

Project Scope Narrative:

The project construction includes the exterior and interior renovations of the former Tennessee State Library and Archives building (TSLA) and the State Supreme Court building. Both buildings are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The project also includes the demolition and removal of a later “old stacks” addition located at the rear of the former TSLA building and a new construction addition on the west side of both buildings providing new office space with an elevated bridge connection between the buildings. The new addition provides parking at the basement level along with site revisions and other related work. The approximate total building square footage is 84,200 square feet. The project is currently in the design process with an anticipated construction start date of October 2026.

Project Design Description:

The project will include the preservation of the TSLA exterior, renovation and reconfiguration of the TSLA building interior, removal of the stacks portion of the building, including the vertical circulation core, and replacement with an addition meeting the functional needs of the Supreme Court. Design will include a secure and accessible connector between the TSLA building and the Supreme Court building. New mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire protection systems will be provided for the existing buildings as well as for the new addition. There will also be moderate reprogramming and rework of the Supreme Court Building as needed to meet the program and return all Court related lease locations in the Metro area to this complex. The project design will embrace the opportunities of the existing facilities while considering a more modern approach to open offices. Both buildings are on the National Register of Historic Places, which will require interaction with the Tennessee Historic Commission. The intent of the project is to utilize the CM/GC delivery method to bring the construction team in at the early stages of the design process allowing significant collaboration between the designer and the construction manager.