

Dated December 8, 19 44.  
Received January 17, 19 45.  
Granted February 14, 19 45.

MEMBERSHIP NO 3158

THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
FEB 13 PM 2:30  
WASHINGTON, D. C.



*In due order  
January 22, 1945  
H. J. Ryan*

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant Charles Wheeler Nicol Chapter Chicago
- B Address of applicant 23 East Jackson Blvd., Chicago (4), Illinois
- C Applicant proposed by William J. Ryan and E. E. MacBride
- D Application received with check for \$ 10.00 on January 17, 19 45
- E Application returned for correction 19 .
- F Application in due order on January 22, 19 45
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent (Ill.) Jan. 22, 1945 Received February 2, 19 45  
(Wis.) Jan. 22, 1945 " January 29, 1945  
(Mich.) Jan. 22, 1945 " January 29, 1945
- 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 January 22, 19 45.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~to the applicant~~ received on January 17, 19 45
- J No report from chapter executive committee on 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on February 6, 19 45.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on February 6, 19 45.
- M Applicant was admitted on February 14 19 45.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter to proposers on February 14 19 45
- O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$ returned to applicant on 19 .

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

Charles Wheeler Nicol

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

Date February 14, 19 45.

*Alexander C. Coleman*  
Secretary

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
1945 JAN 17 AM 10:07  
WASHINGTON, D. C.



ORIGINAL

File this original with The Secretary of The American Institute of Architects.

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

The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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

1. My full name is Charles Wheeler Nicol .

2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

2. I am a natural citizen of The United States of America .

3. My legal residence is in the City of Oak Park, Illinois. ,

County of Cook State of Illinois .

4. State whether residence or office address.

4. My address in The Institute records will be

Number 23 Street East Jackson Boulevard,

City Chicago, Ill., State Illinois

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

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

6. I desire to be a member of the Chicago, Illinois Chapter.

7. I declare that I have read the by-laws and the Principles of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities and obligations thereunder of a member of The Institute, and I do hereby agree and declare that, if admitted to membership, I will to the best of my ability abide by and comply with such by-laws and Principles of Professional Practice.

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 chapters or state association members.

9. I enclose my check for \$10.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues. It is my understanding that if for any reason I am not admitted to membership all of said amount will be returned to me, except five dollars which The Institute will retain as an examination fee.

Date December 8, 1944.

*Charles Wheeler Nicol*  
Applicant sign full name in ink

PAID  
DATE 10/18/45

1.

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10. Date of birth November 5, 1888 Place of birth Cincinnati, Ohio

11. I am registered or licensed to practice architecture in the following named states:

(State or States) By Examination

(State or States) By Exemption

Wisconsin  
Michigan

Illinois

(a) I hold a Certificate No. .... of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

### EDUCATION

12. I attended the following named schools (high school, private school, college or university); have held the following named scholarships; have travelled in the following named countries:

Rockford, Illinois High School  
Peoria, " " "  
West LaFayette, Indiana High School,  
Purdue University  
University of Illinois

### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

13. I list below, in chronological order, the periods of my training as draftsman, the names and addresses of my principal employers, and my classification as draftsman while employed by each:

First and only employer:

Herman J. Stroeh, Architect,  
Kansas City, Missouri (deceased)  
for whom I worked as draftsman three months of each year  
from completion of grammar school, through high school,  
and University, a period covering eight years. In 1913 I opened  
my own office for practice of Architecture and have maintained  
such practice continuously to present time.  
Have been architect for buildings having a gross value of more  
than \$100,000,000.00.

Scope of work includes:

46 industrial buildings, power plants, warehouses and public garages.  
8 hospitals and sanitarium.  
38 banks and office buildings.  
75 university and public school buildings (including 14 buildings  
on Purdue University Campus.)  
131 hotels and apartment buildings.  
12 clubs and lodge buildings.  
22 theatres and churches  
19 other miscellaneous types of buildings of fireproof construction.  
125 residential buildings and fraternity houses.  
96 miscellaneous remodelling jobs.  
1312 family units of war housing.  
1884 Total Number.

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).

1913-1925 Indiana  
1925-1944 Illinois  
Practicing as the head of my own firm.

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 15. Member of Institute from to
16. Junior of Institute from to
17. Associate of Chapter from to
18. Junior Associate of Chapter from to
19. Member of State Association in from to

Member Architects Club of Chicago from 1933 to present.
Vice President in 1935. President - 1936-1937-1938-1939.

ENDORSEMENT BY PROPOSERS

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

I have known the applicant for 11 years. I have known the applicant for 10 years.

Signed William J. Ryan Signed William J. Ryan
Proposer Proposer

43 E. Ohio St
Address

43 E. Ohio St.
Address

Chicago Ill

Note: The two proposers must be corporate members of The Institute in good standing.

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INSTITUTE CHARTER  
1872



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1890

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CHICAGO CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

January 13, 1945

1945 JAN 17 AM 10:07  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary  
The American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Enclosed herewith is the applica-  
tion of Charles W. Nicol, 23 E. Jackson Blvd.,  
Chicago 4, Illinois, for Corporate membership  
in The American Institute of Architects.

This application has received the  
favorable recommendation of the Chapter and is  
accompanied by an application check in the  
amount of \$10.00.

Yours very truly,

Norman J. Schlossman, Secretary  
Chicago Chapter, A. I. A.

NJS/P

THE AMERICAN  
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1945 JAN 29 AM 9:42

WASHINGTON, D. C.



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Charles Wheeler Nicol, Chicago (4), Illinois  
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,  
Detroit, Michigan  
*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 January 22, 1945

Alexander C. Robinson III  
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination?.....or by exemption? reciprocity from Wisconsin and Indiana
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?  
..... If so, give Certificate No.....
6. Date of last registration March 12 1924 Registration No. 1352 Is it current? No (failed to renew Jan. 1, 1935)

Watts Shively  
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Michigan State Board of Registration for  
Architects, Professional Engineers and  
Land Surveyors. (Name of Board)

Date Jan. 26 1945

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Charles Wheeler Nicol, Chicago (4), Illinois

(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,

Madison, Wisconsin

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 January 22, 1945

Alexander C. Robinson, III  
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? He was
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? X or by exemption?
3. What was the scope of the examination? Examination of Exhibits and personal appearance
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?  
Yes If so, give Certificate No. 144
6. Date of last registration Oct. 26, 1923. Registration No. No number Is it current? No

Registration not renewed in 1932 - will have to make complete new application for re-registration.

Josephine V. Hughes  
Act. Sec. (Signature of Secretary of Board)

Wisconsin Registration Board of Architects  
and Professional Engineers.

Date Jan. 27 1945

(Name of Board)

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1945 FEB -2 AM 9:29

WASHINGTON, D. C.



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

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Charles Wheeler Nicol, Chicago (4), Illinois  
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,  
Springfield, Illinois  
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 January 22, 19 45 Alexander C. Robinson II  
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination?.....or by exemption?.....
3. What was the scope of the examination? Reciprocity through N.C.A.R. Boards based on his Wisconsin Registration
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? Yes If so, give Certificate No. 144
6. Date of last registration Mar. 4 19 24 Registration No. 1911 Is it current? Yes

Philip M. Harman  
Superintendent of Registration & Education (Architects' Div.)  
(Name of Board)

Date Jan. 30, 19 45

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Received Oct. 31, 1957

Voted On March 26, 1958

Voted On Mar. 26, 1959

Voted On 19 .

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
JURY OF FELLOWS

NOT Granted 2/11/ 196-  
(Deceased)  
NO M

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

1. Name of Nominee Charles Wheeler Nicol Date of Nomination Oct. 29, 1957
2. Address of Nominee 23 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago 4, Illinois
3. Nominee's firm Nicol and Nicol
4. Nominee's principal place of business Illinois
5. Nominee's Chapter Chicago
6. Nominee's State Organization Architects Association of Illinois
7. Nominee admitted to Institute 1945
8. Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from 1945 19 to Dec. 31, 1957
9. Nominee's age 69 yrs. Birthplace Cincinnati, Ohio
10. Nominators: ✓ John O. Merrill, F.A.I.A. → Richard M. Bennett, F.A.I.A. ✓  
 ✓ Howard L. Cheney, F.A.I.A. → Norman J. Schlossman, F.A.I.A. ✓  
 ✓ Bertram A. Weber, F.A.I.A. → Jerold Loebel, F.A.I.A. ✓  
 ✓ John W. Root, F.A.I.A. → John R. Fugard, F.A.I.A. ✓

11. Achievement in Design and ~~Public Service~~

CHICAGO CHAPTER



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October 11, 1957

Mr. John O. Merrill  
Fellowship Committee  
Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Architects  
100 West Monroe Street  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Merrill:

The Board of Directors of the Chicago Chapter of American Institute of Architects in Executive Session October 8, 1957, approved the selection of Charles W. Nicol for nomination to Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

The Board wishes to express their gratitude to the Fellowship Committee for the excellent selection of prospective Fellows.

We presume that your Committee will forward its selection direct to the National Fellowship Committee

Sincerely yours,

John R. Fugard, Jr.  
President, Chicago Chapter  
American Institute of Architects

JRF, jr/jh  
cc: Howard Cheney  
cc: Bertram Weber  
cc: Ceil Garneau

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(Nominators leave blank)

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

BY

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

THE JURY OF FELLOWS, A.I.A.  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Date October 29 1957

Use typewriter  
except for signa-  
tures.

We hereby nominate **Charles Wheeler Nicol**  
member of The **Chicago** Chapter,  
for fellowship in The Institute for his notable contribution to the advancement of the profession by his  
achievements in \*design, \*the science of construction, \*architecture, \*education, \*service to The Institute,  
\*public service.

Type in full name  
of nominee.  
Type in name of  
Chapter.

\*Strike out all  
inappropriate  
words.

Evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship is appended.

\*\*Members' Signatures

Chapter of Signer

<i>John O'Merrill FAIA</i>	Chicago
<i>Harold L. Cheney FAIA</i>	Chicago
<i>Richard A. Weber FAIA</i>	Chicago
<i>John W. Post FAIA</i>	Chicago
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<i>Willard ... FAIA</i>	Chicago
<i>James R. ... FAIA</i>	Chicago
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\*\*The signatures  
of five fellows of  
the nominee's  
chapter or of state  
association mem-  
ber to which he  
belongs; or of  
any ten corporate  
members will con-  
stitute a nomi-  
nation. If you  
are a Fellow place  
the initials  
F.A.I.A. after  
your name.

THE NOMINATORS SHOULD SEE THAT LETTERS OR DATA ARE SENT TO THE JURY OF FELLOWS IN SUPPORT OF THIS NOMINATION.

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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

- 1. Nominee's full name Charles Wheeler Nicol
- 2. Nominee is a natural ~~naturalized~~ citizen of the United States of America
- 3. Nominee's legal residence 456 North Austin Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois
- 4. Nominee's firm name Nicol and Nicol
- 5. Nominee's principal place of business, address  
23 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago 4, Illinois

2. Strike out in-appropriate word and write in name of Country.

6. Type in "N.C. A. R. B." or name of State Board, as case may be.

7. Strike out in-appropriate words.

8. Type in date of birth and city and Country.

- 6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by NCARB #144

- 7. Nominee is engaged in practice of architecture as a practicing architect ~~teacher in architecture~~  
~~teacher in science of construction - public affairs center.~~

- 8. Born November 5, 1888 Place of birth Cincinnati, Ohio, USA

- 9. Nominee's schools, colleges and universities:

	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
High School	Peoria, Illinois	2		
Private School	W. LaFayette, Ind.	2	1908	
College or University	Purdue	4	1912	Civil Engineering
College or University	University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois	1		special courses in Architecture
Post Graduate at				
Scholarships held				

- 10. Other data concerning nominee's record.

Mr. Nicol worked in the office of Herman J. Stroeh, Architect, (Heidelberg and Harvard) in Kansas City, Missouri, for three months in each of six consecutive years (starting at the end of eighth grad, 1904 through 1909).

He started his own architectural practice in 1913, operating continuously from 1913 to 1925 in LaFayette, Indiana, and from 1925 to 1957 in Chicago, Illinois. During all of this period he has been the principal.

In June 1955, his son, Robert Scott Nicol (Cornell), was admitted to partnership. His practice has included 1255 projects having a total construction value to the present time of \$192,000,000. This work has

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## BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS (Continued)

### 10. Other data concerning nominee's record (Continued)

been performed in 154 cities and towns in 17 states.

To the present time the practice has included 140 school buildings (including Electrical Engineering Building at Purdue University, Theological Library Building, Science Building, Residence Hall for Man, Residence Hall for Women, and Physical Education Building at the University of Dubuque, fifteen High Schools in the Chicago Area, four complete Academies in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan for Seventh-day Adventists, and one hundred fifteen other schools in Illinois and Indiana); One hundred thirty-five hotel buildings (including Hotel Gary, Gary, Indiana Hotel LaSalle, South Bend, Indiana, Hotel Vincent, Benton Harbor, Michigan, Lincoln-Douglas Hotel, Quincy, Illinois, Avalon Hotel, Waukesha, Wisconsin, Richmond-Leland Hotel, Richmond, Indiana, Hotel Roberts, Muncie, Indiana, Four Flags Hotel, Niles, Michigan, Hotel Belden, Canton, Ohio, "Farcroft," Chicago, Windsor-Wilson, Chicago, and one hundred twenty-four other hotels in several states); fifty-nine industrial buildings; forty-one office buildings, banks, and commercial; fourteen lodge and club buildings (including Calhoun Beach Club, Minneapolis, Minnesota - Magney and Tusler, supervising associates, Masonic Temple, Michigan City, Indiana, Knights of Columbus Temple, South Bend Indiana, and eleven other lodge and club buildings); eight hospitals (including Indiana State Soldiers Home Hospital, Battleground, Indiana); fourteen churches; ten theatres; twelve fraternity, sorority chapter houses for several universities; six hundred sixty-seven private residences in several states; one hundred fifty-five miscellaneous buildings, such as Carnegie library buildings, Women's Art Building, Indianapolis, Indiana, National Guard armories, fire department stations, recreational centers, community buildings dairy barn for Indiana State tuberculosis farm, restaurants, baseball parks, etc.

His current work consists of 45 buildings having a total construction value of \$32,965,000, (including ten buildings for Chicago Housing Authority, of which seven are from nine to thirteen stories high, two university buildings, and thirty-two public and academy school buildings). Of this number, twenty-one are under construction (\$14,058,000.), and twenty-four are in process of preliminary sketches, working drawings, and taking bids on completed working drawings (\$18,907,000).

It is significant that on a job volume basis, 94% has been repeat work from previous clients, or from new clients who have been sent by previous clients.

Mr. Nicol's philosophy of architectural practice for him has been to limit his organization to a maximum personnel of thirty so that he could give his personal attention to all of the work. Since the admission of his son to partnership the personnel has expanded to fifty.

Throughout his practice, Mr. Nicol has conceived and developed all site planning and landscape planting, all interior decoration, except certain residential work, and, in the case of hotels, clubs, schools, and other public and semi-public buildings, has selected the floor coverings, draperies, furniture, linens, silverware, and

10. Other data concerning nominee's record (continued)

glassware, believing that all such work was a definite part of the design of a building.

The site planning has included (1923) the then future development of the Campus of Purdue University, the Prospect High School (1956) sixty acres, and other school and academies, several residential subdivisions, etc.

Nominators should read "Principles Underlying the Bestowal of Fellowships", Institute Document No. 9 before completing this nomination. Additional sheets may be inserted to supplement any page, 3 to 7, inclusive. Use typewriting only.

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

1. Works

Type (a) Commercial (b) Monumental (c) Domestic (d) Special	Identification of Work	Location of Work (City) (State)	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
(a)	Hotel Belden	Canton, Ohio	1937	
(d)	Glenbard East High School	Lombard, Illinois	*	
(a)	Roshek Building	Dubuque, Iowa	*	
(c)	John J. Roshek Residence	Dubuque, Iowa	1954	
(c)	Ralph R. Pinkerton Residence	Chicago, Illinois	1955	
(d)	Residence Hall for Women		1952	
	Lake Region Academy	Cassopolis, Michigan		
(d)	Prospect High School	Mt. Prospect, Illinois	1957	
(d)	Elmwood Park High School	Elmwood Park, Illinois	1956	
(d)	Stuart R. Paddock Elementary School	Palatine, Illinois	1955	
(d)	Bremen Community High School	Midlothian, Ill.	1953	
(d)	Woodstock High School	Woodstock, Illinois	1957	
(a)	Hotel Gary	Gary, Indiana	1927	
(d)	Community High School	Blue Island, Illinois	1950	
(c)	High-rise apartment buildings, Authority	Chicago Housing	*	
(d)	American Foundrymen's Society	Des Plaines, Ill.	1955	
(d)	Central Power Plant	Purdue University	1937	

Under column headed "Type" type in (a), (b), (c), or (d), as the case may be.

Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. Describe nominee's notable work in design, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

Mr. Nicol has shown a distinctive versatility in designing his buildings to solve the problems of his clients, thus producing a wide variety of good design, both in period and contemporary modern. One characteristic common to all of his designs has been the order, simplicity, and economy of the structural frame both in low and high-rise structures.

A splendid example is to be found in the design of the Bremen Community High School District No. 228, at Midlothian, Illinois.

\*Under Construction

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

1. CONSTRUCTION WORK

Type of Work Constructed	Identification of Work	Location of Work	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
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Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. BOOKS, TREATISES, OR ARTICLES WRITTEN

Subject Title	Where Published	Date Published
Editorial - "Confidence or The Lack"	Real Estate News, Chicago	Spring 1938 Repeated August 23, 1946
Editorial - "Chicago Building Congress Re-affirms its stand"	Real Estate News, Chicago	May 2, 1947
"Slum Clearance"	Chicago Daily Tribune	October 30, 1947

(Continued on attached sheet)

3. Describe nominee's notable work in the science of construction and any recognition thereof by other societies, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

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2. Books, Treatises, or Articles Written (Continued)

Paper - "Is the Construction  
Industry doing its job"

Chicago Building Congress,  
Chicago

1948

Article - "Hotel Construction"  
Hotel Bulletin  
Chicago, Illinois

August 14, 1928

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

1. EDUCATION WORK

(List the degrees and the educational positions held by the nominee, and bring out clearly the nominee's signal work and its particular force and influence which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by pupils, the profession, other societies, or the public.)

Such as, typically,

Addressed the senior class of Amundsen High School, Chicago, Illinois, on the subject of Architecture, in December 1940

Lectured on the subject of Architecture several times at Chicago Tech, Chicago, Illinois 1940; and

Served on juries of award for Chicago Architectural Sketch Club at competitions of the final Architectural Exhibits of the various High Schools of the City of Chicago, 1937, 1938 and 1939.

2. LITERARY WORK

(List the original written works of the nominee and state clearly the particular force and influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by other societies, the profession, educational institutions or the public.)

<i>Book, Treatise or Article</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Name of Book or Periodical Containing Work</i>	<i>Year Work Published</i>
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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

1. State fully the nominee's signal service to The Institute, his chapter, or his state organization, or to the profession, which the nominators believe has notably contributed to the advancement of the profession, and list the offices in architectural organizations occupied by the nominee and the period of each.

Mr. Nicol was appointed by the Chapter as delegate to the Architects Association of Illinois for a two-year term from 1950 to 1952.

Elected as Chapter delegate to AIA National Conventions in Los Angeles, Dallas, Salt Lake City, and Chicago.

Various Chapter committees such as Architects' Fees, the Practice of Architecture, Building Code amendments for Ware Housing in Chicago, Building Code seminar meetings sponsored by the Chicago Chapter, AIA, Western Society of Engineers, Building Construction Employers Association, and the Building Department of Chicago, low cost fireproof construction of "flop houses".

Participated in collaborative activities between the Chapter and the Producers Council.

Professional services also include:

The Architect's Club of Chicago was organized by Alfred Granger, AIA, et al and, through the Architects Club Realty Trust, purchased and occupied the W. W. Kimball mansion at 1801 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, immediately across the street from the John Glessner mansion. The principal purpose of the organization of the Architects Club and Realty Trust was to aid in preserving the fine neighborhood until the demise of Mr. Glessner, at which time the Glessner house (designed by Richardson) would, by bequest, become the property of the Chicago Chapter of the AIA.

The Architects Club provided the very desirable and necessary facilities for the cooperative use of several such organizations as the Chapter of Chicago, AIA, the Producers Council of Chicago, the Chicago Architectural Sketch Club, the Illinois Society of Architects, seminars of the profession and building industry, etc.

Mr. Nicol served as president of the Architects Club of Chicago four consecutive terms, namely, 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939 and, through his efforts made a notable contribution in behalf of the Chicago Chapter of the AIA.

See exhibit of testimonial attached.

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## NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE

1. List the public offices held by the nominee and the positions of trust held by him in recognition of civic leadership, and state clearly his notable work in public service and the particular influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession.

Mr. Nicol served as president of the Chicago Building Congress through two consecutive terms, namely, 1947 and 1948. As president he represented the Congress at a national convention of Building Congresses held in Washington, D. C., February 10-11, 1947. As president he contributed many articles, published in the Chicago papers, and in booklets published by the Congress which had a wide distribution internationally.

He served as chairman of a committee of three for the Illinois Society of Architects through 1936 and 1937 whose duty it was to make an exhaustive study and survey of all costs connected with moderate priced residential buildings, and presented the report thereof to members of the Society, the Chapter, and guests representative of all facets of the building industry in Chicago.

In May, 1944, at the request of the Honorable Arthur G. Lindell, Alderman, Mr. Nicol prepared a report on housing costs for presentation to the City Council of Chicago, covering three large public housing projects as well as single residential buildings.

For the fund raising campaign of the American Red Cross in 1950 Mr. Nicol served as chairman of the Architects' Group. During two previous Red Cross campaigns he served as Group Captain.

He served as Group Captain for the Community Fund in 1956.

Served as chairman of division for Architects, Engineers, and Interior Decorators for the Art Institute of Chicago fund raising campaign.

Delivered an address to members and guests of the Chicago Building Congress at the Hotel LaSalle March 18, 1948.

Addressed the Producers Council Club of Chicago on the subject "Why is an Architect" April 24, 1934.

Mr. Nicol was the principal speaker, on Architecture, at the First Annual Convention of the Structural Clay Products, Inc., at the French Lick Springs Hotel, French Lick, Indiana, November 11, 1936.

Addressed the North Central Kiwanis Club at the Drake Hotel May 15, 1934, on the subject "Practical Application of Architecture in Business".

(Continued on attached sheet)

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE (Continued)

Addressed the Springfield Art Association at Springfield, Illinois, on September 20, 1932, on the subject of the Architecture of the Century of Progress International Exposition, Chicago 1933.

Mr. Nicol addressed the winter meeting of the Association of Suburban Conferences January 20, 1954, in the Palmer House, Chicago, Illinois, on the subject "Constructing School Buildings that are completely Functional but at low cost".

He addressed statewide conference on "Economies in School Construction" at a collaboration of the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce and the Illinois Association of School Boards on May 23, 1957, at the Congress Hotel, Chicago. The subject of his address was "Transmitting Needs into Preliminary Building Design".

He was discussion leader on panel to consider the topic "Will our School Building Needs be Met at Present Costs - - - or Won't They?" conducted by the Tri County Division of the Illinois Association of School Boards, February 11, 1954, at the Hotel Morrison, Chicago.

Address by Mr. Nicol on the subject "High School and Elementary School Construction Costs can be lowered" on October 21, 1954, at the Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, at a clinic on "Reducing Costs in School Construction without jeopardizing the Curriculum" under the auspices of Noble J. Puffer, Cook County Superintendent of Schools.

On August 19, 1953, at Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Illinois, there was held a conference on "Intergrated Building Design and Construction", and as chairman of the meeting, Mr. Nicol addressed the audience on the subject "The Elementary School - What and How".

April 4, 1958

Mr. John R. Fugard, Jr., President  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.  
221 North La Salle Street  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Fugard: Report of Action of The Jury of Fellows  
Re: Nominations of Members of Your Chapter

The Jury of Fellows has requested me to advise you of the following action it has taken on nominations before it of corporate members who were considered for advancement to Fellowship:

Nominations Referred to 1959 Meeting of Jury:

Charles H. Dornbusch	-	Chicago, Illinois
Samuel A. Lichtmann	-	Chicago, Illinois
Harold Batchelder McEldowney	-	Chicago, Illinois
Charles Wheeler Nicol	-	Chicago, Illinois

Sincerely yours,

Edmund R. Purves, F.A.I.A.  
Executive Director

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June 3, 1959

The Jury of Fellows  
American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I have been informed by the Chicago Chapter that the Jury of Fellows has reviewed the nominations of Charles H. Dornbusch and Charles Wheeler Nicol for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute and in view of the data submitted in support thereof, they have reached the conclusion that it would be better if these nominees would be considered under the category of "Design". This is to inform you that I concur with the conclusion of the Jury of Fellows.

Very truly yours,

  
Richard M. Bennett, F. A. I. A.

cc: Chicago Chapter

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SEPTEMBER 30, 1959

MISS FLORENCE GERVAIS  
THE OCTAGON  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W.  
WASHINGTON 6, D.C.

RE: FELLOWSHIP NOMINATION  
CHICAGO CHAPTER, AMERICAN  
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DEAR MISS GERVAIS:

WE ARE DESIROUS OF HAVING YOU RETURN TO US THE SUBMITTED MATERIALS OF HAROLD B. McELDOWNEY, CHARLES W. NICOL, AND CHARLES DORNBUSCH, WHICH, WE UNDERSTAND, HAVE BEEN HELD OVER FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE 1959 JURY OF FELLOWS. OUR NEW FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE SHOULD LIKE TO REVIEW THE SUBMITTED MATERIAL, INCREASE SUPPORTING EVIDENCE WHERE NEEDED, AND IN GENERAL, CONCENTRATE ON SEEING THAT ALL MATERIALS SUBMITTED ARE OF THE BEST QUALITY FOR THE CANDIDATE.

IF YOU SHOULD KNOW OF ANYTHING THAT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE IN THE WAY OF REVISIONS TO THESE PORTFOLIOS, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUGGESTIONS.

WE ASK THAT THESE BE RETURNED TO US AT OUR COST.

VERY TRULY YOURS,

*W. J. Bachman*  
WILLIAM J. BACHMAN  
PRESIDENT

WJB:FM

CC: MR. RAYMOND STUERMER  
MRS. CEIL GARNEAU  
MR. R. REA ESGAR  
MR. JACK RANDALL



October 7, 1959

Mr. William J. Bachman, President  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.  
221 North LaSalle Street  
Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear Mr. Bachman:

On behalf of Miss Gervais, who is presently on vacation, this is in response to your letter of September 30th, and in accordance with your request, we are forwarding to you, under separate cover, the portfolios of Charles W. Nicol and Charles Dornbusch for further attention by the Fellowship Committee of the Chicago Chapter.

Inasmuch as Harold B. McElDowney is being considered under the category of Education, we are holding your letter for Miss Gervais's attention upon her return to the office on October 19th, as she is personally acquainted with such matters and will advise you as to what supporting evidence may be lacking or information that may supplement his application, as well as the applications of Charles W. Nicol and Charles Dornbusch.

We would like to call to your attention, however, that such supporting data may be submitted up to January 1, 1960.

Very truly yours,

J. Winfield Rankin,  
Administrative Secretary

Members:  
Nicol, Charles W.  
(1945)

February 18, 1960

Mr. William J. Bachman, President  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.  
221 North La Salle  
Chicago 1, Illinois

Dear Mr. Bachman:

The Jury of Fellows has reported to me the following actions it has taken on nominations before it of corporate members of your chapter who were considered for advancement to Fellowship:

Elected to Fellowship: Charles H. Dornbusch  
Harold B. McKidowney

Herewith are copies of letters of notification to these newly-elected Fellows which are self-explanatory.

The Department of Public Information has asked me to inform you that a national announcement of all new Fellows will be issued for release Saturday PM - Sunday AM, February 27 and 28. Your Chapter is urged, however, to supplement this announcement with a release of its own. This release should describe the new Fellows' accomplishments and, if applicable, the prominent buildings they have designed in your area. Photos of their work and their portraits also should be made available to the press.

It is suggested that a member of your Chapter Public Relations Committee take the release personally to your local newspaper editors as well as to the radio and television stations. In doing so, however, it is imperative that the release date, Saturday PM - Sunday AM, February 27 and 28, be strictly observed. (This is necessary to avoid ill feeling on the part of the news media.)

Nomination Removed from the Jury's Agenda Charles W. Nicol

In view of the death of Mr. Nicol and of the policy of the Jury that no awards for Fellowship are made posthumously, the nomination has been withdrawn from the agenda.

Sincerely yours,

J. Roy Carroll, Jr., F.A.I.A.  
Secretary

Enclosures



# THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1735 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

December 9, 1959

*Thank*

Mr. Edmund R. Purves  
Executive Director  
The American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Ned:

I thought you would be interested in the copy of Resolution  
No. 59 which was passed by CHA pertaining to Charles W. Nicol.

Sincerely,

*John R. Fugard*  
John R. Fugard

JRF:AH  
Encl.

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**THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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## RESOLUTION NO. 59-CHA-\_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS the Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority were saddened to hear of the death on December 2, 1959 of Charles W. Nicol, outstanding Chicago architect; and

WHEREAS Charles W. Nicol, senior partner of the architectural firm of Nicol and Nicol, had been associated with the Chicago Housing Authority since 1954 as architect for Projects Illinois 2-29, Illinois 2-21, Illinois 2-6 and Illinois 2-38; and

WHEREAS as a member of the American Institute of Architects, he gave of his time and energy to serve on a Special Committee appointed by the Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority, in April of 1959, to study the over-all cost picture of Project Illinois 2-34; and

WHEREAS Charles W. Nicol has devoted much of his time and service in the interest of public housing;

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT we, the Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority, do hereby express our sorrow on the passing of Charles W. Nicol, and extend to the members of his family our heartfelt sympathy; and

## BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT, as a mark of respect to the memory of Charles W. Nicol, this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Chicago Housing Authority, and that a copy be presented to his bereaved family.

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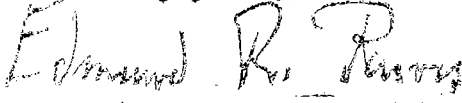
December 14, 1959

Mr. John R. Fugard, F.A.I.A.  
35 East Wacker  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear John:

This is just a note to acknowledge and thank you for yours of  
December 9th and for the copy of a Resolution (No. 59) passed by  
the Chicago Housing Authority in honor of the late Charles W.  
Nicol. This is indeed very nice.

Sincerely yours,



Edmund R. Purves, F.A.I.A.  
Executive Director

cc: Mr. Pettengill w/f

Nicol, Char. W.

# Charles W. Nicol, Noted Architect, Dies At Hospital

Charles Wheeler Nicol, well known Chicago architect, died Wednesday at the age of 71 in Westlake hospital, Melrose Park. Mr. Nicol was the architect and designer of the Rockwell Garden Chicago Housing Authority development.

A senior partner in the architectural firm of Nicol & Nicol, architects and engineers, 23 E. Jackson blvd., Mr. Nicol was responsible for the drawing and design of plans for more than 1,200 buildings in 17 states with his principal work in hotel and school design. Among Mr. Nicol's work were a number of buildings on the campus of Purdue and DuBuque Universities; public schools in Indiana and more than a dozen schools in Chicago's suburbs. His hotel work included the Gary hotel, Gary; Hotel LaSalle, South Bend; Hotel Lincoln Douglas, Quincy, Ill.; Hotel Leland, Richmond, Ind.; and the Hotel Vincent, Benton Harbor, Mich. He also designed a number of apartment buildings.

Mr. Nicol was an architect for 46 years and the only man to serve four terms as president of Architects Club of Chicago. He was president of the Chicago Building Congress for two terms and a corporate member of the American Institute of Architects. He was also chairman of a "blue ribbon" committee that reported to the CHA this year on high construction costs of public housing.

Mr. Nicol, who resided at 456 N. Austin, Oak Park, is survived by a widow, Bernice; a son, Robert S., who is a partner in the firm, and three daughters, Mrs. Martha Smith, Mrs. Janet Arrington and Mrs. Mary Bauer.

Services will be held today at 8:30 p.m. in the chapel at 523 Lake, Oak Park. Burial will be Saturday in Lafayette, Ind.

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