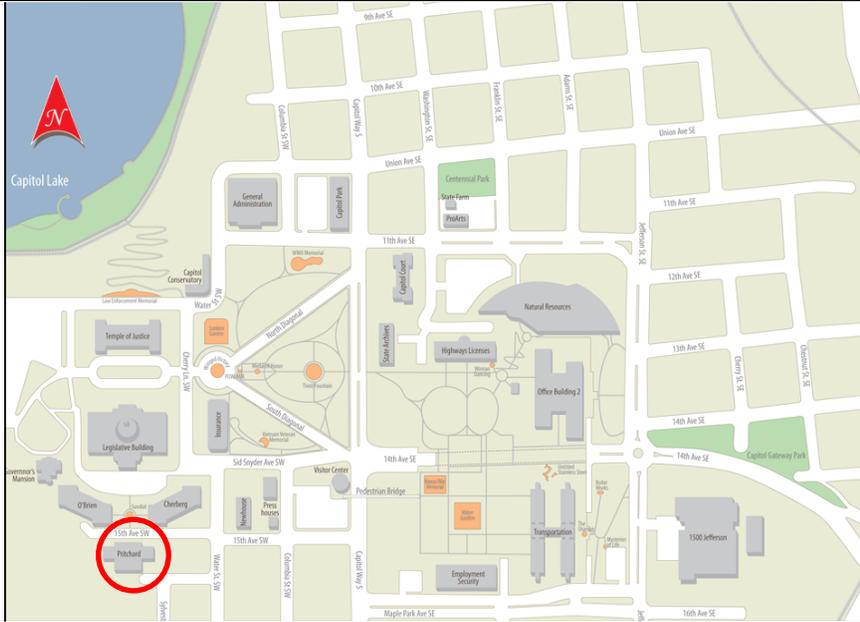


Building Name: Pritchard Building

Site location: West Capitol Campus	
Address: 415 15 th Ave SW	
Year constructed: 1957 - 58	
Original Cost: \$1,300,000	
Purchase date: 7/1/1959	
Year first occupied: January, 1959	
Year rehabilitated:	
Gross square footage: 55,485	
# of stories: 3	
Building use: Public/Office/Library Stack	
# of building occupants:	
Historic/Significance: Yes	
Parking lot/garage stalls: 14	
Repl. cost: Est. \$18 m	

The Pritchard Building was designed by architect Paul Thiry to house the State Library. Site selection for the building took two years and funding competed directly with the need for state agency headquarters space and construction of the General Administration building. The Library was the first capitol building to set aside a percent of construction funding for the purchase of works of art, and the thoughtful selections of works by Northwest artists that were made for the building are today the most valuable in the capitol's collection.

The Library function was relocated in 2001, following the Nisqually Earthquake. The building was used as swing space and housed the Legislative chambers during rehabilitation of the Legislative Building. The city no longer allows use of the upper "library stack" floors, which have limited exiting and non-compliant fire suppression systems. The building has been examined numerous times at conceptual and pre-design levels for rehabilitation as office space.