

Cleveland Architects

Theodore Schmitt

Birth/Established: July 27, 1860 **Death/Dissolved:** February 2, 1935

Biography:

Theodore Schmitt was born in Cleveland. His German-born father had been a marshal and later superintendent of police from 1862 to 1892. This relationship probably helped secure commissions for the West Side Police Station, built in 1892, and the Central Police Station, built 1893. Theodore Schmitt was educated in the Cleveland public schools and later studied at Hannover and military school at Mannheim in Germany. He worked as an assistant in the office of George H. Smith from 1881 to 1884. He formed the partnership with Israel Lehman in 1885. He lived at 1841 East 82nd Street and had a country home, Eagle Cliff, on Lake Erie. He became active as a gas producer, selling his products to Standard Oil in the later years of his life. He continued working after Israel Lehman's death in 1914 until his own death in 1935.

Building List

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