

Rigaumont, Victor A.  
Pittsburgh

Mapping

### Application for Membership

March 25, 1924

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

SIR:

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Victor A Rigaumont

Address 822 State Theatre Bldg Pittsburgh Pa  
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth New York, NY June 8 1889

Graduate in architecture Carnegie Inst. of Tech. 1912  
[If required in your case, give name of institution and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture \_\_\_\_\_  
[If required in your case, attach evidence.]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecolè des Beaux Arts \_\_\_\_\_  
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter Pittsburgh Pa

If practicing architect, firm name Victor A Rigaumont Registered Architect

Have been in practice Eight years

If draughtsman, employed by \_\_\_\_\_  
[State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training \_\_\_\_\_

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," 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.

Victor A Rigaumont  
[Signature of Applicant]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the PITTSBURGH  
[For use when the applicant is an Associate.]

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date JAN. 14, 1924  
[Insert date of election chapter.]

Thomas W. Ludlow Secretary.  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A. I. A.

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

- (1) William A. King Jr.
- (2) Frederick Biggers
- (3) Stewart A. Jones

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required ~~and~~ 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 member proposed, and in which there are no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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October 16, 1924.

My dear Mr. Bigaumont:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective October 16, 1924.

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

Enclosed herewith is statement covering dues for the last quarter of the current year.

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.

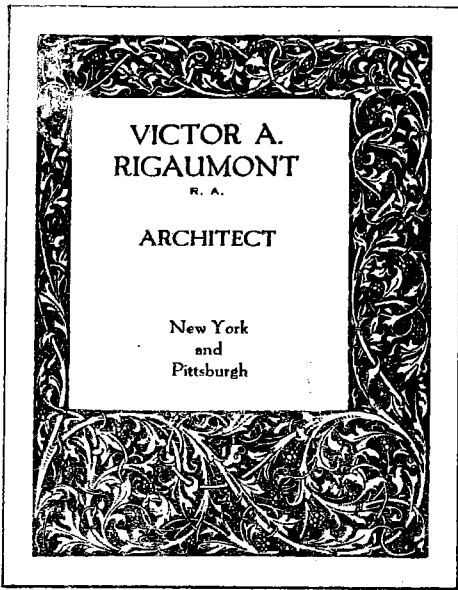
Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Victor A. Bigaumont,  
822 State Theatre Bldg.,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

R:D  
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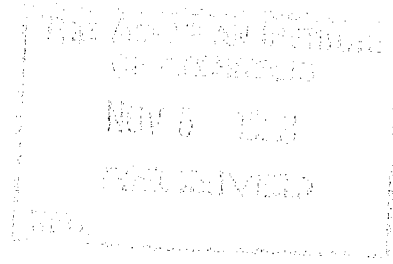
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DATED  
Nov. 3, 1928

FROM  
New York

SUBJECT Change of Chapters



Dear sir:-

Will you kindly advise what my procedure shall be in order that I shall change my membership from the Pittsburgh Chapter to that of the New York Chapter.

My main office has been moved to New York and I intend to continue in New York in preference to Pittsburgh and, therefore, desire to join the New York Chapter and drop the Pittsburgh Chapter.

Thanking you for this information, I am,

Yours very truly,

*Victor A. Rigaumont*  
Registered Architect

VAR:MP

KINDLY ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE

MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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

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November 6, 1928

My dear Mr. Rigaumont:

Responding to your letter of the 3rd, we can transfer you from the Pittsburgh to the New York Chapter upon receipt of a letter from the Secretary of the Pittsburgh Chapter, Mr. Lawrence Wolfe, 119 E. Montgomery Avenue, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., that you are in good standing therein. See the procedure indicated on the attached document.

We will make the transfer immediately upon receipt of the letter from Pittsburgh.

Sincerely yours,

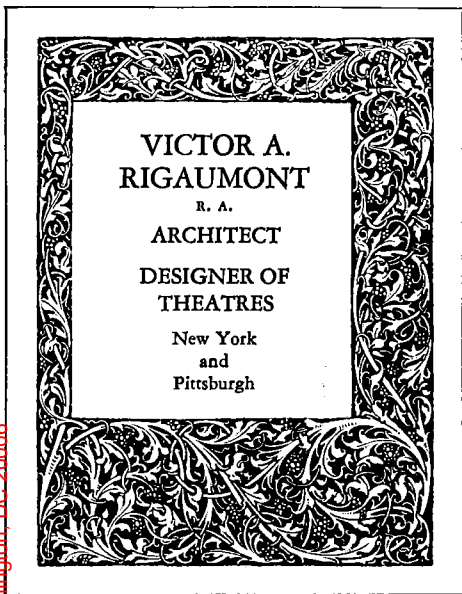
Executive Secretary.

Mr. Victor A. Rigaumont,  
1540 Broadway,  
Times Square, New York, N.Y.

K/FHG

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E. C. Kemper, Secretary,  
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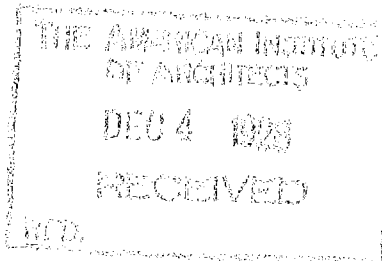
DATED

Dec. 3, 1928

FROM

New York

SUBJECT Change of Chapter



Dear sir:-

Enclosed please find letter from the Secretary of the Pittsburgh Chapter, dated Nov. 21, 1928, together with my request for a change of membership from the Pittsburgh Chapter to the New York Chapter, as per your letter of November 6, 1928 on this same subject.

Will you kindly make the transfer and if there is any other action required on my part, so advise me.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours very truly,

*V.A. Rigauumont*  
Registered Architect  
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MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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119 E. MONTGOMERY STREET, N. S.

## PITTSBURGH CHAPTER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
PITTSBURGH, PA.

November 21, 1928.

Mr. Victor A. RigauMont,  
Loew Building,  
1540 Broadway,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of November 17,  
permit me to state that you are a member of the  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A.I.A. I find that your dues  
have been paid for the current year and I enclose  
a duplicate receipt for same.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

LW/AB

Enc.

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*Mrs. M.*  
*Please note*  
*noted*

December 4, 1928.

Dear Mr. Rigaumont:-

In accordance with your letter of December 3, and that of November 21, from Mr. Wolfe, Secretary of the Pittsburgh Chapter, I beg to advise that you have been formally transferred, as an Institute member in good standing, from the Pittsburgh to the New York Chapter, effective December 4, 1928.

The Secretaries of the two Chapters concerned have been so notified.

The Secretary of the New York Chapter is Mr. Julian Clarence Levi.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Victor A. Rigaumont,  
1540 Broadway, Times Square,  
New York, N. Y.

K:VB

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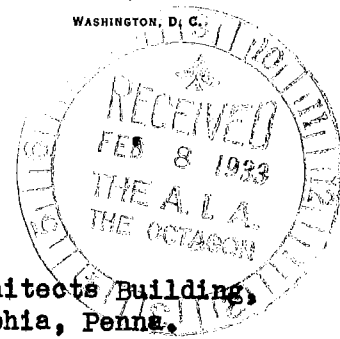
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 Philadelphia, Penna.

February 7,  
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Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,  
 The American Institute of Architects,  
 The Octagon,  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I  
 have written to Mr. V. A. Rigauumont.

You will observe that I am making my  
 first approach to him in a "persuasive" manner with  
 the hope that he may discontinue his very questionable  
 practice of circularizing Realtors.

If he does not give a satisfactory re-  
 sponse, I will ask the Northwestern Penna. Chapter to  
 prefer charges, for I think the matter is rather seri-  
 ous.

My delay in writing to Mr. Rigauumont is  
 chiefly due to the fact that I was awaiting a reply from  
 Mr. Trimble of Pittsburgh to my inquiry as to the identi-  
 ty of Mr. Rigauumont, and he has written me that Mr. Rigau-  
 mont was formerly a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter and  
 was transferred to the New York Chapter, but had recently  
 returned to Pittsburgh and had not asked for a transfer  
 back to the Pittsburgh Chapter. He did not give me the  
 new Pittsburgh address so I am sending my letter to the  
 New York address given in the *Annuary*, hoping that it will  
 be promptly forwarded.

Very truly yours,

*John P. B. Sinkler*  
 John P. B. Sinkler

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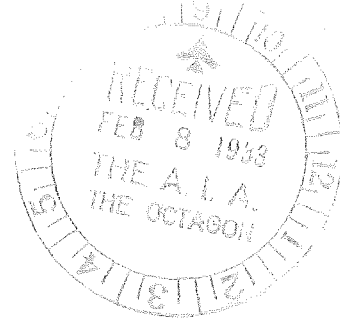
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February 6,  
1933.

Mr. V. A. Rigamont,  
1540 Broadway,  
Times Square,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Rigamont:

The Secretary of the Institute has sent me a letter from Mr. Fred A. Fuller, Secretary of the Northwestern Penna. Chapter. Mr. Fuller states that a client of one of the members of that Chapter had turned over to him a circular letter, signed by you, copy of which I enclose, bearing the caption "Personal. Subject: Contact with Realtors".

The Northwestern Penna. Chapter asks for advice "regarding the attitude of the Institute towards this kind of 'broadcasting', also, is it, as stated, an ethical proposition to split fees for favors rendered".

I, as Chairman of the Institute's Committee on Practice, have been requested to inquire further into this matter and to discuss it with you. It appears to me that such a circular does not do credit to the ethical standards set up by the Institute, and that your offer to split your commission is dangerously close to the unethical.

Some months ago a member asked me, informally, my opinion on a particular proposition which had been presented to him by a realtor, that he should receive a share of the commission for the particular project in question and before I could send him a reply, he informed me that this project had been abandoned and that an answer was no longer required.

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Mr. V. A. Riggsont.

February 6, 1933.

I decided, however, that the question was one that should be settled and in presenting the Progress Report of the Committee on Practice to the Executive Committee, I asked for an opinion on this case. I have a letter in reply from the Secretary, that he was directed to say that in the opinion of the Executive Committee such practice would be inimical to the best interests of the profession and disadvantageous to the owner. In view of the above, you can see how much more you would be condemned for sending out a general appeal to realtors, offering to split fees.

Will you be good enough to acknowledge this letter and to give me your own views. The Institute is most anxious to keep up the highest standards of professional practice and this can only be accomplished by full co-operation by each of its members.

You will observe that the Northwestern Penna. Chapter has not brought formal charges against you and I am sure that that Chapter as well as the Committee on Practice and the Officers of the Institute would much prefer to have you agree to refrain from a practice that is questionable rather than to have charges preferred. In other words, I am writing in the friendliest attitude towards you.

Very truly yours,



John P. B. Sinkler

CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON PRACTICE.

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C/c to Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary.  
Mr. Fred A. Fuller, Secretary, Northwestern Penna. Chapter.  
Mr. R. M. Trimble, Pittsburgh, Penna.  
Mr. Charles T. Ingham, Vice Chairman, Committee on Practice.

C O P Y

Personal

Subject: Contact with Realtors.

I am establishing contact with leading Realtors who without any obligations whatever on their part, are willing to utilize their knowledge of their community and its events so as to facilitate my opportunities as Architect.

In remuneration for this assistance, the Realtor is to receive a fee ranging from five to ten percent of the Architect's commission.

The cost to the client is not increased because a portion of the money now spent on "Missionary Work" will be turned into a more productive channel.

This is a perfectly ethical proposition which I would like to discuss with you, if you are interested.

A reply from you will be appreciated and will place you under no obligations, my visit being made at my expense.

Yours very truly

(Signed) V. A. Rigauont  
Registered Architect

Member of Pittsburgh Real Estate Board

P. S. I expect to be in Erie in the near future, and therefore will welcome your early reply.

# American Institute of Architects

Inter-Office Communication

Subject

From E. C. K.

To John P. B. Sinkler Date February  
10,  
1933.

Dear Mr. Sinkler:

Thank you for sending us a copy of your masterpiece  
of diplomacy - to Mr. Rigaumont.

I feel sure that it will accomplish the desired result,  
and without putting the Institute in the position of an en-  
forcement officer, *at least for the present.*

Sincerely yours,

ECK\*B

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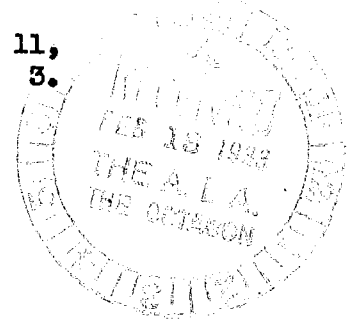
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February 11,  
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Mr. Frank C. Baldwin, Secretary,  
 The American Institute of Architects,  
 The Octagon,  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I am enclosing copies of my letter of February 6th to Mr. V. A. Rigaumont and his reply, dated February 9th. Attached to his reply was a communication, addressed to you, tendering his resignation from the Institute.

I trust you will not find anything in my letter to him which would make you liable, as an officer of the Institute, for damages. Personally, I think it is just as well that he should resign from the Institute if this is the way he feels about it.

It is amusing that in the same mail I received a letter from Abram Garfield in which he says that "I hope you are having a perfectly splendid time as Chairman of this Committee". A happy coincidence, is it not?

With my best regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

John P. B. Sinkler

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C O P Y

TO John P. B. Sinkler,  
Chairman, Committee on Practice,  
American Institute of Architects,  
1908 Architects Building,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Subject: Replying to your letter of February 6, 1933.

Letter 303-P

Feb. 9, 1933

From Pittsburgh

You have sent copies of your letter to various individuals, and in your letter there are statements or insinuations which are injurious to me and for which you or the persons you represent may be held liable for damages. The letter directly accuses me as proposing to split fees or commissions for "favours rendered". I have an enviable reputation for strict honesty, not only among my clients but among my fellow architects and also contractors, and I do not intend to permit you or anybody else to say or write anything to the contrary.

I fully resent the fact that you have sent a copy of your letter to my personal friends, Mr. Trimble and Mr. Ingham, without first consulting me personally to ascertain if you know the correctness of what you are writing, notwithstanding that they may be officers of the local Pittsburgh Chapter to which I do not belong, and members of your Committee.

For your edification, I pay others for work they do for me and this is what my proposition with the realtors amounts to. They are not to render "favours", but they must render hard work. It is no handout. Furthermore, my circular letter vividly points out that the cost to the client is not increased because a portion of the money now spent uselessly on missionary work is turned into a more productive channel.

It appears to me that this is an exaggeration on the part of your organization and it is liable to hamper an architect who wants to work, from earning an honest living in these trying times. I know of no sinking fund that your organization has created to provide for architects without work. Neither do I know of any fruitful effort of the American Institute of Architects to assist architects out of this depression.

During the many years of my good membership with the A. I. A., I have witnessed violations of your Code of Ethics. In fact, I have been the victim in a case where a Northwestern Pennsylvania Architect, a member of the A. I. A., has tried to take work away from me, notwithstanding the fact that he knew that I was the selected architect. I have refrained from complaining because I am a good sport and can fight my own battles, and am not afraid of competition

It will not be necessary for you to bring up this question before any of your committees or membership, because now it is immaterial to me whether or not my membership is continued with your organization, even though I have been a faithful member for all these years and happen to be about the only prominent Theatre Architect who has been a member. In fact, I forbid you to do so.

(Continuation of letter No. 303-P)

Concerning the closing sentence of your letter, you may be relieved to know that my resignation as a Member of the American Institute of Architects has been forwarded to the proper authorities.

(Signed) V. A. Rigaumont  
Registered Architect.

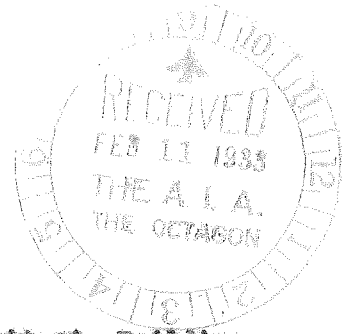
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Enc: Copy of letter No. 304-P

Copy of this letter No. 303-P to:  
R. M. Trimble and C. T. Ingham,  
together with a copy of letter No. 304-P.

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COMMITTEE ON PRACTICE  
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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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1908 Architects Building,  
Philadelphia, Penna.

February 10,  
1933.

Mr. V. A. Rigaumont,  
Oliver Building,  
Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 9th, replying to mine of February 6th, and I regret that you have so completely misread and misunderstood not only the letter but the spirit in which I wrote.

I also acknowledge the copy of your communication to Mr. Frank C. Baldwin, Secretary of the American Institute of Architects, tendering your resignation from membership in the Institute.

Very truly yours,

John P. B. Sinkler

CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON PRACTICE.

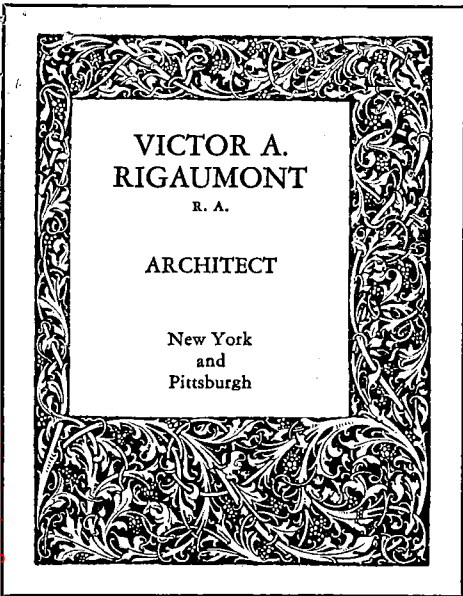
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G/C to Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary.  
to Mr. Fred A. Fuller, Secretary, Northwestern Penna.  
Chapter.  
to Mr. R. M. Trimble, Pittsburgh, Penna.  
to Mr. Charles T. Ingham, Vice Chairman, Committee on  
Practice.

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TO

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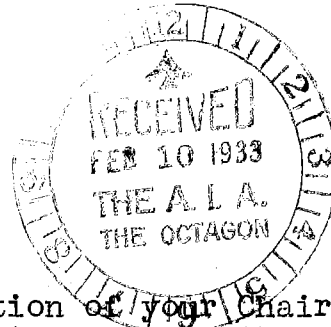
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COMM. No. G  
IN REPLY REFER  
TO LETTER No. 304-P

DATED  
Feb. 9, 1933

FROM  
Pittsburgh



Because of the action of your Chairman, Committee on Practice, in sending out to others copies of a letter addressed to me, repeating statements which I consider injurious to me, without first investigating from me personally the true status of the matter, I hereby resign from my Membership in the American Institute of Architects, said resignation to take effect at once.

I hereby notify the American Institute of Architects, its officers, its members of committees, its members, and its employees, and/or others that they will be separately and/or jointly held liable for damages resulting from false statements they circulate verbally or in writing, concerning the Undersigned.

VAR:MP

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Registered Architect

CC: F. A. Fuller  
R. M. Trimble  
C. T. Ingham  
J. P. B. Sinkler

KINDLY ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO THE PITTSBURGH OFFICE

MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

*March 16/33*

February 16, 1933.

Dear Mr. Rigaumont:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 9th, addressed to the Secretary of the Institute, and tendering your resignation as a member.

Under the By-Laws, a resignation should be made to the Board of Directors, but "addressed to the Secretary of the member's Chapter."

The Secretary of your Chapter is Mr. Eric Kebbon, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The entire resignation procedure is shown on the enclosed excerpt from the By-Laws, - Chapter I, Article 6, Sections 1, 2 and 3.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors, in Washington on March 15th, at which time resignations may be acted upon.

If your resignation is not received in time for that meeting it cannot be considered until the next meeting, which will probably be in late November, or early December.

By direction of the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Victor A. Rigaumont,  
Oliver Building,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FCK\*B

cc- Messrs. F.A.Fuller  
R.M.Trimble  
C.T.Ingham  
J.P.B.Sinkler  
Eric Kebbon

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PRESIDENT

SECRETARY A.L. TREASURER  
Brockway

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

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*Made*

February 21, 1933.

Dear Mr. Sinkler:

Mr. Baldwin received your letter of February 11th, with regard to the correspondence with Mr. Rigaumont, and directs that I make acknowledgment, and thank you for keeping him posted.

Mr. Rigaumont's resignation came to hand, and we have written to the Secretary of the New York Chapter for approval.

It should be possible to act upon the resignation at the meeting of the Board on March 15th.

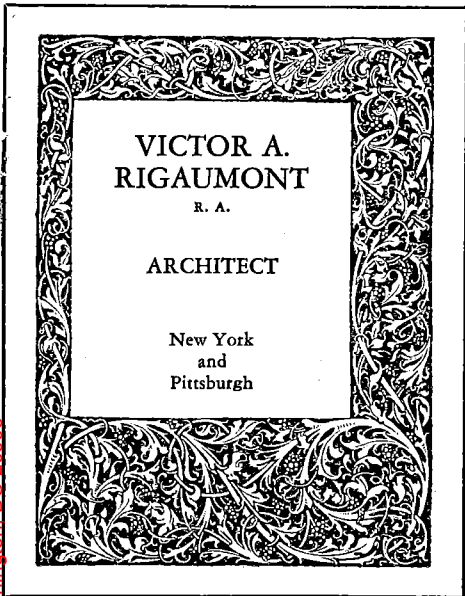
Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. John P. B. Sinkler, Chairman,  
Committee on Practice, A. I. A.,  
Architects Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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TO

*Miss G.*  
Edward C. Kemper, Ex. Secy  
c/o Frank C. Baldwin, Secy  
American Inst. of Architects  
The Octagon  
Washington, D. C.

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SUBJECT Replying to your letter  
of February 16, 1933.

COMM. No. G  
IN REPLY REFER  
TO LETTER No. 314-P

DATED  
Feb. 18, 1933

FROM  
Pittsburgh

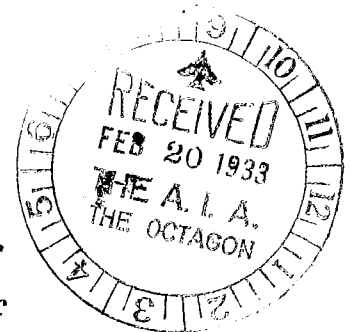
I empower you to forward to the proper authorities the resignation which was sent to your organization, inasmuch as it seems to be in the wrong hands now.

Hereto attached is a 3¢ stamp for your convenience.

I do not intend to write any additional letters of resignation on this subject, because I consider the one already sent you sufficient.

VAR:MP

*V. Rigaumont*  
Registered Architect



KINDLY ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO THE PITTSBURGH OFFICE

~~MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS~~

# American Institute of Architects

## Inter-Office Communication

Subject

From

To

Date

E. C. K.

Eric Kebbon

February 21, 1933

*March 30*

Dear Mr. Kebbon:

You already have a copy of our letter of February 16th, addressed to Mr. Victor A. RigauMont, member of the New York Chapter, with regard to his resignation, wherein we advised him that it should come to The Octagon through the Chapter.

Mr. RigauMont has responded as per the attached copy of letter.

It would be appreciated if you would advise this office of the recommendation of the New York Chapter when it has had opportunity to consider the matter.

Sincerely yours,

K/g  
Enc.

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

COPY

March 24, 1933

Dear Mr. Kebbon:

At the March meeting of the Board of Directors of the Institute, the resignation of Mr. Victor A. Rigamont, about which we have had previous correspondence, was accepted, if there was no objection from the New York Chapter to such action.

As soon as we hear from you, regarding the recommendation of the Chapter, we will be in a position to advise Mr. Rigamont.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Eric Kebbon, Secretary,  
New York Chapter, A. I. A.,  
522 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

E/G

Copy to the President,  
New York Chapter.

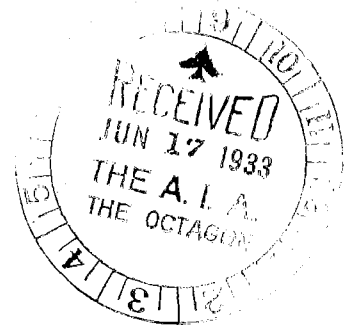
NEW YORK CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
522 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

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MARION CHRISTIE                      EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

June 16, 1933.



Edward C. Kemper, Esq.  
1741 New York Avenue  
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I apologize for this very belated reply to your letter of March 24th to Mr. Kebbon concerning the resignation of Mr. Victor A. Rigault.

This case was considered by the new Executive Committee at its meeting yesterday, and they still did not wish to accept Mr. Rigault's resignation until he paid his dues in arrears -- for 1931 and 1932, totalling \$18.75. Otherwise they felt that he should be dropped for non-payment of dues, rather than being allowed to resign as a member in good standing.

I am not sure that this will be of any considerable assistance to you, in the light of action taken by the Board of Directors in the March meeting. Our Executive Committee was in full possession of all the facts, however, and I suppose their decision is final.

Yours sincerely,

*Marion Christie*  
**Executive Secretary.**

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June 23, 1933.

My dear Mr. Rigauont:

Acceptance of your resignation as a member of the Institute and the New York Chapter is complete, except for release by the New York Chapter.

It appears that you are indebted to that Chapter for dues for 1931 and 1932, in the sum of \$18.75.

If you will send a check to the Secretary of the Chapter, Mr. Eric Kebbon, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City, with a copy of letter of transmittal to this office, we can conclude the acceptance of the pending resignation.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Victor A. Rigauont, A. I. A.,  
1540 Broadway, Times Square,  
New York City, New York.

ECK\*E

cc- Miss Christie  
Mr. Kebbon

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PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER



(Extract from letter of November 8th, Eric Kebbon, Secretary,  
New York Chapter, A. I. A., 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City  
to Edward C. Kemper)

Replying to your letters of October 31st, in the case of Victor A. Rigaumont, I believe that my letter to you of June 16th must stand as the attitude of the Chapter. The new Executive Committee saw no reason why Mr. Rigaumont should be allowed to resign as a member in good standing while he still owes \$18.75 to the Chapter. We have heard nothing further from Mr. Rigaumont, so that I presume the Institute will have to drop him for non-payment of dues in order to close this case.

Owes Institute dues  
for 1932 + 1933 - \$50. -

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

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COPY

January 16, 1934

Dear Mr. Rigaumont:

At the November meeting of the Executive Committee of The American Institute of Architects, your membership in the Institute and the New York Chapter was discontinued, effective December 31, 1932, for the non-payment of dues.

The Secretary of the New York Chapter has been so advised.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Victor A. Rigaumont,  
1540 Broadway, Times Square,  
New York, N. Y.

K/g



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PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

*Dr. 12-31-50  
Owed for 1932-25  
was transferred  
to NY Chapter 1928*

February 6, 1950

Mr. J. W. Rankin  
Administrative Secretary  
American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Mr. Rody Patterson, President of the Pittsburgh Chapter, has had a request from Mr. Victor A. Rigamont for an application for reinstatement in the Chapter and a statement of his status in regard to readmission. I can find no record at all of his ever having been a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter, although we are reasonably sure that he was and we also think that he was at one time a member of the New York Chapter.

I am informed that at times in the past, it was possible for an architect to be a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter without being a member of the national organization which may account for the lack of any records as to his membership.

Would you kindly look up his record, find out whether or not he is in arrears financially and let us know what his financial obligations will be if he is re-admitted to membership.

Yours very truly,

*Charles S. Ingham*  
Charles S. Ingham, Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A. I. A.

CSI:GMB

CC: Mr. Rody Patterson, President  
CC: Mr. Frank E. Wehrle, Treasurer

*Response*

February 15, 1950

Dear Mr. Ingham:

Responding to your letter of February 6th with regard to the status of Mr. Victor A. Rigault, formerly a member of the A.I.A., we find that his membership lapsed on December 31, 1932, at which time he owed for Institute dues in the amount of \$25.00.

Mr. Rigault was transferred to the New York Chapter in 1928, and it may be possible there are some outstanding dues he should pay to it, if he decides to apply for readmission. Miss Dorothea Waters, Executive Secretary of the New York Chapter, could inform you on this point. Her address is 115 East 40th Street, New York 16, N.Y.

An application for readmission should be accompanied by payment of past Institute dues, plus \$5.00 for the readmission fee, plus one year's Institute dues in advance. These A.I.A. dues in advance would be \$40.00 or \$25.00 - the latter sum if the applicant's income from professional practice in 1949 was \$5,000 a year or less.

Otherwise, the procedure for handling an application for readmission is the same as for an original applicant.

Let us know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Rankin  
Administrative Secretary

Mr. Charles S. Ingham, Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, P.S.A., A.I.A.  
1211 Empire Building  
Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania

JWR/fng

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115 EAST 40th STREET, NEW YORK 16, N. Y.

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*Perkins  
Simpson*

March 13, 1950

Charles S. Ingham, Esq., Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A. I. A.,  
1211 Empire Building,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Ingham:

This letter is in response to yours of Feb. 20th regarding Mr. Victor A. Rigamont, the delay in answering being due to my having been away on a short trip.

Mr. Rigamont was at one time an Assigned member of this Chapter; he was dropped in 1932 for non-payment of \$15.00 dues to the Chapter. What amount, if any, he may have owed the A. I. A. for national dues at the time, my records do not show.

With kind personal regards to you and Mrs. Ingham,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

DW:MB

cc: Mr. Rankin, Washington

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PITTSBURGH CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

March 14, 1951

Mr. Edmund R. Purves  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Ned:

For a number of years one of our local architects, Victor Rigaumont, was a member of The Institute assigned to the Pittsburgh Chapter. I do not know the exact date, but he resigned a few years ago. He now wishes to re-apply for admission and has given our Treasurer a check for delinquent dues. There is one major question, however, in his mind and in the minds of the Executive Committee.

Mr. Rigaumont is an inventor of a system of construction using specially designed concrete blocks. This system he has patented and is constantly using on many jobs because it is a better system, in his opinion, than any other available. Before formally making application for re-admission Mr. Rigaumont has asked the assurance of our Chapter officers that he will not be censured for specifying this system of construction.

I have consulted Charles T. Ingham, the Dean of architects in this area, who expressed the opinion that Mr. Rigaumont's use of a patented system was ethical, provided that he informed each client of his interest in the material or method.

We have also consulted Allan Neal, feeling that his experience as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee would be helpful. Allan, however, could refer us to no specific Institute document describing the ethical or non-ethical aspects of this problem. We all share the opinion of Charlie Ingham and feel that other architects would do likewise since it is not an objective of The Institute to stifle invention.

Could you let me know if there is any decision by The Board or Judiciary Committee relating to this problem that we may use as guidance? If there is not, we believe that it is of sufficient importance to warrant a decision and request that you take what steps might be necessary to reach one. If additional information is necessary we shall be glad to furnish it.

Sincerely yours,

*BKJ*

B. K. Johnstone

BKJ/a  
cc - Mr. Charles S. Ingham

March 19, 1951

Dear Ken:

I have your letter of March 14th relative to the question raised in connection with Mr. Riggsant's application for membership in The Institute.

By recent action of The Board of Directors, all questions on ethics must be referred to the Secretary of the Institute for reply. Accordingly, I am making your letter available to Clair Ditchy. In doing so, I direct his attention to the third paragraph of your letter.

Although I am not familiar with the details and although both instances occurred sometime in the past, a precedent probably has been established by the case of the Truscon steel sash and also of the Cutler mail chute. Both of these articles were, I believe, invented and patented by the architect concerned and have been and still are being extensively used, not only by the inventors and their successors but also by other architects. If this is a matter which should be brought before The Board, Clair Ditchy will let us know.

Thanking you for having called this to our attention, I am

Sincerely yours,

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

Mr. H. K. Johnstone, President  
Pittsburgh Chapter, P.S.A., A.I.A.  
1107 Empire Building  
Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania

ERP:MSD  
cc: Mr. Ingham  
Mr. Ditchy

Dated June 20, 1951.  
Received October 18, 1951.  
Granted January 1, 1952.



MEMBERSHIP NO 8359

Published Date: November 1, 1951  
Expiration Date: January 1, 1952

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Readmission  
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant Victor Albert Rigauont Chapter Pittsburgh
- B Address of applicant 5471 Coral Street, Pittsburgh 6, Pennsylvania
- C Applicant proposed by ..... and .....
- D Application received with check for \$ 45.00 on October 18, 19 51  
(Owes no past AIA dues)
- E Application <sup>held</sup> returned for correction (Report from New York Chapter) October 24, 19 51
- F Application in due order on (Owes no New York Chapter dues) on chapter dues) November 9, 19 51.
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent (Pa.) Oct. 24 1951. Received. November 9, 19 51.
- 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, ~~proposer~~, and chapter on October 24, 19 51
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~or that application be denied~~ received on October 18, 19 51
- J No report from chapter executive committee on 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on November 13, 19 51
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on November 13, 19 51
- M Applicant <sup>III</sup> was admitted on January 1, 19 52
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter ~~applicant~~ ~~or proposer~~ on January 1, 19 52.
- 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

Victor Albert Rigauont  
to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the Pittsburgh Chapter.

Date January 1, 19 52

Secretary

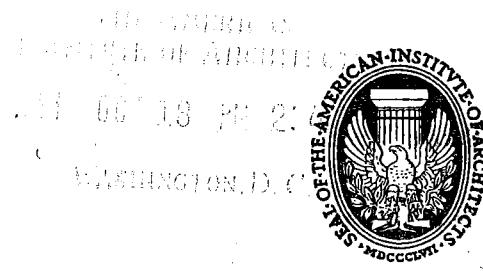
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In due order  
November 9, 1951  
J.H. Gerovais



APPLICATION NO



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 Victor Albert Rigauumont
2. I am a natural citizen of the United States
3. My legal residence is in the City of Pittsburgh  
County of Allegheny State of Pennsylvania
4. My address in The Institute records will be  
Number 5471 Street Coral Street  
City Pittsburgh Zone 6 State Pennsylvania
5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as a Practicing Architect
6. I desire to be a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter.
7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws; and the Standards of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, which are attached hereto; and the Rules and Regulations supplementary thereto; and that I understand the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of a member of The Institute; and that I have read and understand all the information contained in this form and its attachments.
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, of which \$1.00 is for a year's subscription to the *Bulletin of The American Institute of Architects*. 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 June 20 1951

*Victor A. Rigauumont*  
Applicant sign full name in ink

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3 State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.  
4 State whether residence or office address.  
5 State whether a practicing architect, a teacher or public official, etc.

PAID  
45 10-19-51

Terminated 7/31/32  
Has paid back dues & owes nothing further on them.  
N.Y. Chapter

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth June 8, 1889 Place of birth New York City, N. Y.

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

Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Ohio, West Virginia, Florida, Maryland and Virginia.

(b) I passed the State Board Examination in the following-named states: Pennsylvania

(c) I hold Certificate No.....of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, for having passed their Standard Examination.

Council Record N.C.A.R.B. No. 630

EDUCATION

12.(a) I attended high schools, private schools, colleges, universities, as follows:

Name of School, College, University	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
College Guisard	Colombes, France	1898 to	1903	According to curriculum
Saham Toney College	Norfolk, England			
Carnegie Inst of Tech,	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1906	1912	Diploma
Atelier Umbdenstock -	Paris, France		to 1914	

(b) I have held the following-named scholarships or other honor awards, and have traveled in the following-named countries:

First, Second, and Third Medals from Society of Beaux Arts of America.

Travels in France, England, Belgium, Germany, Italy.

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:

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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).

Practicing Architecture as an individual since 1917. From To

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

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

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 16. Member of Institute from 1924 to 1932
17. Junior of Institute from to
18. Associate of Pittsburgh Chapter from 1925 to 1928
New York City Chapter from 1928 to 1932
19. Junior Associate of Chapter from to
20. Student Associate of Chapter from to
21. Member of State Organization in Pennsylvania from 1936 to 1944

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 years. I have known the applicant for years.

Signed.....

Proposer

Signed.....

Proposer

Address

Address



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

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Victor Albert RigauMont... Pittsburgh 6, Pennsylvania  
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania  
*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... October 24, 19 51

*Car W. D. [Signature]*  
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state?..... YES.....
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination?..... NO..... or by exemption?..... YES.....
3. What was the scope of the examination? (Our records show that on October 12, 1932, Mr. RigauMont appeared before the Board and successfully completed a Senior Oral examination, which was conducted along the same lines as the NCARB Sr. Oral Ex.)
4. What was the period of the examination?..... --..... days. Written examination..... --..... hours; Oral examination 1/2 to 1 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 first registration July 26, 19 21 Registration No. E 447 Is it current?..... YES.....

*M. Edwin Green [Signature]*  
M. Edwin Green, Secretary  
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date November 8, 19 51 Pennsylvania State Board of Examiners of Architects  
(Name of Board)

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

June 21, 1951

The American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, 6, D. C.

Attention: Mr. J. W. Rankin

Dear Mr. Rankin:

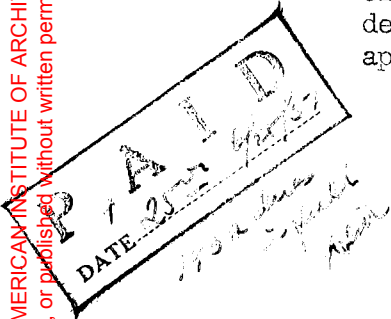
On February 15, 1950 you wrote me that at the time Mr. Victor Rigau mont's membership lapsed in 1932 he was indebted to the Institute for \$25.00. I am enclosing his check for that amount which will erase his debt to the Institute and make him eligible for re-application for membership.

Very truly yours,

Charles S. Ingham, Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A. I. A.

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June 29, 1951

Dear Mr. Ingham:

Thank you for yours of June 21st and for the check for \$25.00 in payment of the indebtedness of Mr. Victor Rigauont for Institute dues for 1932.

If you will refer to my letter of February 15, 1950, you will note it also was indicated Mr. Rigauont should be sure he is not indebted to the New York Chapter for chapter dues, as of the date his membership lapsed. At present the Executive Secretary of the New York Chapter is Mrs. Jane Short, 115 East 40th Street, New York 16, N.Y., to whom Mr. Rigauont should write if he already has not done so.

Upon receipt of Mr. Rigauont's application for readmission, with check for \$45.00 for the readmission fee and one year's dues in advance, we shall be pleased to put it forward.

Sincerely yours,



J. W. Rankin  
Administrative Secretary

Mr. Charles S. Ingham, Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A.I.A.  
1211 Empire Building  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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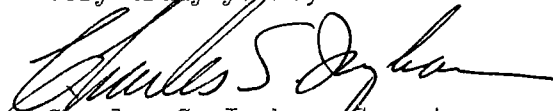
July 5, 1951

Mr. J. W. Rankin, Administrative Secretary  
The American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington, 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

In reply to your letter of June 29 regarding  
Mr. Victor A. Rigauont's indebtedness to the New York  
Chapter, we have forwarded to the New York Chapter a  
check in the amount of his past indebtedness.

Very truly yours,

  
Charles S. Ingham, Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A. I. A.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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July 13, 1951

Dear Mr. Ingham:

Thank you for your letter of July 5th, advising that check has been forwarded to the New York Chapter for the indebtedness of Mr. Victor A. Rigauant for chapter dues.

We are attaching your letter to the file which is being held in abeyance pending the receipt of Mr. Rigauant's application for readmission to corporate membership in the A.I.A.

Yours sincerely,

J. W. Rankin  
Administrative Secretary

Mr. Charles S. Ingham, Secretary  
Pittsburgh Chapter, A.I.A.  
1211 Empire Building  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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October 24, 1951

Dear Mrs. Short:

Mr. Victor A. Rigault, now of Pittsburgh, Pa., and formerly a corporate member of the A.I.A. assigned to the New York Chapter has applied for readmission to membership and assignment to the Pittsburgh Chapter.

Mr. Rigault's previous membership lapsed for non-payment of dues, which he has now taken care of.

There still remains the question of whether or not there is any indebtedness to the New York Chapter on his part. We were advised under date of July 5, 1951, by the Secretary of the Pittsburgh Chapter, that a check had been sent to your Chapter for chapter dues, but we should have confirmation of this on Mr. Rigault's application file before final action is taken.

Will you let us know about this at your early convenience?

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
The Board of Examiners

Mrs. Janice C. Short, Executive Secretary  
New York Chapter, A.I.A.  
115 East 40th Street  
New York 16, New York

NEW YORK CHAPTER, A.I.A.

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November 5, 1951

Miss Florence H. Gervais, Secretary to  
The Board of Examiners  
The American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Miss Gervais:

This will advise you that VICTOR A. RIGAUMONT'S 1932  
debt was cleared up in June, 1951, and that he is there-  
fore a member in good standing.

This will also advise you that HERBERT L. BOGEN, who is  
requesting transfer to the Massachusetts State Association  
of Architects, A.I.A., is a member in good standing.

Sincerely yours,

(S) TERU MORIMOTO

Teru Morimoto  
Secretary to Executive Secretary

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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*Victor A. Rigauont  
Herbert L. Bogen*

November 14, 1951

Dear Mrs. Morimoto:

Thank you very much for yours of November 5th, with regard to the good standing of Messrs. Victor A. Rigauont and Herbert L. Bogen in the New York Chapter,

You understand, of course, that Mr. Rigauont's affiliation with the New York Chapter has been terminated, and that his readmission will be as an assigned member of the Pittsburgh Chapter, where he now is located. The requirement was that all of his past A.I.A. and chapter dues must be paid in full before his application for readmission could be put forward.

With regard to Mr. Bogen, we have not, as yet, heard whether his transfer to the Massachusetts State Association of Architects has its approval. Therefore, this transfer must be held in abeyance until we are so advised.

Notice will be sent of the transfer when it becomes effective.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to  
The Board of Examiners

Mrs. Teru Morimoto  
Secretary to Executive Secretary  
New York Chapter, A.I.A.  
115 East 40th Street  
New York 16, New York

January 1, 1952

Dear Mr. Rigauumont:

The Secretary is happy to inform you that your application for readmission to membership in The Institute was acted on favorably by The Board of Directors and that you were readmitted to corporate membership in The Institute and assigned to membership in The Pittsburgh Chapter, and the Pennsylvania Society of Architects, effective January 1, 1952. You will be a member of that Chapter, or of some other chapter if you later transfer thereto, until you membership in The Institute terminates.

The Board of Directors welcomes you again to membership in The Institute and The Secretary's office is at your service to the extent of its powers.

The policies and activities of The Institute are developed largely from problems arising within the chapters. By taking an active part in your chapter affairs, you will contribute to the advancement of the objects of The Institute and will increase the benefits to be derived from Institute membership.

We bespeak you active cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

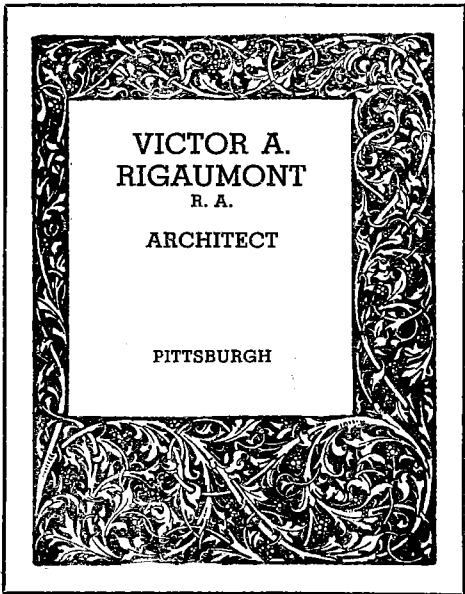
Secretary

Mr. Victor Albert Rigauumont, A.I.A.  
5471 Coral Street  
Pittsburgh 6, Pennsylvania

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TO  
Clair W. Ditchy, Secretary  
American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon, 1741 New York Ave. N.W.  
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Jan. 10, 1952

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of January 1, 1952

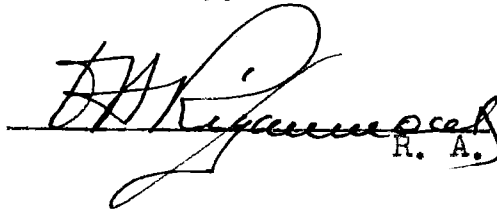
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Dear Mr. Ditchy:-

You are very kind to write me such  
a nice letter, and it is deeply appreciated.

I am happy to again be a member of  
the American Institute of Architects, and cer-  
tainly hope to be active and helpful.

Yours truly,

  
R. A.

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Rigaumont

8 January 1952


Mr. Victor Albert Rigaumont,  
Architect  
5471 Coral Street  
Pittsburgh 6, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Rigaumont,

I have notice of your 1 January readmission to corporate membership in The American Institute of Architects. Permit me to congratulate you and be one of those to welcome your return to this interesting professional workshop.

During my tenure of office I hope you will feel free to advise me in the conduct of District affairs. If at anytime I can serve you I am at your command.

Cordially yours,

  
C. E. Silling

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cc: B. Kenneth Johnstone  
" Mr. Purves



*member  
Rigaumont, V.A.*

Administration Building  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.

July 15, 1953

Re: Letter No. 744

Dear Mr. Rigaumont:

Replying to the query in your letter of July 11 regarding the exhibitor of a pre-stressed reinforced concrete partition panel, I have been trying to track this down and while I do not have definite assurance, I believe that you will find the company was the Porete Manufacturing Company of North Arlington, New Jersey.

They manufacture pre-stressed lightweight concrete units of various kinds. I believe if you will write to them, they can determine what you are after.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Holmes  
Convention Manager

Mr. Victor A. Rigaumont, AIA  
Studio Building  
5471 Coral Street  
Pittsburgh 6, Pennsylvania

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*Members  
Rigamont, Victor Albert*



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
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Office of The Secretary

Feb. 9, 1962

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

To: Victor Albert Rigamont  
5471 Coral St.  
Pittsburgh 6, Pa.

It is with much regret that we send to you, and to your chapter secretary, this notice of the suspension of your corporate membership in The Institute, and in its component organizations to which you are assigned—because of non-payment of Institute dues.

This suspension is effective as of December 31, 1961. The sending of this notice has been delayed with the earnest wish that you might take some action in the matter.

The purpose of The Institute in permitting a membership to be suspended at the end of the year for default of dues rather than terminated forthwith is to enable the member in default to *restore his membership within the period of suspension, without applying therefor and without paying a readmission fee.* The period of grace terminates on December 31 of the year next following the date of suspension: in your case, on December 31 of the current year.

At any time during the period of suspension you may restore your membership to good standing by paying to The Institute your defaulted dues.

We sincerely hope that circumstances will make it convenient for you to meet your present obligation to The Institute before December 31, 1962.

The Institute values and needs your active support. The other Officers join with me in the hope that your membership may soon be restored to good standing.

Sincerely yours,

*James K. Hess*  
SECRETARY

Copy of this notice as "Notice" to the following:

- ..... G. M. Weber ..... Exec., Secretary
- ..... Pittsburgh ..... Chapter, A.I.A.
- ..... James R. Poffner ..... Exec., Secretary
- ..... State Organization Member

This copy of notice to the corporate member named herein is official notice of the suspension of his membership in The Institute and in the chapter to which he is assigned. Please note on your records accordingly.

Until you receive notification of the restoration of membership or of its termination, the member named should be carried on your rolls as a *suspended* Institute member. You will be advised if and when his membership is restored to good standing.

cc: James K. Hess, Secy., Pittsburgh Chapter, AIA  
Paul Rodda, Secy., Pa. Soc. of Archs., AIA  
Clifford Coleman, Treas., Pa. Soc. of Archs., AIA

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Office of The Secretary

TERMINATION  
NOTICE OF ~~SUSPENSION~~ OF MEMBERSHIP

March 5, 1963

To: V. A. Rigalmond  
600 S. W. 6th Ave.  
Boca Raton, Fla.

It is with much regret that we send to you, and to those indicated below, this notice of termination of your corporate membership in The Institute, and in its component organizations to which you are assigned—because of nonpayment of Institute dues.

This termination is effective as of December 31, 1962. The sending of this notice has been delayed with the earnest wish that you might take some action in the matter.

We sincerely hope that circumstances will make it convenient for you to meet your present obligation to The Institute and to apply for readmission.

The Institute values and needs your active support. The other Officers join with me in the hope that the loss of your membership is only temporary.

Sincerely yours,

*Clinton Gault*  
SECRETARY

Copy of this notice as "Notice" to the following:

- .....Gertrude M. Weber..... Exec., Secretary
- .....Pittsburgh..... Chapter, A.I.A.
- .....James R. Peifer..... Exec., Secretary
- .....Pa. Soc. of Archts..... State Organization Member

This copy of notice to the former member named herein is your official notice of the termination of his membership in The Institute and in the chapter to which he was assigned. Please change your records accordingly.

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To,  
Clinton Lambie  
Secretary A.I.A.

Boca Raton Fla.  
April 2-1968

1735 New York Ave. Washington D.C.

It seems you fellows are getting deeper into trouble!

The Ex. Sec. of P.S.A. wrote stating I am a delinquent, that if by Feb 21, 63 I did not pay tribute, I would be fired. You wrote on March 5, 63 (but mailed letter March 29, 63) with the final blow. Meanwhile, March 28, 63 the A.I.A. in Pittsburgh wrote, if I pay up, all is forgiven.

Legally, none of this shows any sense. If the Ex. Sec. of P.S.A. would have had the decency to simply write my letter of Feb 8, 63 you people would not be damaging me, a member of A.I.A. since Oct 15, 1927. Broadcasting that I am a delinquent is vicious and injurious.

It seems my recourse will be in Federal Court, with a few Co-defendants. This may also disclose the status of the P.S.A., the A.I.A. and its affiliates.

W. H. Zimmerman ex. A.I.A.

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*Rigaumont, Victor Albert*

April 17, 1963

Mr. James P. Peifer, Executive Secretary  
Pennsylvania Society of Architects, AIA  
708 Payne-Shoemaker Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Jim:

Enclosed is a photocopy of a letter dated  
April 2 from Mr. Rigaumont.

Can you shed any light on the background  
for his remarks, aside from the obvious?

Yours very truly,



J. W. Rankin  
Director  
Administrative Services

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