address 100 Valley Street Site Number 29-03648  
City Burlington District Number 29-03685

**Criteria Considerations**

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B Removed from its original location.
- C A birthplace or grave.
- D A cemetery.
- E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F A commemorative property.
- G Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Areas of Significance** (Enter categories from instructions)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Dates**

Construction date 1980  check if circa or estimated date  
Other dates, including renovation \_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Person**

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Architect/Builder**

Architect

Builder

Carl A. Nelson Company

**Narrative Statement of Significance**  SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Bibliography  See continuation sheet for citations of the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form

**10. Geographic Data**

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	_____	_____	2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	4	_____	_____

See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

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**ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** (Submit the following items with the completed form)

**FOR ALL PROPERTIES**

- Map:** showing the property's location in a town/city or township.
- Site plan:** showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
- Photographs:** representative black and white photos. If the photos are taken as part of a survey for which the Society is to be curator of the negatives or color slides, a photo/catalog sheet needs to be included with the negatives/slides and the following needs to be provided below on this particular inventory site:

Roll/slide sheet #	_____	Frame/slot #	_____	Date Taken	_____
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See continuation sheet or attached photo & slide catalog sheet for list of photo roll or slide entries.

Photos/illustrations without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

**FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL**

- Farmstead & District:** (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
- Barn:**
  - A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
  - A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
  - A sketch floor plan of the interior space arrangements along with the barn's exterior dimensions in feet.

**State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line**

Concur with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility:  Yes  No  More Research Recommended

This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluated by (name/title): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Des Moines

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## 7. Narrative Description

This is a one story brick office building constructed at the northwest corner of Valley and Front streets in 1980. The Valley/south side has a recessed entry area with large windows and four recessed window bays. The Front/east side has four large recessed window bays that extend across the entire side. Smaller windows and a side entry are found on the north side, with parking along this side of the building as well as set within the lot boundary on the east side.

## 8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Bell Investment Company building appears to fall within the boundary for the potential Downtown Commercial Historic District, but as it was built in 1980 it falls after the period of significance and is counted as non-contributing within the district.

The construction of this one-story office building in 1980 is directly related to developments on the remainder of the block by Hawkeye Bank and Trust. In 1967, Hawkeye Bancorporation bought the Burlington Bank & Trust. In 1976, they changed the name to Hawkeye Bank and Trust. In 1978, the bank bought and demolished three old structures on the east half of the block – the former Witte paint factory on Front Street, the Prall Insurance and Bell buildings on Jefferson, and the Typewriter Shop on Valley (“New Hawkeye Bank Nearly Complete,” *Hawk-Eye*, February 27, 1983, 47). A building permit was issued to Hawkeye Bank & Trust on June 27, 1980 to construct a one-story 50 by 100’ office building at 100 Valley Street. Carl A. Nelson Company was listed as the contractor. Bell Investment Company is then listed as the owner on a sign permit application on February 26, 1981. They completed some remodeling in 1985. They sold the building in 1989 to a lawyer firm, who remodeled the building for their offices. Currently, the successor law firm of Swanson, Engler, Gordon, Benne & Clark occupies the building.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Building permits, City of Burlington, City Hall, Burlington.

City Directories, Burlington, Iowa, various dates. On microfiche at the Burlington Public Library

Deed records, per transfer books at Des Moines County Auditor’s Office.

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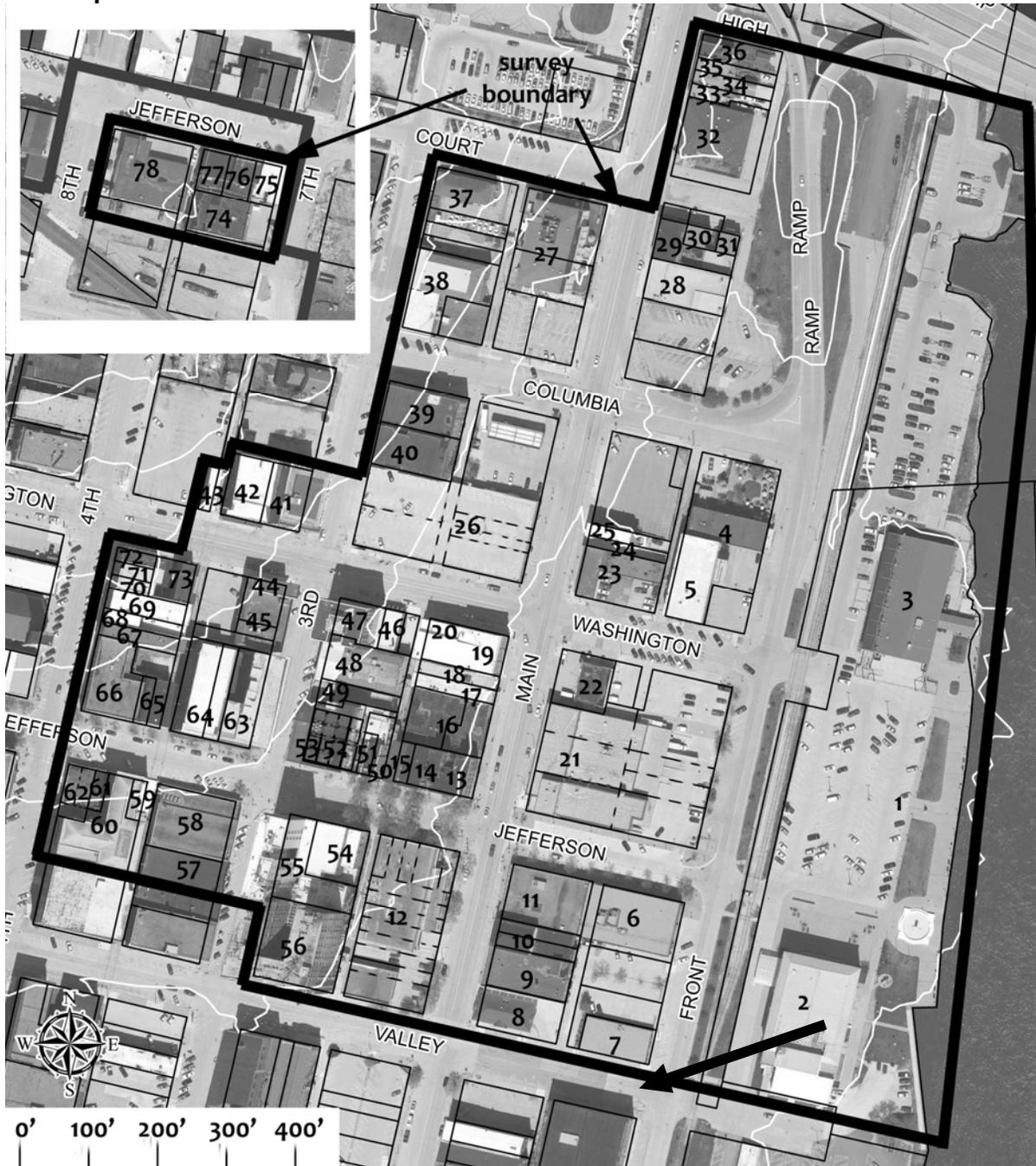
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## Location map



Base aerial photography by Aerial Services Inc for Des Moines County GIS Commission, March 2010.

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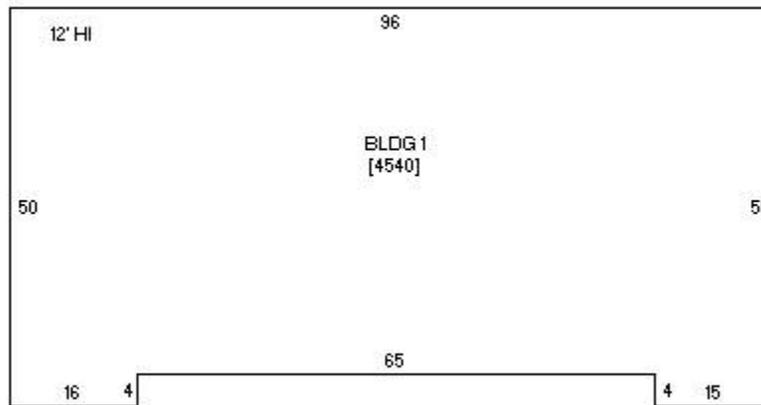
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## Building plan (from assessor's website)



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**Digital photographs**



Photograph 29-03648-001 – East and north elevations, looking southwest (McCarley, June 20, 2012)

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**Photograph 29-03648-002 – West and south elevations, looking northeast (McCarley, June 20, 2012)**