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### **SOLANO SUPERIOR COURT RECEIVES PRESERVATION AWARD**

Fairfield, California - The Superior Court of California, County of Solano is pleased to announce the Old Solano Courthouse will be presented a Preservation Design Award from the California Preservation Foundation at a ceremony on October 2, 2015.

The California Preservation Foundation celebrates and recognizes exemplary work in historic preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, sustainability, studies, reports and other significant categories in the preservation field through the Preservation Design Awards. The Solano Superior Court's award is in the Rehabilitation category for excellence in historic preservation.

The courthouse, originally designed by E.C. Hemmings, is an outstanding example of Beaux Arts architecture expressed in a civic building. The 1911 building served as a functioning courthouse until the 1970's and was returned to a functioning courthouse in September 2014 at a cost of \$29,688,000. The building was donated to the State Judicial Branch from Solano County and Solano County contributed over \$3 million in support of the project to serve the legal needs of the citizens of Solano County.

As stated by Presiding Judge E. Bradley Nelson, "The high level of collaboration between the Court, the architects, the construction manager and general contractor, the County and Judicial Council staff contributed to the success of this project. The Old Solano Courthouse, inside and out, is a sight to behold."

The Old Solano Courthouse renovation was the first project funded by SB1407 to go into construction and took approximately 18 months to complete. The San Francisco-based architectural firm of Hornberger + Worstell, recognized for its achievements in restoration and modernization of historic buildings, designed the project.

The California Preservation Design Awards is a statewide hallmark, showcasing preservation design excellence by firms and individuals.