REX, JOHN LEON

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November 6, 1957

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

Gentlemen:

This is written in behalf of the nomination of John Rex for Fellowship as proposed by the Southern California Chapter, A.I.A.

The technical supporting data in behalf of Mr. Rex's nomination has doubtless been filed with you. It may nonetheless be appropriate for me, among others, to add my recommendation for your favorable attention to this nomination.

Mr. Rex has been an outstanding leader and former president in the Southern California Chapter. For many years he was extremely active in leadership of the State association of architects, and after formation of the California Council, A.I.A., he served as its president.

In addition to extensive contributions made by Mr. Rex to the profession in this State, he has identified himself as one of its foremost designers as testified by the many outstanding buildings that have been his trust to execute.

Thank you for consideration of this communication.

Very truly yours,

Ulysses Floyd Rible

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November 7, 1957

The Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N. W.

RE: Fellowship Nomination John L. Rex

Washington D. C.

Gentlemen:

Mr. John Rex has been an outstanding addition to the architectural profession in this State and I wish to go on record in support of his nomination for a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

His leadership, interest and participation in not only Civic affairs but also in the American Institute of Architects plus his many contributions to the field of architecture make him very worthy of your consideration.

I cannot recommend him too highly.

Sincerely yours,

ALBERT C. MARTIN AND ASSOCIATES

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November 8, 1957

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

Gentlemen:

I am very happy to recommend for your consideration for advancement to Fellowhip in the Institute, Mr. John Rex, member of the Southern California Chapter.

Mr. Rex is a capable and conscientious architect who has devoted a great deal of time to the advancement of the profession, both within the chapter and in public affairs.

> Yours very truly, Regletlewslein

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13 November 1957

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

Attention Jury of Fellows

Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure to speak for Mr. John Rex, a nominee for a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I have known Mr. Rex personally for over 20 years as a colleague and office of our Chapter and as a partner in a joint venture on a major Civic Center Building in Los Angeles.

I cannot speak too highly of Mr. Rex's personal integrity or his professional performance and knowledge. Certainly, John Rex, in my opinion, is worthy of elevation to Fellowship in the Institute.

Respectfully,

Herman Charles Light

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November 20, 1957

The Jury of Fellows, A. I. A. 1735 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen

I first met Mr. John Rex in the office of Sumner Spaulding, F. A. I. A. in the summer of 1935. At that time I was a young student out of school for the summer. John Rex was working as a designer and I had the privilege of working under him during these few summer months.

In 1938 I was given the opportunity of working in the same office as a draftsman and I was privileged to continue working for this firm until 1941.

During these early years, a young architect formulates his thinking which in later years becomes the backbone of his practice. Working under John Rex in the office of Sumner Spaulding was, I believe, partially responsible for my present professional success. I regard John Rex not only as a personal friend but as a man whose professional accomplishments, character, and integrity certainly reflect a great credit to the Institute.

Mr. Rex's years of outstanding service as president of the Southern California Chapter and the California Council of Architects are definitely responsible for formulating policies which in later years were directly responsible for the tremendous growth of this profession. As a personal friend of Mr. John Rex, it as a privilege to recommend him for advancement to relloyship in the Institute.

Sincerely

Edward H. Fickett, A. I. A.

Secretary, Southern California Chapter

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S. KENNETH JOHNSON, A.I.A.
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20 November 1957

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to place in nomination for Fellowship, the name of John Rex, A.I.A., Southern California Chapter.

I have known John Rex for over twenty years. His work and his service to the profession and for the public is recognized by the architects in this area as outstanding, and he is the recipient of numerous design awards. He has served on various architectural juries, and for several years has taught at the University of California at Los Angeles.

John Rex's service to the profession includes serving as a Director for the Southern California Chapter in 1946-47-48 and 1951; as Vice President in 1949; and as President in 1950. He was President of the California Council of The American Institute of Architects in 1951, and has served on many Chapter committees, State and National, through the years. In addition he has served the public of Los Angeles on various committees of both civil and cultural organizations.

I respectfully request your consideration for nomination of John Rex.

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Jury of Fellows

The American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

Washington 6, D.C.

PEREIRA & LUCKMAN

charles luckman

planning · architecture · engineering November 25, 1957

Gentlemen:

When I returned to architecture seven years ago, I met and became acquainted with John Rex. During the intervening years, I have watched with interest and admiration his continued growth and development.

He has become one of the outstanding members of our profession, and as such I feel he is entitled to your earnest consideration of his nomination for a Fellowship. 1 Luckman

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Čharles Luckman, A.I.A.

Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue Octagon Building Washington, D. C.

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27 November 1957

Jury of Fellows c/o American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Mr. John Rex of the Southern California Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is being considered by your Jury to be nominated for a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I have known John Rex for some eighteen years and have been associated with him on architectural projects, as well as spending one year with him teaching at the University of Southern California. It is my considered opinion that John Rex deserves the nomination for a Fellowship and that he is an example of one who has done outstanding work in our field.

When one has contributed as John Rex has, it is a pleasure and a privilege to write a letter of recommendation.

Sincerely,

A. Quincy Jones, Jr.

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December 2nd 1957

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

Re: Fellowship Nomination
John Rex

Gentlemen:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my hearty desire and pleasure in seconding the nomination of Mr. Rex for Fellowship in the Institute.

John is a long time friend of mine from collegiate days at the University of Southern California. He is an extremely capable designer and has received many awards and honors. He also has been a very active force in teaching the younger architects of this area the principles of our profession.

He has served the Institute at Chapter, Council and Institute levels. He is Past President of the Southern California Chapter and the California Council of Architects.

It is my sincere belief that Mr. Rex is worthy of advancement to Fellowship in the Institute for Achievement in Design and Service to the Institute.

Respectfully yours,

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PAUL ROBINSON HUNTER

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December 13, 1957

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

Gentlemen:

The Executive Committee of the Southern California Chapter has nominated John Rex for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute. I am happy to have an opportunity to support this nomination.

John Rex has been a moving spirit in furthering good contemporary architecture in this area, and has designed a number of our more important buildings. He has been most active in art circles in our community, and has brought credit and respect to the architectural profession.

As a president and past president of our Chapter, Mr. Rex has given forceful and constructive leadership to our members. As a fitting representative of the best our profession stands for; I commend him to you for advancement to Fellowship.

Sincerely,

PRH/db

Paul Hunter

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December 30, 1957

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

Gentlemen:

This is addressed to you in behalf of Mr. John L. Rex, who has been nominated by the Southern California Chapter for advancement to Fellowship in the field of "Design" and in "Service to the Institute."

It has been my pleasure to have known Mr. Rex for more than twenty years, and I feel therefore qualified to offer this "second" in support of his nomination.

A detailed record of Mr. Rex's accomplishments has been made available to you, but I can speak first-hand in support of his excellence of design and of his innate ability to integrate all of the facets of design in a successful manner.

No architect in Southern California more highly deserves recognition in the field of "Service to the Institute" than does Mr. Rex. His continuing leadership spreads over a period exceeding a decade and includes presidency of the Southern California Chapter as well as presidency of the California Council, A.I.A. He has further been very active in civic affairs, particularly having to do with art and construction. He has served as president of the Museum Association and as chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Los Angeles, among several others.

Your sympathetic attention to the nomination of Mr. Rex is respectfully suggested.

Very truly yours,

Jlysses Floyd Rible

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December 30, 1957

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

Gentlemen:

This year, the Southern California Chapter is nominating four men for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute.

Paul Hunter John Rex William Pereira George Russell

It is unusual that a quartet of men with the high qualifications of these four, could be submitted in one year from any chapter. I have no hesitation in recommending to your attention all lour. They are all Fellowship callber.

Sincerely,

Herbert 7. Powell

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January 3, 1958

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

ATTENTION: Miss Florence Gervais, Secretary to the Jury

Gentlemen:

The nomination of John Leon Rex for advancement to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects comes as no surprise to his fellow Architects. Mr. Rex has been a devoted member of the Southern California Chapter for many years and has contributed much to enrich the profession of Architecture.

My personal association with Mr. Rex has been that of a valued friend and fellow Architect. I feel as though his unimpeachable devotion to Architecture and his business acumen are prime factors in his advancement to Fellowship.

It is with great pride and pleasure that I recommend Mr. Rex be advanced to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

Sincerely yours,

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Stewart S. Granger, A. I. A. Director, Southern California Chapter, A. I. A.

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EDWARD S. HELD

January 3, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

It gives me the greatest pleasure to recommend Mr. John Leon Rex for a Fellowship in the Institute.

I have known Mr. Rex and his work for some time and all that is recommended concerning him in the list entitled "Nominee's Achievement in Architectural Design" is an indication of his fine work, and of Mr. Rex as an individual also.

My hearty recommendation for this honor to Mr. Rex.

Very touly yours,

WILLIAM WOOLLETT, ARCHITECT

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January 7, 1958

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

Gentlemen -

You have before you for consideration, the election of John Leon Rex as a Fellow. I should like to give my support to Mr. Rex.

In our Southern California Chapter of the A. I. A. he has been given five awards for outstanding contribution to design, some of these projects being the Ekdale residence in San Pedro, and the Robbins residence in Los Angeles; the Westchester Junior High School in Los Angeles, Pomona College Men's dormitory, in Claremont, and the Piness building in Los Angeles.

Mr. Rex is responsible for the design of a course covering architecture as related to engineering at the University of California at Los Angeles where he is a member of the faculty of the School of Engineering. This course is the only one of its kind known in the country.

His service to the Institute and our community has been a very active and successful one. He has been Director, Vice President and President of our chapter, and was on the Advisory Committee of Architects to the Council on Planning and Plant operations, Association of California Hospitals, Chairman of the State Recreation Plan, and Chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals for the city.

With all sincerity, I wish to recommend Mr. Rex to the Fellowship.

Sincerely yours

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Welton Becket, F. A. I. A.

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January 8, 1958 E2-j

Jury of Fellows
The Octagon
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washingtonó D.C.

Gentlemen:

Re: Proposed Fellowship Award
John Leon Rex

A recommendation will be considered for you to award Mr Rex a fellowship in the Institute, I heartily recommend that it be received favorably.

Mr Rex, over a period of many years, has served the Institute and the community outstandingly. He has a thorough knowledge of the aesthetics of design and has conducted his activities in a highly professional manner.

I unhestiatingly recommend him as qualified to receive the award.

Very truly yours,

Adrian Wilson

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January 8, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

Mr. John L. Rex has been nominated by the Southern California Chapter of the American Institute of Architects to Fellowship in the Institute.

Having known and worked with Mr. Rex over a number of years, it is with the deepest satisfaction that I commend him to you for Fellowship. He has that high level of integrity and talent which should earn for him this distinction, and his service to the Institute has been constant.

Yours truly,

Arthur B. Callion

Dean, School of Architecture

ABG/g

VAN LEE SCHMIDT

Architect and Engineer

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January 8, 1958

Jury of Fellows
The Octagon
1735 New York Ave. N.W.
Washington 6. Distric of Columbia

Dear Sirs:

I wish to endorse the nomination of John L. Rex, A.I.A. for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

It is difficult for me in a brief letter to single out and list a few of Mr. Rex's many achievements that have advanced the profession of Architecture. Therefore, in this letter I am mindfully omitting the listing of achievements which I am sure many others will touch upon in support of Mr. Rex's deserving honor.

One of the highlights of the many achievements of Mr. Rex was his support and active participation in the Student Chapter program of the A.I. A. Mr. Rex almost single handedly brought about the Chartering of the A.I.A. Student Chapter at the College of Architecture, University of Southern California. In recognition of the years of work that Mr. Rex contributed to this program, Mr. Rex was made chairman of the Charter Presentation cermonies.

Mr. Rex has been very active in improving the College of Architecture at the University of Southern California. As far back as 1940 Mr. Rex Chairmaned Committees which formulated programs and tendered suggestions to the Office of the President of the University of Southern California upon the needs of the College of Architecture for better qualified professors, more forward thinking visiting Critics and a sounder leadership with a highly qualified administrative Dean. These efforts by Mr. Rex has over these years has resulted in vast improvements at the College of Architecture at the University of Southern California.

Mr. Rex has for many years served on the Education Commettee of the Southern California Chapter of the A.I.A. Mr. Rex achieved the fulfillment of very active programs while serving as chairman of this committee.

Mr. Rex as President of the Southern California Chapter of the A.I.A. achieved improved administration and increased membership and interest in A.I.A. Chapter affairs.

My personal contact with Mr. Rex came in 1941 when I was a

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junior draftsman in the design office on a joint venture of John C. Austin, F.A.I.A. and the late Sumner Spaulding. In this office I had the opportunity to observe first hand the outstanding design ability of Mr. Rex as he performed the work of Chief Designer on the Los Angeles Municipal Airport Administration Building.

In late 1941 and after Mr. Rex headed the design office at the U.S. Navy Roosevelt Base at Terminal Island, Long Beach, California. I was privileged to also be employed in this office for a brief time. I had the opportunity to observe Mr. Rex working under Navy direction in war time emergency. Mr. Rex was instrumental in gaining much recognition for the benefits of Architectural design in the Navy building program.

Mr. Rex achieved a great amount of unity among California Architects as he served as President of the California Council of Architects.

Yours truly, Van Lee Schmidt

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January 8, 1957

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

Honorable Jury:

I have noted with sincere pleasure the nomination of the following men for fellowship in the American Institute of Architects:

Paul Robinson Hunter
William Leonard Pereira
John Leon Rex
George Vernon Russell

I have followed the careers of each of these men for the past twelve years, and it is my belief that their contribution and achievement is outstanding, a real credit to the profession.

Sincerely yours,

KENNETH N. LIND, A.I.A.

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January 8, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

I hereby recommend John Leon Rex to you, for advancement to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects. His honor awards of design indicate his success as a designer. His fine graduate course at University of California at Los Angeles is serving well to pull together the related fields of the architect and engineer, in building design.

Mr. Rex has contributed to civic affairs, and is generous with time devoted to the advancement of the architectural profession.

Very truly yours,

William H. Harrison, F.A.I.A.

Architect

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A. QUINCY JONES . FREDERICK E. EMMONS ARCHITECTS & SITE PLANNERS

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9 January 1958

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

Gentlemen:

I have been informed that Mr. John Rex has been nominated by the Southern California Chapter for elevation to Fellowship in the Institute.

I have known Mr. Rex both personally and professionally for nearly twenty years and have been associated with him on architectural commissions, and therefore feel that I have a comprehensive knowledge of his character and abilities.

He is not only a fine designer, but has contributed tremendously both to the institute and to many Civic and Community Projects.

I feel that he is entirely suitable for this high honor and unreservedly recommend that his nomination be approved.

Sincerely,

Frederick E. Emmons

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January 9, 1958

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

ATTENTION: Miss Florence Gervais, Secretary to the Jury

Gentlemen:

John Leon Rex has been nominated by the Executive Committee of the Southern California Chapter for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute for Achievement in Design and Service to the Institute. His many projects in the residential and institutional fields are outstanding for their architectural style and beauty. He has been a Visiting Critic of Design at the University of Southern California and a member of the faculty of the Engineering School at the University of California in Los Angeles.

For twelve years John Rex's services to his Chapter, community and to the Institute have been meritorious starting with a Chapter Directorship in 1946, eventually serving as Chapter President in 1950, and in 1951 as President of the California Council of Architects. I have personally worked with John over all of these years and am entirely aware of his great faculties and enthusiasm in the affairs of the profession. I feel he is very deserving of advancement to Fellowship and I sincerely hope he will be elected.

Sincerely yours,

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Charles O. Matcham, F.A.I.A.

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THE OCTAGON

1735 NEW YORK AVE., N. W.

WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

GENTLEMEN:

AS YOU KNOW, JOHN LEON REX, AMONG OTHERS, HAS BEEN NOMINATED BY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER FOR FELLOWSHIP.

HIS FIRM HAS RECEIVED AWARDS FOR DESIGN ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS, AND A FEW OF HIS MORE RECENT WORKS INCLUDE: WESTCHESTER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, LOS ANGELES TEACHERS CREDIT UNION, AND THE PINESS BUILDING IN LOS ANGELES.

HE HAS CONTRIBUTED TO EDUCATION AS A VISITING CRITIC AT THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND IS A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY OF THE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES. THE GRADUATE COURSE HE DESIGNED THERE COVERING THE SUBJECT OF ARCHITECTURE AS RELATED TO ENGINEERING, IS UNIQUE.

HE HAS BEEN OF GREAT SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE AND TO THE COMMUNITY, AS HE SERVED IN SEVERAL OFFICES FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER AND THE CALIFORNIA COUNCIL, INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT. HE HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN THE LOS ANGELES WELFARE FEDERATION AND THE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

I HAVE KNOWN MR. REX FOR MANY YEARS AND I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT HIS NOMINATION.

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YOURS VERY TRULY

THORNTON M. ABELL

HENRY F. WITHEY-ARCHITECT 14906 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks, Calif.

January 14, 1958.

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

Gentlemen;

The Southern California Chapter, A. I. A. has nominated for advancement to Fellowship John Leon Rex. It has been my previlage to know him since he joined our Chapter in 1944 and I am much pleased to support all details submitted by the committee of the Chapter in his behalf. Since becomming a member he has been very active in Chapter and Municipal Affairs.

It is with deep respect for him that I recommend your favorable consideration of his nomination.

Yours very truly

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THOMAS J. RUSSELL, A. I. A.

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January 14, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

John Rex is an outstanding architect and is certainly worthy of this additional honor.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Russell

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January 16, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

The name of John Leon Rex has been proposed by the Southern California Chapter for advancement to fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

The accomplishments of Mr. Rex in the field of architecture are well known throughout Southern California. His work has been singled out for excellence in design by the Southern California Chapter on several occasions. Mr. Rex has given generously of his time and efforts in the interest of the Institute and the community. For many years he acted as Director of the Southern California Chapter, and during the year 1950 he was President of this Chapter.

As a member of the faculty of the School of Engineering at the University of California at Los Angeles, Mr. Rex was responsible for the design of a course for graduate students, which course defines the relationship of the architect to the various engineering phases of the building industry, and their relationship to one another.

It is a privilege to support the nomination for which the Chapter has recommended Mr. Rex and to invite your favorable consideration of his nomination.

Very truly yours.

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ARCHITECT 6356 DE LONGPRE AVENUE, LOS ANGELES 28, CALIFORNIA HOLLYWOOD 9-3676

January 20, 1958

Jury of Fellows The Octagon 1735 New York Avenue Northwest Washington D.C. 6

I am greatly delighted to know that John Leon Rex has been proposed for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I am presently employed by Mr. Rex and find that his desire to do significant architecture is most stimulating as well as rewarding. He and his partner, Douglas Honnold F.A.I.A., have set up an atmosphere in their office where there is a constant awareness and searching for good architecture.

Mr. Rex has also contributed greatly in making the lay public aware of architecture and the important contribution it can make to man. He has served as moderator for the Architectural Panel on their panel discussion "Pioneers of New Ideas in California Architecture" in relationship to the exhibit "Roots of California Contemporary Architecture", an exhibition of the 1900-1935 work of Irving Gill, Greene & Greene, Bernard Maybeck, Richard Neutra, R. M. Schindler and Frank Lloyd Wright. He was instrumental in bringing Felix Candella to the Southern California area to speak on his work.

When one thinks of how best one can serve the architectural profession, he can think of no better way than to bring the profession to the people and the community he lives in. This, in my opinion, is what Mr. Rex has done.

Sincerely,

BERNARD ZIMMERMAN A.I.A

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21 January 1958

Jury of Fellows The Octagon 1735 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Mr. John Leon Rex is a hard working member of our profession. Serving as president of the Southern California Chapter in 1950, he put forth much effort and study which brought distinguished recognition to our profession in this state.

I sincerely recommend Mr. Rex for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

Very sincerely yours,

Don Ayres

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22 January 1958

Jury of Fellows
The Octagon
1735 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I understand that John L. Rex has been proposed for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. We were classmates at the University of Southern California where we received our Bachelor of Architecture degrees in 1932, so I have known him for 30 years.

Mr. Rex's achievement in design and service to the Institute have been noteworthy. He has received five honor awards by the Southern California Chapter for outstanding contribution in design. His service to the Institute and the community includes holding the positions of Director, Vice-President and President of the Southern California Chapter, President of the California Council, A.I.A., President of the Los Angeles County Museum Association, chairman of the Los Angeles City Board of Zoning Appeals, and others.

We can recommend him as a man of very high ability and one well qualified to receive the honor being proposed for him.

Very, truly yours,

Herbert F. Fiege

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2933 ROWENA AVENUE · LOS ANGELES 39, CALIFORNIA · NORMANDY 4-1933 January 23, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that Mr. John Leon Rex has been proposed by the Southern California Chapter as a nominee for elevation to Fellowship in the Institute.

Mr. Rex has attained an outstanding reputation in this area for his design ability. He is held in high regard by his colleagues, and the number of outstanding buildings he has designed result in the high standing he has achieved. Mr. Rex has devoted a considerable amount of time to education work, as a Visiting Critic for Fifth Year Architectural Design at the University of Southern California and is a member of the faculty of the School of Engineering at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Mr. Rex is also outstanding in his service to the Institute, having been a Director of the Southern California Chapter for three years, a Vice President for one year and President for one year. In 1951 he served as the President of the California Council, The American Institute of Architects.

In regard to community service, he has served as the President of the Museum Association of Los Angeles County, has served on the Advisory Committee of Architects to the Council on Planning and Plant Operations, Association of California Hospitals. He has been Chairman of the State Recreation Plan, Youth Service Committee of the Los Angeles Welfare Federation and has been Chairman of the Board of Zoning Appeals for the City of Los Angeles in 1955, 1956 and 1957.

I feel that the outstanding record of this man qualifies him in every respect for the honor of elevation to Fellowship. May I ask your careful and favorable consideration.

Yours very truly

WM. GLENN BALCH, Architect

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GRAHAM LATTA · ARCHITECT

3112 LOS FELIZ BOULEVARD LOS ANGELES 39, CALIFORNIA

January 27, 1958

Jury of Fellows The Octagon 1735 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Re: John L. Rex

I have known John Rex since the time preceding his partnership with the late Sumner Spaulding, F.A.I.A. - when the dormitories at Claremont were exciting in their union of architecture and painting and when the Ekdale residence at San Pedro was so far in advance of its times.

I have continued to know him through later work and through his service to the profession in our Chapter and in the California Council.

My most recent contact was only yesterday. Four different firms, including Honnold and Rex and myself, are doing branch libraries for Los Angeles. Yesterday I saw all four preliminaries. Time may well prove that the Honnold and Rex scheme is the simplest, cleanest and most direct of the four.

I am sure that John Rex has the qualification to carry on the traditions of Fellowship.

Sincerely,

GRAHAM LATTA, Architect

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The Jury of Fellows
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I am pleased to learn that the Southern California Chapter has nominated John Rex for a fellowship. This permits me the opportunity to urge your most favorable consideration of his achievements in design and outstanding service to the Institute.

The aesthetic quality of work done by Mr. Rex has been consistently excellent in varying associations and circumstances, marking a level for others to strive for. Also, I am conscious of a singular contribution he has made to the profession in his own community. None other of our Chapter members is so widely known personally and held in such high esteem. This has enhanced the stature of architects among our civic and cultural leaders.

Mr. Rex's advancement to fellowship would be a credit to our profession and gratifying to many of his colleagues.

Very truly yours,

ARCHITECT

3123 WEST EIGHTH STREET LOS ANGELES 5 - DUNKIRK 7-5263

January 28, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

The Southern California Chapter has nominated John Leon Rex for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. Those of us who know Mr. Rex and his work are aware of his noteworthy contribution to the architectural profession and will be grateful of the opportunity to endorse this proposal.

The accomplishments of Mr. Rex in the field of architectural design have been singled out for excellence on several occasions by the Southern California Chapter. He has untiringly and diligently served the Chapter and the Institute by his service as Chapter president and director, as well as committeeman.

As a member of the faculty of the School of Engineering at the University of California at Los Angeles, Mr. Nex has been responsible for the design of a course for graduate students, which course defines the relationship of the architect to the various engineering phases of the building industry and their relationship to one another.

I am privileged to invite your favorable consideration of his nomination.

Very truly yours,

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LEWIS K. OSBORN, STRUCTURAL ENGINEER . ASSOCIATE

January 29, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

The Southern California Chapter of the American Institute of Architects has recently nominated John Rex to fellowship in the Institute for his achievements in design.

I have known Mr. Rex and followed his professional career for the past fifteen years, and I know of no one more worthy of this recognition. Mr. Rex has been a devoted member of the Institute, serving on local and national committees as well as accepting the responsibilities of leadership among the members of our profession. His contribution to design in this area has been a great influence on many of us who have followed his work.

I would like very much to add my endorsement to that of others for the elevation of John Rex to fellowship.

Yours very truly,

Henry L. Wright, F.A.I.A

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January 29, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

I should like to very strongly recommend John Leon Rex for your consideration for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. Mr. Rex has been for many years very active in Chapter affairs and in addition - and much more important in my humble estimation for the high honor of Fellowship - is one of Southern California's very few top designers.

Sincerely yours,

Milton H. Caughey

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

November 15, 1957

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To Members of The Executive Committee, Southern California Chapter, A.I.A.							
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To complete Nomination this form must be filled and returned before February 1st. Otherwise, no action will be taken at the forthcoming Jury meeting.							
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Member of the Executive Committee, Southern California Chapter, A.I.A.



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