

ANTONIN NECHODOMA.

ARCHITECT.

LA MARINA Y PASEO DE LA PRINCESA

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO.

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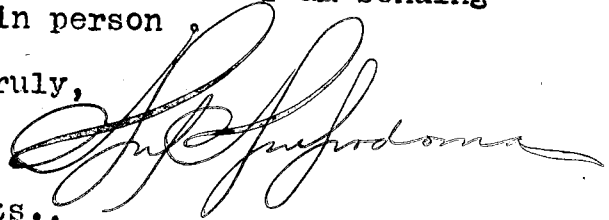
March 20th.09.

Dear Sir:

Upon request from Mr. D.E.Waid, with whom I have filed an application for Associate membership of "The American Institute of Architects, I am herewith sending you under separate cover some drawings and photographs of buildings.

You will of course understand that I am sending nothing but the work which I have done in person.

Yours very truly,



Mr. Glenn Brown,  
Secretary of the Am. Inst. of Architects.,  
"The Octagon,"  
Washington, D.C.

Exhibit used

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NEW YORK CHAPTER  
OF THE  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

NEW YORK April 27, 1909.

Glenn Brown, Esq.,  
Secretary, American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith an application for Associate Membership in the Institute signed by Antonin Nechodoma and endorsed by Mr. Frank E. Perkins, Mr. E. B. Homer and myself.

Mr. Nechodoma is a citizen of the United States who makes his home in San Juan, the capitol of Porto Rico, where he is practicing architecture. I made his acquaintance a few months ago when I visited Porto Rico. Mr. Nechodoma is an educated man and a gentleman of refinement. I had an opportunity to get well acquainted with him and to see his work. He impressed me as an exceptional man as to conscientiousness and adherence to professional ideals. His work will speak for itself as to matters of design, in photographs. While it may be criticised from an artistic standpoint, at the same time Mr. Nechodoma is so far in advance of all other architects residing in Porto Rico and is so conscientious in matters of construction and all other phases of the honorable practice of his profession, that I believe he would make a valuable member of the Institute and become even more strongly than he is at present a new center to radiate the influence of the Institute.

Hoping that Mr. Nechodoma's name may receive the favorable consideration of the Directors, I remain

Sincerely yours,

*D. Everett Waid*

P. S. I enclose herewith Mr. Nechodoma's check for \$5.00. Photographs of his executed work are being sent you under separate cover.

FRANK E. PERKINS,  
ARCHITECT,  
St. James Building, 1133 Broadway,  
Corner 26th Street.  
Cable address, "PERKINZO," New York or San Juan.

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NEW YORK, April 28th, 1909.

Glenn Brown, Esq.,

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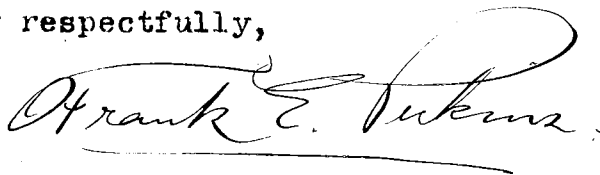
The Octagon,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by Mr.  
D. E. Waid to second the nomination of  
Mr. Nechodoma, of San Juan, P. R., for  
election to associate membership of the  
American Institute of Architects. I have  
cheerfully done so as I believe Mr.  
Nechodoma would prove a desirable member,  
and I have seen some excellent work which  
he has done in Porto Rico, chiefly  
residences. Mr. Nechodoma has a very good  
reputation there and I understand from  
him that he came originally from one of the  
central of our United States.

Very respectfully,

  
Frank E. Perkins

JOHN HULLA  
ARCHITECT  
204 DEARBORN STREET  
CHICAGO

TELEPHONE RANDOLPH 1178

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Answered

May 20 1909.

Mr. Glenn Brown,  
Washington, D.C.

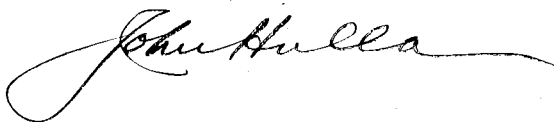
Dear Sir,-

Among the names to come before the Board for action as to their admission to the A.I.A. appears that of Ant. Nechodoma, of San Juan, Porto Rico.

This party was at the head of the "Modern Construction Co." which operated in this city about 5 years ago as a contracting firm and I have heard that the methods pursued in the transaction of the business were questionable. The concern failed and Nechodoma left suddenly being later heard from at Jacksonville Fla. However it would be better to have a report on this matter from some Commercial Agency.

Aside from the above from observations I have made it would be better for the Institute to return the application, as I think the party is neither worthy nor desirable as a member of the Institute.

Yours truly,



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EDGAR V. SEELER, ARCHITECT  
REAL ESTATE TRUST BUILDING  
PHILADELPHIA

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*Ref - Antonin Nechodoma*

June 16, 1909.

*application to  
herewith*

*Nechodoma*

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MR. GLENN BROWN, Secretary

The American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The Committee on Examinations and Admissions would request you to bring to the special attention of the Board of Directors at its next meeting, the application for associate membership and the exhibit of Mr. Antonin Nechodoma of San Juan, Porto Rico, as the Committee finds it difficult to approve the exhibit, yet believes that the letters of recommendation accompanying the application warrant the consideration of the Board of Directors as above requested.

Yours very truly,

*E. Seeler*

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[Archivist's note: The AIA Board considered this application at its September 1909 meeting, and referred it back to the Committee on Examinations and Admissions. The application was approved without comment at the Board's June 1910 meeting.]

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Attention of Mr. Kemper

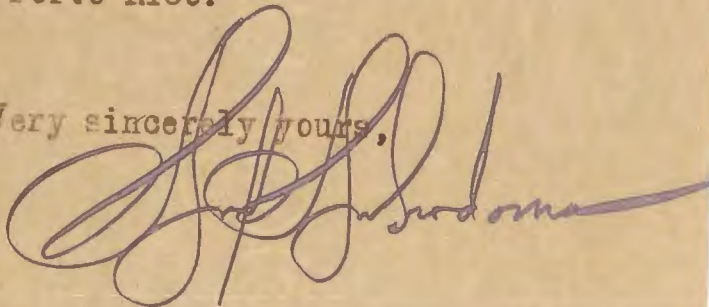
Dear Sir:-

The additional information blank which was sent to me from your office has been lost, but I take this opportunity of stating that I have known Mr. Carmoega for many years. He is a man of high ideals, and fully worthy to be elected to the membership of the Institute.

I am sending to you by this mail parcel post package of drawings and photographs of the work he has done as a government architect here in Porto Rico.

I wish to remain,

Very sincerely yours,



November 24th,  
1926.





FROM ARCHITECT,

ANTONIN NECHODOMA

SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.

November 30, 1926.

Dear Mr. Nechodoma:-

We have your letter of the 24th, and are pleased to advise that Mr. Rafael Carmoega qualifies today as a full fledged Institute Member. We are so advising him in the same mail.

We also received today the exhibits which you sent forward for Mr. Carmoega. However, as he is a Graduate of Cornell University he was exempt from the submission of the routine exhibits. These will be returned to you in the next few days.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Antonin Nechodoma,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 8, 1927.

Dear Mr. Nechodoma:-

Under date of November 30, we wrote that Mr. Rafael Carmoega would qualify as a full fledged Institute Member on that date.

We regret to advise that that statement was an error and that Mr. Carmoega's application, along with many others, is pending before the New York Chapter. Therefore, it would be proper for him to address the Assistant Secretary of the New York Chapter, Miss Emma Riedel, 19 West 44th Street, New York City, concerning the disposition of his application. After his application has been formally passed upon by the Chapter we will then be in a position to advise him concerning the action taken on his application by the Institute.

You no doubt advised Mr. Carmoega of the contents of our letter of November 30, but he has never received any notice from this office concerning final action on his application, though we stated he would be so notified in our letter of November 30 to you.

Trusting you will pardon our error in this matter, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Antonin Nechodoma,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

K:VB

P. S. We are sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Carmoega in order that he may be fully advised and in the thought that he will perhaps wish to get in touch with the Chapter concerning the disposition of his application.

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FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER  
Copy to Mr. Carmoega.

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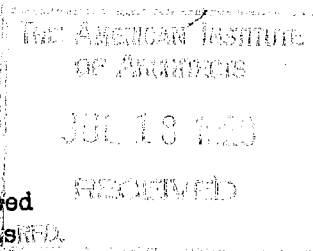
## Inter-Office Communication

Subject Mr. Nechodoma.

From Mr. Waid.

To Mr. Kemper.

Date July 18/28



Dear Mr. Kemper:

Perhaps the Institute has announced the death of Mr. Nechodoma, but, if so, it happens that I do not know of the fact and hence the letter received from the medical head of my hospital in San Juan, which letter I enclose herewith.

Sincerely yours,

*D. Waid*

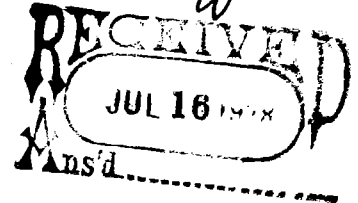
Enclosure.

Presbyterian Hospital  
San Juan, Porto Rico  
Conducted by  
The Board of National Missions  
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Jennie Ordway, Superintendent

Wm. R. Galbreath, M.D., Medical Director

July 12, 1928



Mr. D. Everett Waid,  
1 Madison Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Waid:

Your letter of June 29th asking about the death of Mr. Nechodoma received. I am sorry to say that your information is true. Mr. Nechodoma was the victim of an automobile accident which occurred April 15th, 1928. He was brought into the hospital shortly after the accident and died about four hours later. Of course it was a shock to all of us but his injuries were so serious that nothing could be done.

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Waid,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Wm. R. Galbreath*

# American Institute of Architects

## Inter-Office Communication

Subject

From

To

Date

E. C. K.

Mr. Waid

7-25-28

*Mr. Waid please note  
noted*

Dear Mr. Waid:-

I Responding to yours of the 18th, we had no notice concerning the death of Mr. Nechodoma. Therefore, no obituary notice has appeared in the Journal.

Can you suggest some one in San Juan whom we might ask for suitable material for publication?

Sincerely yours,

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# American Institute of Architects

## Inter-Office Communication

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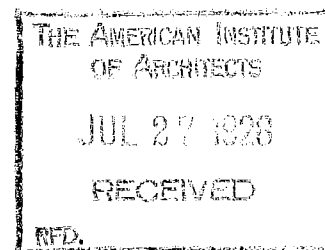
July 26, 1928.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Responding to yours of the 25th instant, I suggest that you write to Mr. Rafael Carmoega and also another architect if we have, as I supposed, more than two members in San Juan. They knew Mr. Nechodoma and would be, I am sure, quite willing to secure and forward such biographical material as you need for satisfactory obituary notice in order to honor the memory of Mr. Nechodoma whose work is well known in Porto Rico.

Sincerely yours,

*L. Ellward*



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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

July 28, 1928

My dear Mr. Carmoega:

The American Institute of Architects learned, with deep regret, of the death of Mr. Antonin Nechodoma, one of its members in San Juan.

We are writing to you as our other member in San Juan to ask if you cannot obtain for us some brief obituary notice for publication in The Journal? It should cover, briefly, Mr. Nechodoma's professional work and his life.

If you cannot obtain this data conveniently, will you not turn this request over to someone who was associated with him, and greatly oblige

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Rafael Carmoega,  
Carrion's Court,  
San Juan, Porto Rico.

K/FHG