

Attorney General Building

(formally known as The Public Safety Building)



The Public Safety Building, originally constructed as the State Highway Building in the late 1930s, at 500 Dexter Ave. in Montgomery, Alabama, was “erected with the aid of WPA funds”. The building, designed by Warren, Knight, and Davis of Birmingham, is still in service, housing offices for many agencies of the State of Alabama. This was the second of the six buildings that surround our State Capitol and is the one that set the style they all followed. It’s constructed of poured concrete, painted, and for decades the Portland Cement Assoc ran full-page ads in national architectural mags lauding Alabama’s concrete buildings. At the time it was built the building was quite small and inefficient, so the Highway Dept built themselves a bigger facility behind the capitol that is now known as the Statehouse. Since then, the building has undergone expansion.