

OLD STATEHOUSE

Main Street at Central Row

Designed in 1792 by Charles Bulfinch and erected in 1793-1796, this is the first of the great New England architect's public buildings in his dignified Adamesque Federal style. The Hartford Convention of 1814, one of the earliest debates on the sovereignty of states versus national sovereignty, was held here. After a new state capitol was built, this became Hartford's city hall. It is now a museum.