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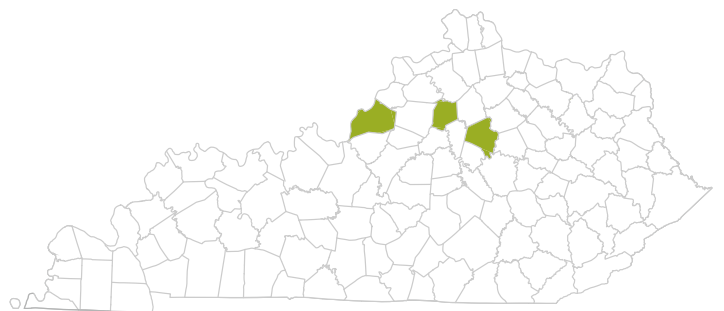
## GIDEON SHRYOCK | 1802-1880



*A pen and ink drawing of the front elevation of the Old State Capitol by architect Gideon Shryock. (1939.1, KHS Museum Collection, Kentucky Historical Society)*

**OLD STATE CAPITOL** – Kentucky’s first native-born professionally trained architect, Gideon Shryock left a very substantial legacy in the form of the Old State Capitol in Frankfort. Only 25 years old when he received the commission, Shryock designed the building in the “latest” style. As the name implies, Greek Revival architecture resembles a temple with its symmetry, triangular pediment and Ionic columns. Built of Kentucky River limestone and completed in 1830, the Old State Capitol is the third capitol building on that site.

Learn more about the Old State Capitol at [ExploreKYHistory](#), a KHS initiative to dig deeper into the history behind Kentucky historical markers.



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