

Perry, R. Kenyon
Georgia

Feb. 20, 1925
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Application for Membership

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 R. Kenyon Perry

Address 240 Westminster Dr. Atlanta Ga.
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth At Thompson, Ala. Aug. 4 - 1890

Graduate in architecture Certificate in Architecture, Ala. Poly. Inst. 1911
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation Auburn Ala.]

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 Ecole 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 Georgia Chapter

If practicing architect, firm name Robert and Company Inc. (Member of Firm)

Have been in practice Fourteen (14) years

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

Collegiate and office training Ala. Poly Inst. — B.B. Smith (Montg Ala), Harison Bleckley - Walker & Chase, Edward E. Longhertz - Robert and Co. Inc. (Atlanta Ga.)

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.

R. Kenyon Perry
[Signature of Applicant.]

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

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date _____
[Insert date of election to chapter.]

Secretary.

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.

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Feb 20 1925
Perry, R. Kenyon
Assoc. Sec.
must send
On File, Com. of

(1) Arthur Noel Robinson

(2) Walter L. Stevens

(3) Edw. Perry, Secy. Ga. Chapter

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect could 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. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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

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March 10, 1925.

Dear Mr. Perry:-

Permit me to acknowledge with gratification, and on behalf of the Secretary, your application for membership in the American Institute of Architects.

In order that your application may be acted upon at the earliest possible moment it is hoped that you will send at your early convenience the customary routine exhibits.

These should consist of working drawings and photographs of two executed buildings which need not be specially prepared, may be taken from your office files, and will be carefully returned later.

Acknowledgment is also made of your remittance of \$5.00 to cover the Preliminary Fee.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. R. Kennon Perry,
240 Westminister Drive,
Atlanta, Georgia.

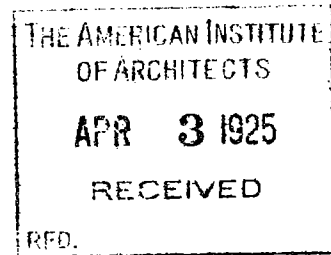
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ROBERT AND COMPANY
INCORPORATED
ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS
ATLANTA

April 1st, 1925.



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

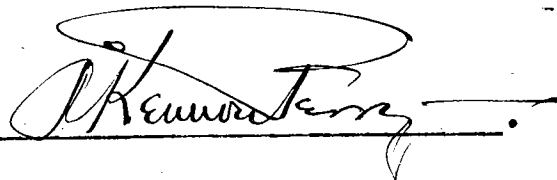
Attention: Mr. E.C. Kemper.

Gentlemen:-

Several days ago I sent you two sets of plans and photographs of executed work done by me, this is in accordance with your request of March 10th which refers to my application for membership in the American Institute of Architects.

Trusting that you have received same in good order, I am,

Yours very truly,

BY 

R. Kennon Perry - Architect.

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

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July 16, 1925.

My dear Mr. Perry:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective July 15, 1925.

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

The enclosed statement covering dues for the last half of the current year should receive your early attention.

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. R. Kennon Perry,
240 Westminister Drive,
Atlanta, Ga.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
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October 20, 1931.

Dear Mr. Perry:

As you know, the Institute is most hopeful that you will maintain your professional society affiliations, both with the national organization and with the Georgia Chapter.

Your indebtedness for Institute dues at the present time is \$75.00, including the current year.

At the Fall meeting of the Board of Directors, on November 19th, some action must be taken with respect to those delinquents who are indebted for a long period.

This letter is an informal one, to remind you of the situation, and to express the very earnest hope that you can send a check for at least \$25 by November 15th, thus permitting the Board to hold your membership in both the Institute and the Chapter for at least another year.

Please do the best you can to make the suggested payment on account.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Mr. H. Kennan Perry, A.I.A.,
Georgia Chapter,
1001-2 Wynne-Claughton Bldg.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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cc-President Georgia Chapter
Secretary
Regional Director
South Atlantic Division

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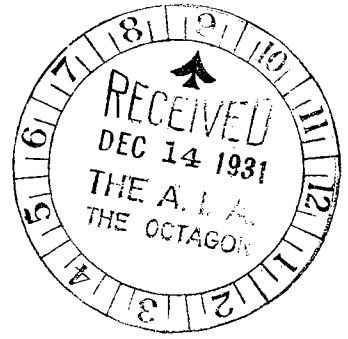
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GEORGIA CHAPTER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
ATLANTA, GA.



December 11, 1931

Mr. R. Kennon Perry, Architect,
1084 St. Augustine Place, N.E.
Atlanta,
Georgia.

Dear Perry :-

As President of the Chapter, it is my fortune (or misfortune) to receive copies of letters written from the Parent body in Washington, to the individual members.

This morning I received a copy of a letter written you by the Executive Secretary, saying that you were about to be dropped on account of non-payment of dues.

Old man, we need you in the Institute. Can't you arrange the matter in some way so that you we'n't be dropped?

Personally I have always felt that you were one of the aggressive ones, and that we "old fogies" needed your kind. Please stick - for the good of the profession.

Yours cordially,

Richard W. Alger,
PRESIDENT

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 1, 1932.

Dear Mr. Perry:

It is with genuine regret that I write, as Secretary of the Institute, to advise you of the termination of your membership in the Institute and your Chapter, effective December 31, 1931, for non-payment of Institute dues.

The Treasurer, and the Secretary's Office, sent to you various statements of account and letters in the hope that you would find it possible to make a remittance, in whole or in part, and thereby continue your affiliation with The American Institute of Architects and your Chapter.

It is realized that conditions in the building industry have remained on a most unfavorable basis during the past year, and for that reason the Institute made a special effort to retain your membership as long as possible.

It is believed that you will approve of the action taken. The alternative was to allow the dues to so increase as to make future reinstatement a heavy expense.

May I venture to express the personal hope that conditions in your locality will soon improve, and that you will then make application for reinstatement in the Institute and the Chapter?

The reinstatement procedure is easy and can be accomplished by addressing a letter to the Secretary of the Institute thru the Secretary of the local Chapter.

With best wishes, and with the hope that we may soon regain you as a member of The American Institute of Architects, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Mr. R. Kennon Perry,
1001-2 Wynne-Claughton Bldg.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 31, 1947

Dear Mr. Millkey:

Responding to yours of January 21st, received on the 28th:

The status of the two former members about whom you inquire is as follows:

Chas. W. J.: Membership terminated on December 31, 1929, at which time he owed for Institute dues for the years 1928 and 1929 in the amount of \$50.00.

Perry, Kennon R.: Membership terminated on December 31, 1931, at which time he owed for Institute dues for the years 1929 to 1931, inclusive, in the total amount of \$58.34.

It is noted that the Executive Committee of the Georgia Chapter has voted to cancel chapter dues in arrears of these former members and recommends their readmission to corporate membership.

If these former members will write letters addressed to The Secretary of The Institute, stating that they are practising, registered architects, and requesting readmission, further procedure can be handled at this office. Such letters should be accompanied at least by payments of \$30.00 - \$5.00 for the readmission fee, and \$25.00 for one year's Institute dues in advance.

With regard to their past Institute dues, The Board of Examiners (which is empowered to consider and recommend action on requests for waiver of past dues) depends upon the chapter's recommendation for suggested action. The Chapter Executive Committee is in a better position to know the circumstances of the individual architects in its locality and to base its recommendations on such knowledge.

Forms for such recommendations have been prepared and several are sent herewith in case you might find them useful.

If we can be of any further assistance, let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Herbert C. Millkey, Secretary
Georgia Chapter, A.I.A.
Silvey Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Executive Director

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PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 18, 1947

Dear Mr. Skinner:

With further reference to the recommendation of the Georgia Chapter that the past Institute dues of Mr. R. Kennon Perry be remitted in full:

The Secretary is happy to inform you that The Board of Directors acted favorably on the recommendation and Mr. Perry's Institute dues for the years 1929 to 1931, inclusive, in the total amount of \$58.34 have been remitted.

Mr. Perry has been advised - as per attached copy of letter.

Sincerely yours,

Alexander C. Robinson III

Secretary

Mr. James L. Skinner, Jr., Secretary
Georgia Chapter, A.I.A.
501 Henry Grady Building
Atlanta, Georgia

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Enclosure

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 18, 1947

Dear Mr. Perry:

The Secretary is happy to inform you that, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Georgia Chapter, The Board of Directors of The Institute has remitted your past indebtedness for Institute dues for the years 1929 to 1931, inclusive, in the total amount of \$58.34.

This action permitted immediate consideration of your application for readmission, which was acted on favorably by The Board and you were readmitted to corporate membership and assigned to the Georgia Chapter, effective June 14, 1947. You will be a member of that chapter, or of some other chapter if you later transfer thereto, until your membership in The Institute terminates.

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

The policies and the 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 your active cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Alexander C. Robinson III.

Secretary

Mr. R. Kennon Perry, A.I.A.
Mortgage Guarantee Building
Atlanta, Georgia

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Enclosures

Copy to the Secretary,
Georgia Chapter, A.I.A.



THE GEORGIA CHAPTER, THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

INCORPORATED

October 20, 1954

Mrs. R. Kennon Perry
1649 Lady Marion Lane, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Perry:

I am enclosing herewith a testimonial on
Richard Kennon Perry which was prepared by
Arthur Neil Robinson, Sr. This testimonial was
read at the September 16th meeting of the entire
Georgia Chapter.

Very truly yours,

John W. Cherry,
Secretary, A. I. A.

JWC/jc

Encl.

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

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RICHARD KENNON PERRY, A.I.A.

1890 - 1954

As generations parade across the stage of time, there occasionally appears one individual whose ability and talents place him above the rank and file of the others, and one whose personal characteristics endear him to his fellow men.

So it was with Richard Kennon Perry, whose passing on August 29, 1954, has saddened the hearts of all who knew him, particularly his fellow members of the Georgia Chapter, American Institute of Architects.

The fact that much of his best architectural work was located out of Atlanta, together with the fact that his modesty prevented him from "Letting his light so shine that all men might see it", kept many of the younger men in the Profession from knowing the beauty of his architectural design, and from knowing and appreciating his work as an artist.

Bulloch County, and Union Springs, Alabama, can take pride in being the birth place and childhood home of Mr. Perry.

He was a graduate in Architecture of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, where he was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

As an Architect, he was registered to practice in the states of Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

He was a Member of The American Institute of Architects, having joined in 1925. He was, at the time of his passing, one of the Directors of The Georgia Chapter, A.I.A. The Georgia Chapter was indeed fortunate in having as a member of its Executive Committee a man of Mr. Perry's sound judgment during one of the most active periods in the Chapter's history.

He was active in cultural, civic, fraternal, and social affairs through membership in the Atlanta Art Association, the Atlanta Historical Society, the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, Gate City Lodge No. 2, F&AM, the Scottish Rite, the Yeareb Temple, The Lions Club, the Atlanta Alumni of Phi Delta Theta, and the Atlanta Auburn Club. He was formerly a member of the Capitol City Club.

His Church membership was with St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

His wife was the former Miss Wyolene Partell, of Atlanta.

After his graduation from Alabama Polytechnic Institute he worked for some years with Edward Emmett Dougherty, A.D.C.P., Architect of Atlanta. An example of his excellent work while with Mr. Dougherty is the detailing of the residence for Dr. Phinizy Calhoun.

After Mr. Dougherty closed his Atlanta office to devote full attention to his Nashville practice, Mr. Perry became associated with Robert and Company as Architect where he remained for a number of years. His work here covered many types of buildings and extended into several states. One of the well known jobs done by him while with Robert and Company was the Physics Building for Georgia Institute of Technology.

After leaving Robert and Company, Mr. Perry entered the independent practice of Architecture. Outstanding among the many prominent projects he designed are the homes of the Garland Jones', the Tom Parrott's, the Ellis Peniston's, the William Bank's, the Raleigh Arnold's, and the Dan Manjet's, all of Newnan, Georgia.

The design and detailing of Mr. Perry's traditional work bears the marks of a true master. His numerous schools, churches, and residences are a credit to the Profession. He had the ability to incorporate into his design that rare quality of charm and refinement that placed his work in a class far above average.

As an artist, Mr. Perry was equally at home in the mediums of water colors, and oils. Several of his water colors were used by Architectural Record as covers. His work has been exhibited at the High Museum of Art.

Mr. Perry's life exemplified the "Golden Rule", "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

An incident which affected the writer is used as an illustration.

Upon my return from Europe in the fall of 1938, I found that my mail contained correspondence relating to two projects of which I had no knowledge.

Investigation revealed that Atlanta School Officials were applying to one of the Federal Agencies for financial assistance in the construction of additional school facilities, and that two projects had been allocated to me.

At a meeting between School Officials and the various Architects, my absence was noted and inquiry was made as to my whereabouts.

When Mr. Perry heard that I was in Europe on a trip of several months duration, and that my absence from the City would cause me to loose the jobs which had been allocated to me, he volunteered to carry them on for me until my return.

What could have been more generous, considerate, and unselfish than that? This incident typifies Mr. Perry's whole life.

The communities in which he has worked, the Profession of Architecture, the Georgia Chapter, American Institute of Architects, and his many friends have all been blessed and have profited by knowing and associating with Richard Kennon Perry. He was truly blessed of His Father.

Arthur Neal Robinson, F.A.I.A.

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