

Roth, Emery  
New York

Application for Membership

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Ex. 11th  
9/19/27  
6/15/28

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects.

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

August 11th, 19 27, 28
Prelim. Fee Pd. \$5.00 9/19/27 6/15/28
Initiation .....
Verify that the following state.....
Exhibits <i>must send</i> .....
On Priv. Com. of.....

Name..... Emery Roth, (Office 1440 Broadway).....

Address..... 210 West 101st Street, N.Y...... New York.  
 [Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth..... Hungary..... July 17th, 1871.

Graduate in architecture..... No  
 [If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation.]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture..... No  
 [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..... No  
 [If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

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

If practicing architect, firm name..... Emery Roth

Have been in practice 28 years. If draughtsman, employed by.....

Collegiate and office training..... 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.

(1) *Emery Roth*  
[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..... (2).....  
[Insert date of election to chapter.] [Signature of the Secretary of the chapter.]

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

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

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

Registration or License Number. (4) *Dr. Everett Waid*  
 (Essential if Registered) (5) *Thomas Hastings*  
 (6) *William House*

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

(7) Registration # 135.  
NUMBER

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

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NEW YORK CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

101 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK

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WILLIAM O. LUDLOW VICE PRESIDENT

WILLIAM HARMON BEERS SECRETARY



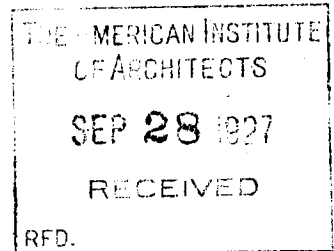
CHARLES H. HIGGINS TREASURER

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EMMA RIEDEL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

September 26, 1927

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,  
The American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon  
Washington, D. C.



Dear Mr. Kemper:

Enclosed you will find check  
for \$5.00, covering initiation fee, and  
Institute Membership application from

MR. EMERY ROTH

Mr. Roth's endorsers are

Mr. D. Everett Waid  
Mr. Thomas Hastings  
Mr. William L. Rouse

Yours very truly,

*William Harmon Beers*

WM. HARMON BEERS  
Secretary

CC to Mr. Mathesius

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

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September 29, 1927.

Dear Mr. Roth:-

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

The application is complete in every respect except for the customary routine exhibits - which should consist of photographs and working drawings of two executed buildings which need not be specially prepared, may be taken from your office files, and will be carefully returned in due course.

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

Cordially yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Emery Roth,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

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EMERY ROTH

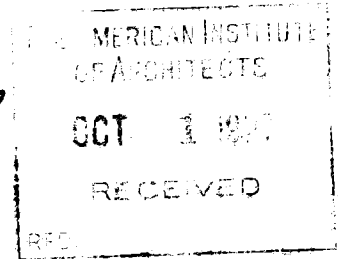
ARCHITECT

1440 BROADWAY

NEW YORK

TELEPHONE PENNSYLVANIA 3639-40

September 30th, 1927



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

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of the 29th inst.  
I have sent you under separate cover, photographs  
of Ritz Tower, and the Drake Hotel, 56th Street and  
Park Avenue, both buildings designed by me during  
the last year. Ritz Tower is at 57th Street & Park Ave.

Yours very truly,

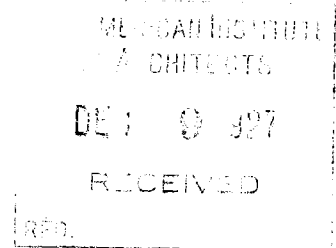
*Emery Roth*

EMERY ROTH

ARCHITECT  
1440 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK

TELEPHONE PENNSYLVANIA 3639-40

December 8th, 1927.



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

Dear Sir:

On September 30th, I sent to you photograph of the "Ritz Tower", at 57th Street & Park Avenue, a 42 story apartment hotel, also a photograph of "The Drake", at 56th Street & Park Avenue, a 15 Story Apartment Building, but up to the present time have <sup>sent</sup> nothing further from you.

I would like to know whether my application has been favorably acted on, and whether I shall receive in due course a copy of the Journal of the American Institute.

Trusting to hear from you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

*Emery Roth*  
R.R.

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EMERY ROTH

1440 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

December 10, 1927.

Dear Mr. Roth:-

In response to yours of the 8th, the exhibits submitted in connection with your application for Institute Membership have been safely received and we should be in a position to advise you concerning the action taken on or about December 30.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Emery Roth,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

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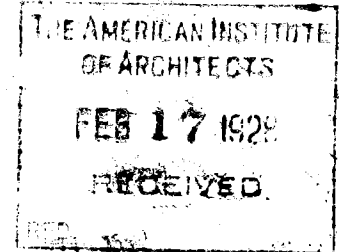
P. S. Your exhibits will be returned in due course.

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EMERY ROTH  
ARCHITECT  
1440 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK

TELEPHONE PENNSYLVANIA 3639-40

February 16th, 1928.



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

Attention of Mr. Kemper.

Dear Sir:

On September 29th, 1927, I made an application for membership in the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, and was informed by letter dated December 10th, that by December 30th, I shall be advised concerning your action.

Will you kindly let me know what action, if any, has been taken in reference to my application, and oblige,

Very truly yours,

*Emery Roth*

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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EMERY ROTH

1440 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK

TELEPHONE: BR 1-1111

February 17, 1928

Mr. Emery Roth,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Roth:-

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of the 16th,  
and to say that we will be in a position to advise you  
concerning the action taken on your application the moment  
it is released by the New York Chapter. Should you care to  
address a note of inquiry to the Chapter, the Secretary is  
Mr. William Harmon Beers, 101 Park Avenue, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Emery Roth,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

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June 19, 1928.

Dear Mr. Roth:-

The formalities of your election to The American Institute of Architects have been completed except in one respect.

The new By-law amendment provides that the dues of the first year must be paid at the time of election. The dues are \$25.00 a year, and in the year of election are applied to the ensuing twelve months following the date of election.

If you will send check accordingly - covering dues for one full year - we will be in a position to send formal notice of election and the engrossed Certificate of Membership.

Very sincerely yours,

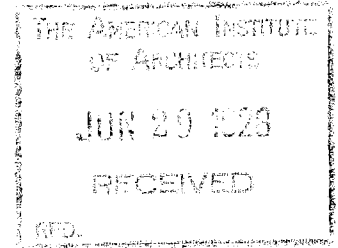
Executive Secretary.

Mr. Emery Roth,  
210 West 101st Street,  
New York, N. Y.

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EMERY ROTH, ARCHITECT  
1440 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK

June 28th, 1928.



American Institute of Architects,  
1741 New York Avenue,  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your letter of recent date, I beg  
to enclose my check of \$25.00. for dues.

Yours very truly,

*Emery Roth* ERT

*7/9/28*  
*for dues of \$25.00*

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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July 10, 1928.

Dear Mr. Roth:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective June 15, 1928.

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

The engrossed Certificate of Membership will reach you in due course.

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

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Emery Roth,  
1440 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

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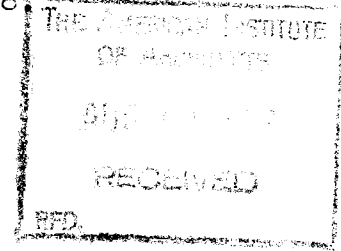
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EMERY ROTH, ARCHITECT  
1440 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK

August 9th, 1928

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



Gentlemen:

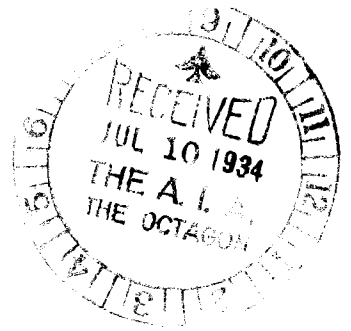
I beg to acknowledge with thanks receipt  
of your Bulletin, also engraved membership notification  
in the American Institute of Architects.

Yours very truly,

*Emery Roth*

EMERY ROTH, ARCHITECT  
18 EAST 48<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
NEW YORK

July 9th, 1934.



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

Gentlemen:-

On April 16th, 1934, I mailed a check to you of \$15.00. for my dues in the American Institute of Architects for 1934, and up to date have not received acknowledgment nor has the check been paid by our bank. Will you kindly let me know whether you have any record of having received it, or possibly it has been lost in the mail. If so, I will stop payment and send you another.

Thanking you for this information, I remain,

Very truly yours,

*Emery Roth*

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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<sup>3</sup>  
COPY

July 16, 1934

Dear Mr. Roth:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 9th.

We have made a careful check of our records and find that your check for dues for 1934, in the amount of \$15.00, has never been received, at this office.

Evidently, it has been lost in the mails, and as you suggest, payment thereon should be stopped at once.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Emory Roth,  
18 East 40th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

K/g

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October 22, 1935

Dear Miss Christie:

We received, yesterday, your letter of October 19th and check in the amount of \$10.00 from Mr. Emery Roth, in payment of his Institute dues. Your attention to this matter is much appreciated.

*For P.O. Recd  
22 1935  
Hopton*

As requested, we are sending, herewith, fifty copies of the Institute's document on the Schedule of Minimum Charges.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to Executive Secretary.

W/g  
Enclosures

Miss Marion Christie, Executive Secretary,  
New York Chapter, A.I.A.,  
522 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

Roth, Emory

Roth,  
Emory

# EMERY ROTH DIES; NOTED ARCHITECT

Specialist in Apartment Houses  
Since 1898 Designed Ritz  
Tower, St. George Hotels

Emery Roth, noted New York architect since 1898 who specialized in apartment houses and hotels and designed the St. George Hotel in Brooklyn and the Ritz Tower Hotel, Manhattan, died yesterday in Mount Sinai Hospital after a long illness, at the age of 77.

Mr. Roth was the senior partner in the architectural firm of Emery Roth & Sons, 18 East Forty-eighth Street, with his sons, Julian and Richard Roth of New York. He had lived at the Hotel Alden, 225 Central Park West, which he designed.

The Ritz Tower was completed in 1926 for the late Arthur Brisbane, Hearst editor and columnist. The St. George was finished four years later. Altogether Mr. Roth designed more than 500 apartment buildings in New York.

### Designed Many Hotels

Some of the structures he designed were the Mayflower Hotel, Central Park West and Sixty-first Street; Oliver Cromwell Hotel, 12 West Seventy-second Street; Eldorado Apartments, 300 Central Park West; Dorset Hotel, 30 West Fifty-fourth Street; Drake Hotel, 440 Park Avenue, and the St. Moritz Hotel, 500 Central Park South.

When he was 13 and an orphan, Mr. Roth came alone to America from his native Czechoslovakia in search of an uncle in Chicago, whose street address he did not have. He never found the uncle, but at 14 became an office boy in an architect's office in Bloomington, Ill. In 1889-90 Mr. Roth was an apprentice draftsman in an architect's office in Kansas City and in 1890-93 he was associated in Chicago with the architectural firm of Burnham & Root, which had a part in designing the Chicago world's fair.

In 1893 Mr. Roth arrived in New York and joined the architect Richard M. Hunt. He aided Mr. Hunt in designing many suburban home interiors for wealthy home owners. Five years later he established his own architect's office here. He practiced alone until 1938, when his sons became his partners.

### Won Prize for Work

Mr. Roth designed the Hotel Beverly, Lexington Avenue and Fiftieth Street; the San Remo Towers, an apartment house at Central Park West between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth Streets, and the Normandy, an apartment house at 140 Riverside Drive. The office building he and his sons designed for Fifty-ninth Street and Park Avenue is nearing completion. He also did hospital work.

Several years ago he received a certificate of merit from the First Avenue Association for his design of an apartment house at 434 East Fifty-second Street. Later Mr. Roth won the first prize of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce for his design of an apartment house at 35 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn. This year the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects awarded to him its apartment-house design medal for 1948 for his design of 300 East Fifty-seventh Street, an apartment house.

He was a member of the institute and of the National Democratic Club, City Athletic Club, Metropolis Club and the Central Synagogue.

His wife, the former Miss Ella Grossman, died in 1943. Besides his sons, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Raymond D. Mindlin of New York and Mrs. Herbert Lederer of Cleveland, and two sisters, Mrs. Max Schlesinger and Mrs. Bella Grossman of New York.

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