

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0412075711

Address: 306-8 Water Street  
Current Name: Donnelly Building

Block: 1348 Lot: 10	Lot size: 53' x 68'
Height: 2 stories	Materials: Brick and stone
Condition: Good	Owner: Maury, Donnelly and Parr, Inc.
Use: Insurance office	Accessible: Yes
Designation: None	Liber/Folio: MLP 6628-378



Historic Name: Donnelly Building  
Date: 1905  
Architect/Builder: Tormey and Leach  
Style (if appropriate):

## Description:

This two story high building located at the northwest corner of Commerce and Water Streets has a diagonally cut corner entrance. Above a flight of granite steps the aluminum and glass door entrance is surmounted by an exaggerated, large pediment with scroll end brackets and keystones. A sliding painted metal door hides the new entrance doors when the building is closed. Above the entrance and pediment is a large arch that has been filled in. Stone quoins surround the corner entrance and the side corners of the building. Above a high stone basement level are large three part arched windows on both sides of the building. A secondary entrance is located along the northern bay of the Commerce Street side. This entrance is also set into a bracketed stone surround, but is surmounted by an iron balcony displaying the letters "M" and "D." The second floor features two part windows with iron balconies above stone brackets. A large modillion cornice caps this tan brick and light brown stone design.

## Significance:

Area: Architecture

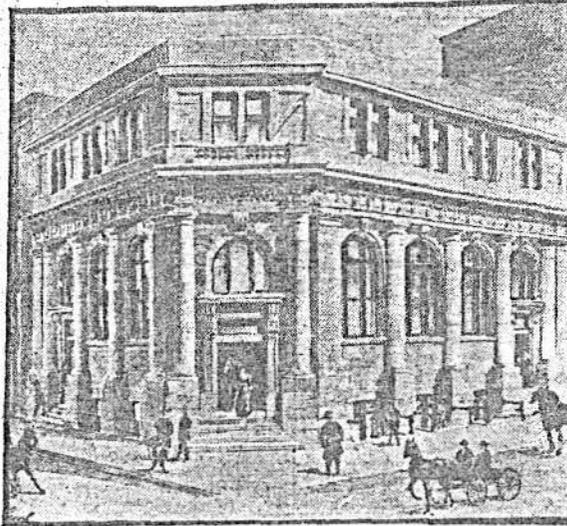
Level: Local

This building is still occupied by Maury and Donnelly, an insurance firm that built it in 1905. An early drawing of the building shows a more ornate design with engaged columns between the windows. The existing structure is a slightly simpler design than the building as originally conceived. The building is unusual for its cut corner entrance. Most buildings built after the fire did not have cut corners. The building is a contributing element of the Financial District.

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Baltimore Financial District Survey  
306 Water Street

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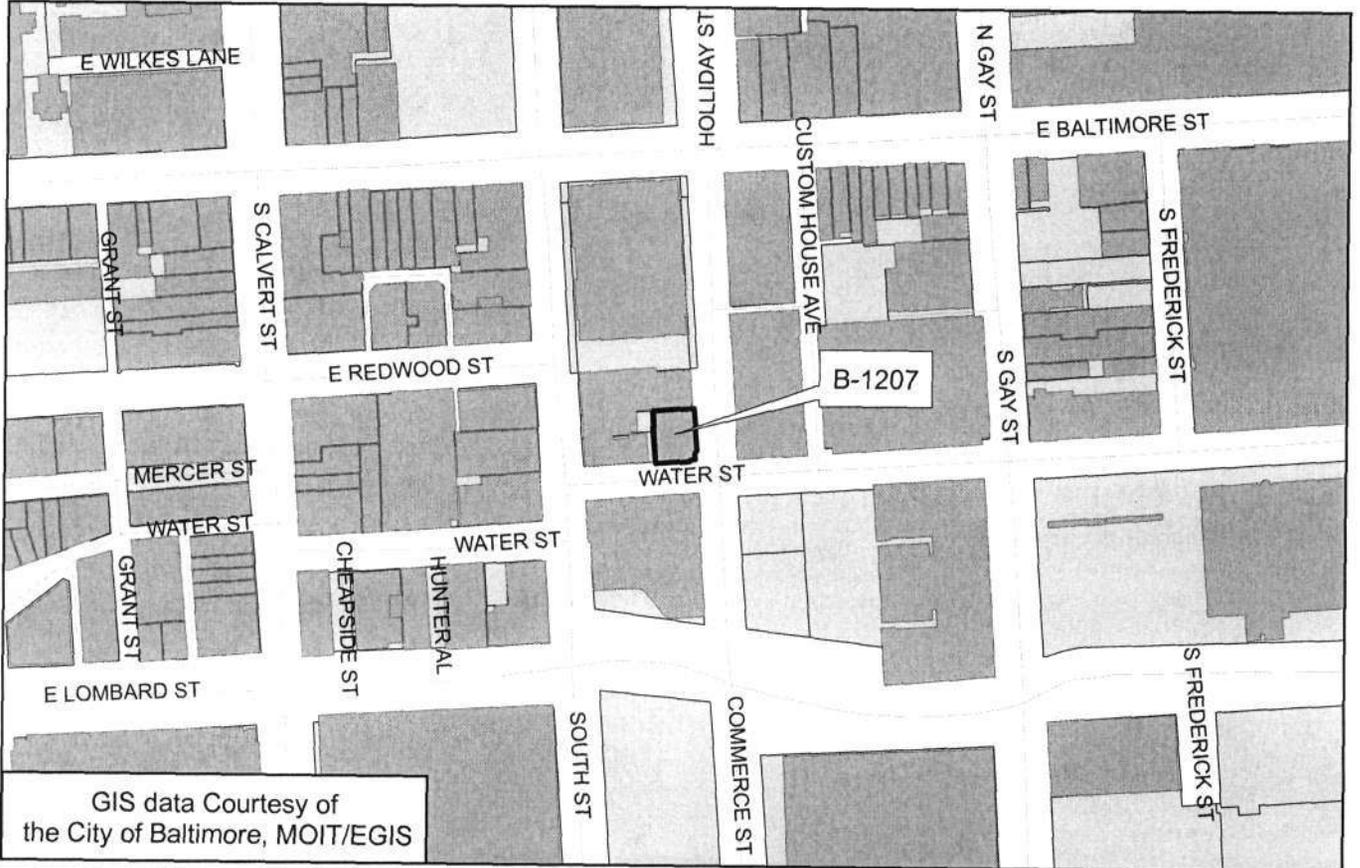
FOR MESSRS. MAURY & DONNELLY

Architects Tormey & Leach have sent out plans for the erection of the new Maury & Donnelly building, northwest corner of Holliday and Water streets. It will be two stories high and will be 52 feet by 67 feet 10 inches. The first floor will be the counting room, and the interior will be artistic. It will be of marble and plaster with decorations. The front will be of stone, and the structure will be fireproof.

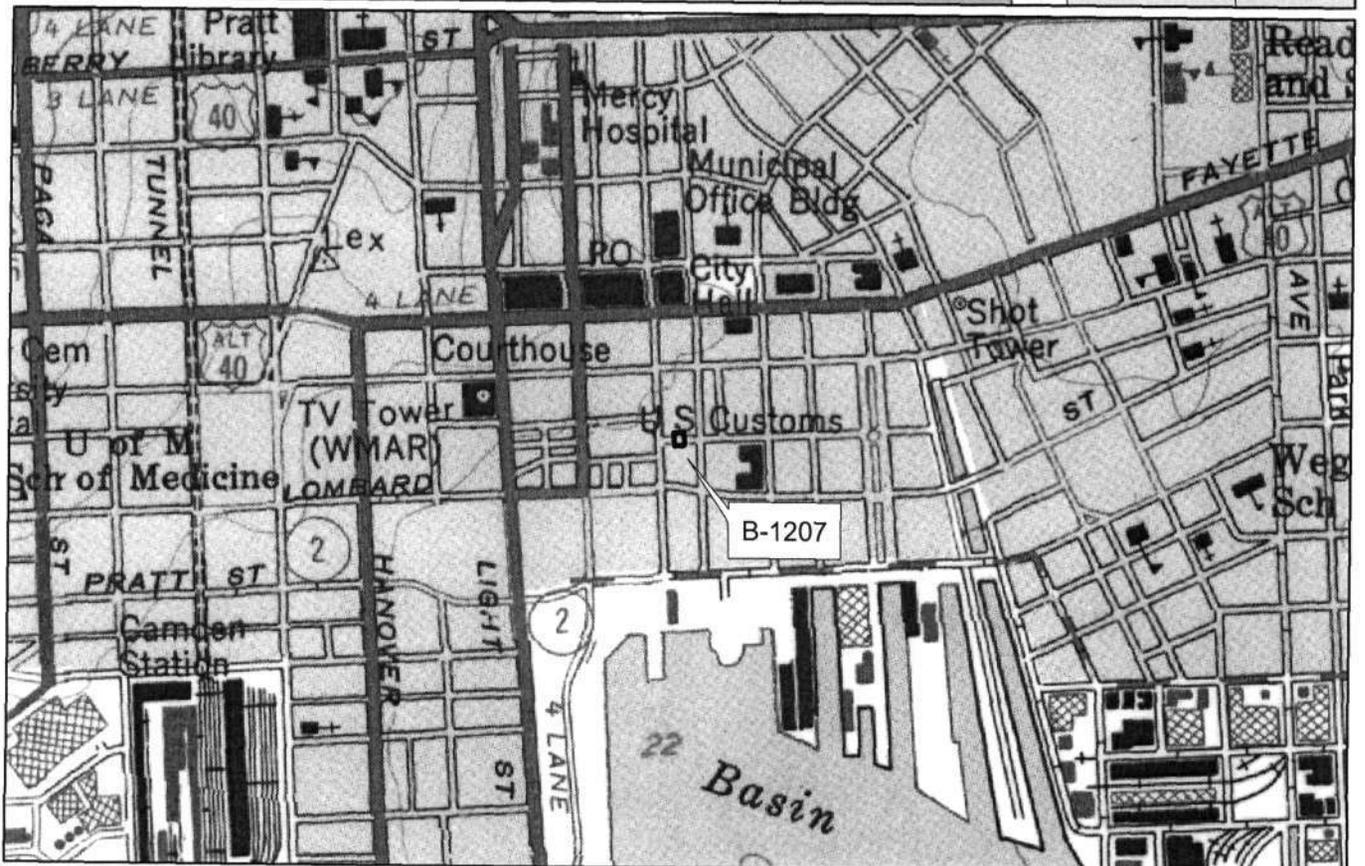
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Donnelly Building (Maury, Donnelly & Parr, Inc.)  
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Block 1348 Lot 010  
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Southeast corner view