

Nelson, Silas E.
Washington State

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Application for Membership

June 17, 1929

To the Secretary of The American Institute of Architects.

I hereby apply for Membership in The American Institute of Architects, and certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Silas E Nelson (SILAS E NELSEN)

Address 905 COMMERCE TACOMA, WASHINGTON

Place and date of birth STOTEN, WIS. 1894

Graduate in architecture
[Give name of institution and year. Diploma or Certificate of graduation (or photostatic copy) must accompany this application]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture
[If required in your case, attach evidence (or photostatic copy.)]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecolé des Beaux Arts
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate (or photostatic copy.)]

If your State has a Registration or License Law and you are not registered, state reasons.

If practicing architect, firm name SILAS E. NELSEN

Have been in practice 6 years. If draughtsman, employed by ✓

Collegiate and office training 12 YEARS.

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the circular of advice relative to "Principles of Professional Practice," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in The American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of The American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

(1) Silas E Nelson
[Signature of Applicant.]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date (2)
[Insert date of election to chapter.] [Signature of the Secretary of the chapter.]

If the applicant is not an Associate, the following acknowledgment must be signed:

Without endorsement I hereby take note on behalf of my chapter that this applicant is applying for Institute membership (3)
[Signature of President or Secretary of Chapter to which the applicant will be assigned if elected.]

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement by the applicant and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

Registration or License Number. (4) Richard E. Fisher

(Essential if Registered) (5) Herbert A. Bazz

It is not mandatory that applicants from Registration or License law states be registered or licensed. But the current number of Registration or License must appear here if the applicant is registered or licensed. (6) Ernest J. Mock

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required even if the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the applicant proposed, and in which there were no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

(7) L-41
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

July 19, 1929

Dear Mr. Nelson:

Permit me to acknowledge with gratification, and on behalf of the Secretary, your application for membership in The American Institute of Architects, received by reference from the Secretary of the Washington State Chapter.

Your application appears to be complete in every respect, except for the submission of exhibits of executed work consisting of working drawings and photographs of two executed buildings. These exhibits may be taken from the office files and need not be specially prepared. They are returned in due course.

There will be a meeting of the Institute Executive Committee in early September, and we trust that you will find it possible to take care of this item in the near future, in order that your application may be acted upon by the Board of Examiners, first, and then by the Executive Committee, in September.

We acknowledge, with thanks, the payment of \$50.00 covering the Initiation Fee and first year's Annual Dues, which will be applied to the first twelve months following the date of election.

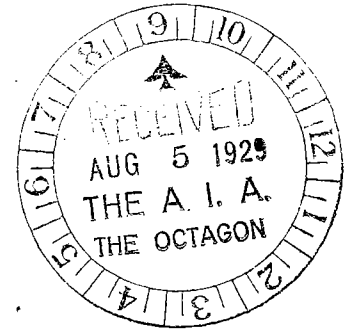
Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Silas E. Nelson,
905 Commerce Street,
Tacoma, Wash.

K/FHG

SILAS E. NELSEN
ARCHITECT
1113 1/2 "A" STREET
TELEPHONE MAIN 2615
TACOMA, WASH.



July 31, 1929

Mr. E. C. Kemper
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover I am sending some photographs of executed work consisting of an exterior and interior view of the Anna E. McCormick Branch Library, Tacoma, Washington, an exterior view and two interior views of my own residence and an exterior and two interior views of the Riviera Theater building. I am also mailing plans of these buildings.

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8-5-29
8-6-29*

I want to apologize for the condition of the plans. The photographs were taken before the buildings were actually completed and before shubbery had a chance to grow, but I hope they will be found satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

Silas E. Nelsen
Silas E. Nelsen, Architect

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

August 12, 1929

Dear Mr. Nelson:

We duly received your letter of July 31st, with regard to the exhibits which you have mailed to The Octagon, for consideration in connection with your application for Institute Membership.

These exhibits have been received safely, and we are now in a position to put your application forward for consideration by the Board of Examiners at its next meeting.

We are sure that the photographs will prove satisfactory, as the main point of determination is the service rendered by the architect to his clients.

We shall be glad to notify you, in due course, of the action taken.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Silas E. Nelson,
905 Commerce Street,
Tacoma, Wash.

K/FRG

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

October 3, 1929

Dear Mr. Nelsen:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective October 3, 1929.

You have been assigned to the Washington State Chapter as an Institute Member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so advised.

A Membership Card is enclosed herewith.

An engrossed Certificate of Membership in The American Institute of Architects will be sent to you in care of the Chapter in due course.

May I take this opportunity to say that the office of the Secretary at The Octagon is for the service of every Institute Member? Should the occasion arise we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Cordially yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Silas E. Nelsen,
905 Commerce Street,
Tacoma, Wash.

K/FHG
Enc.

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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COPY

August 9, 1935

Dear Mr. Nelson:

At the May, 1935, meeting of the Executive Committee your membership in The American Institute of Architects and the Washington State Chapter was discontinued for the non-payment of Chapter dues, effective May 20, 1935.

The Secretary of the Chapter has been so advised.

It is hoped that when it is possible for you to do so, you will apply for reinstatement to membership in your professional society. The procedure is quite simple, as outlined in the attached excerpt from the By-laws.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

K/A

Enc.

Mr. Silas E. Nelson,
905 Commerce Street,
Tacoma, Washington.



Dated Undated 19 .
Received April 25, 19 49
Granted July 20, 19 49

MEMBERSHIP NO 6917

In due order
July 12, 1949
J.H. Pearson

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
READMISSION TO
APPLICATION FOR/MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant... Silas E. NelsenChapter Washington State
- B Address of applicant.. 405 South Sheridan Street, Tacoma 2, Washington.....
- C Applicant proposed by. John G. Richards.....and... Charles Pearson.....
- D Application received with check for \$ 30.00.....on..... June 15, 19 49.
- E Application returned for correction Owes past dues of \$47.50 and... 19 .
- F Application in due order on \$30. for first year and admission fee(Past dues to be remitted)..... July 12, 19 49
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent (Wash.) May 2, 1949. Received. May 16, 19 49
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on..... 19..., on 19 .
 - (b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on..... 19..., on 19 .
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on..... May 3, 19 49.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~or that application be denied~~ received on..... April 25, 19 49
- J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... July 12, 19 49.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... July 12, 19 49.
- M Applicant was admitted on..... July 20, 19 49.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter to proposers on..... July 20, 19 49.
- O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$..... returned to applicant on..... 19 .

RE-
CERTIFICATION OF/ELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT

I, Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, hereby certify that, under authority vested in me by The Board of Directors, I have this day duly elected

Silas E. Nelsen

to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the Washington State Chapter.

Date July 20, 19 49

Secretary
(a)

INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.

Mail this original and check for \$10.00 to The Secretary, The American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

File the duplicate, on yellow paper, with the secretary of the local Chapter of The Institute.



The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

I, the undersigned, do hereby apply for corporate membership in The American Institute of Architects.

1. My full name is SILAS E. NELSEN

2. I am a citizen of U.S.A.

3. My legal residence is in the City of TACOMA, (6) County of PIERCE State of WASHINGTON

4. My address in The Institute records will be

Number 405 Street SHERIDAN City TACOMA (2) State WASH.

5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as ARCHITECT.

6. I desire to be a member of the SEATTLE Chapter.

7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws and the Principles of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and the Rules and Regulations supplementary thereto, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of a member of The Institute.

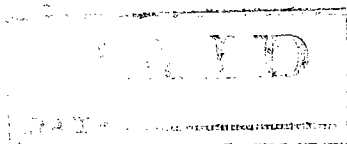
8. I have filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the Chapter above named. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its component organizations.

9. I enclose my check for \$10.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues. It is my understanding that if I am not admitted to membership \$5.00 will be returned to me, and \$5.00 retained by The Institute as an examination fee.

Date 19

Signature of Silas E. Nelsen

Applicant sign full name in ink



Term for non-paid Chapter dues 3/20/35 - 1931-33 - 20 - 1934 - 1/2 1935 - 22.50 47.50 (Wash State)

2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

4. State whether residence or office address.

5. State whether as a practicing architect, a teacher, a public official, etc.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

14. I list below, in chronological order, the periods during which and the states in which I have practiced architecture as an individual or as a member of a firm or corporation or as a public official or have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith. (State names of firms or corporations or public office and of schools or colleges).

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

15. I list below other business in which I participate or own an interest, and the extent of such participation or interest.

NONE.

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 16. Member of Institute from 26 to 32 ?
- 17. Junior of Institute from to
- 18. Associate of Chapter from to
- 19. Junior Associate of Chapter from to
- 20. Student Associate of Chapter from to
- 21. Member of State Organization in from to

ENDORSEMENT BY PROPOSERS

(The two proposers must be corporate members of The Institute in good standing.)

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have read the statements made hereinabove by the applicant and believe them to be correct. I vouch for his honorable standing in this community and in his profession, and I believe he is fully qualified for membership and I propose him therefor.

I have known the applicant for 10 years. I have known the applicant for 15 years.

Signed John G. Richards

Signed Garle J. Pearson

Proposer Tacoma Bldg. Tacoma, Wash. Address

Proposer Tacoma Bldg. Tacoma W2 Address



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1949 MAY 16 PM 2:28
WASHINGTON, D. C.

No AP

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Silas E. Nelsen, Tacoma, Wash.
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Olympia, Wash.
Address

Dear Sir:

The above named applicant for membership in The American Institute of Architects is an architect practicing in your state.

To qualify for such membership, an applicant, if resident in a state having registration or licensing laws for architects, must be registered or licensed by the state to practice architecture therein.

Will you please answer the following questions relating to the applicant's registration, to assist The Institute in determining his eligibility for membership? A duplicate of the form is enclosed for your files.

Date May 2 1949

[Handwritten Signature]
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state?..... Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination?..... Yes..... or by exemption?.....
3. What was the scope of the examination?.....
4. What was the period of the examination?..... days. Written examination..... hours; Oral examination..... hours.
5. When examined, did applicant have a certificate from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards? No..... If so, give Certificate No.
6. Date of first registration..... Dec. 29 19 24. Registration No. L-41 Is it current?..... Yes

[Handwritten Signature]
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date May 12 1949

Washington Dept. of Licenses
(Name of Board)

*Member
Nelson, Silas E.*



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

April 21, 1954

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Effective Date - March 6, 1954

TO: *Transferred Member:* Mr. Silas E. Nelsen, A.I.A.
405 South Sheridan Street
Tacoma 6, Washington

*Secretary of Chapter
To Which Member is
Transferred* Mr. Gordon N. Johnston, Secretary
Southwest Washington Chapter, A.I.A.
1213 Washington Building
Tacoma, Washington

*Secretary of Chapter
From Which Member
Is Transferred* Mr. Wendell H. Lovett, Secretary
Washington State Chapter, A.I.A.
409 Central Building
Seattle 4, Washington

In accordance with Chapter II, Article 1, Section 7 of the By-laws of The Institute this will advise that the above-named corporate member has been transferred as indicated, and as a Charter Member.

Sincerely yours,

George Bain Cummings
SECRETARY



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Application for Membership Emeritus

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in the Institute for the following reasons:

Check the appropriate reason

I am more than 70 years of age. 77

I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in architecture.

I am unable to engage in architecture.

I have been in good standing in the Institute and the WASH. SOUTHWEST chapter for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Date 3/29 1971

[Handwritten Signature]
(APPLICANT'S FULL SIGNATURE IN INK)

The applicant may supplement the above reasons in writing below or on sheets which he shall attach to this application. Under exceptional conditions and circumstances, the Board of Directors may lessen the period of good standing but not the requirements as checked above.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON CHAPTER

MAY 10 1971

Handwritten signature

11/11

5 May 1971

Board of Directors
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the Application for
Membership Emeritus of Silas E. Nelsen. It
has been reviewed by the Executive Board of
this Chapter and is hereby recommended for
acceptance.

Sincerely,

Ron G. Rowe
Ron G. Rowe, AIA
Chapter Secretary

RGR:jp
Enc: application

1949

73 South Sound Center, Lacey, Wa. 98501

MAY 11 1971



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

RECORD AND SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION FOR

Membership Emeritus Election

To The Secretary and
The Committee on Membership
The American Institute of Architects

Name of Member: Silas E. Nelsen Chapter Assignment: Southwest Washington
Corporate Membership Record: State Organization Assignment: Washington State Council
Elected: 1949
Dues Status—National: paid 1970
Dues Status — Component(s): in good standing
Age: 77

Recommendation: See attached record.

Suggested Effective Date: January 1, 1971

May 11, 1971

DATE

MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION OF THE SECRETARY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

On the basis of the information provided above, and related data attached, and in accordance with the Bylaws and rules of The Institute, as the Chairman of the Committee on Membership and the Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, I hereby declare that I have this day elected Silas E. Nelsen a Member Emeritus.

Effective: January 1, 1971

May 11, 1971

DATE

SECRETARY

EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



PLEASE PAY DUES BY NOV 30

Prompt Payment Saves Institute Money

MEMBER INFORMATION

Please make changes to name, firm name, address and telephone number when necessary. All mailings will be sent to preprinted address unless corrections are noted.

Membership Number: **005605605**

**S E NELSEN AIA
9025 HARBORVIEW DR N
GIG HARBOR, WA 98335**

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DECEASED
SEPT. 27, 1987*

Name _____
 Organization _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone _____

(000) 000-0000

PLEASE INDICATE IF ADDRESS ABOVE IS YOUR
 HOME OR BUSINESS ADDRESS

Please send me information on chapter transfer. Date of Birth 7/18/1894

PRACTICE INFORMATION

Instructions: Please indicate your primary professional field of employment by checking only one category. Indicate in which state(s) you are registered.

YOUR TITLE IS:
 (PLEASE BE SPECIFIC)

If a practicing architect:

- a. In what states are you registered?

- b. In what size firm do you work?
 (Number of principals and all full-time staff at all offices, if more than one).

- CHECK ONE
- 1 Architectural, Architectural-Engineering Firm or Architect or Architect-Engineer in Private Practice.
 - 2 Consulting Engineering Firm or Engineer in Private Practice
 - 3 Design Firm: a. Architectural (not headed by Registered Architects)
 b. Interior c. Landscape d. Other
 - 4 Contractor or Builder
 - 5 Government
 - 6 Commercial/Industrial/Institutional: including manufacturers, stores, hotels, restaurants, transportation companies, utilities, institutions, hospitals, churches, banks, savings & loans, mortgage companies, realty companies, developers, insurance companies and shopping centers.
 - 7 University, College or School a. Academic Personnel or Library b. Student
 - 8 Public Library Professional Club, Society or Trade Association
 - 9 Other (please specify)

NOTE: Annual Dues include the cost of ARCHITECTURE including ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY (\$30)

NATIONAL AIA DUES STATEMENT

(Your state and local dues will be billed separately)

MEMBERSHIP DUES

COMPLETE BOX 1 or 2 BELOW

- I do not wish to receive AIA periodicals and other mailings.
- 1 Please maintain my AIA membership in good standing.
 (No payment is required)
- I wish to receive all AIA periodicals and other mailings.
- 2 My payment is enclosed.

\$ 40

CREDITS

Our records show an overpayment of your 1987 dues. Subtract this amount.

Less Credit \$ _____

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SCHOLARSHIPS - Any contribution is voluntary and qualifies for tax deduction.

\$ 7

PUBLIC OUTREACH PROGRAMS - Any contribution is voluntary and qualifies for tax deduction.

\$ 20

Thank You

TOTAL PAYMENT

\$ _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
 Check here if you want your name removed from mailing lists distributed by the AIA.

IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT YOUR DUES INVOICE, CALL THE INSTITUTE AT (202) 626-7528

Thank you for your payment. A pre-addressed envelope which is addressed to the Accounting offices of our bank is included for your convenience. If you have any problems or questions, please address your correspondence to:

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