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Received February 27, 19 41.  
NOT Granted February 27, 19 41.  
RE-OPENED - GRANTED JUNE 6, 1942  
MEMBERSHIP NO 765

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

#### RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant . . . Barnett Sumner Gruzen . . . Chapter . . . New Jersey
- B Address of applicant . . . 921 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey
- C Applicant proposed by . . . Hugh A. Kelly . . . and . . . Rudolph Kruger
- D Application received with check for \$25.00 . . . on . . . February 27, 19 41.  
RE-OPENED & NEW CHECK FOR \$10 REC'D . . . April 26 1942
- E Application returned for correction . . . 19
- F Application in due order on . . . May 20 19 42  
Record of registration, Form S39, Sent . N. J. . - MAY 18 . 19 42. Received. . . May 22 19 42
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
  - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on . . . 19 . . . on . . . 19
  - (b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on . . . 19 . . . on . . . 19
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on . . . February 27, 19 41.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending ~~admission~~  
~~except~~ application be denied received on . . . February 27, 19 41.  
CHAPTER RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING ADMISSION REC'D . . . May 16, 1942
- J No report from chapter executive committee on . . . 19
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on . . . JUNE 2, 1942.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on . . . JUNE 2, 1942.
- M Applicant not admitted on . . . February 27, 19 41.  
APPLICANT WAS ADMITTED ON . . . JUNE 6 1942
- N Notice ~~made~~ to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter  
to proposers on . . . JUNE 6, 1942.
- O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$.25.00 . . .  
returned to applicant on . . . February 27, 1941.

#### 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

- Barnett Sumner Gruzen -

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

Date June 6 19 42.

*Chas. J. Lyman*  
Secretary

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ORIGINAL

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

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

The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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

1. My full name is Barnett Sumner Gruz en

2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

2. I am a Naturalized citizen of United States

3. My legal residence is in the City of Maplewood } After  
County of Essex State of New Jersey } October 1st, 1940

4. State whether residence or office address.

4. My address in The Institute records will be

Street 921 Bergen Avenue }  
City Jersey City State New Jersey } office

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

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

6. I desire to be a member of the New Jersey Chapter.

7. I declare that I have read the by-laws, the rules and regulations, and the Standards of Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and the by-laws and rules and regulations of the chapter of which I desire to become a member, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities and obligations thereunder of a member of The Institute, and I do hereby expressly agree and declare that, if admitted to membership, I will to the best of my ability abide by and comply with such by-laws, rules and regulations, and will abide by and uphold said Standards of Practice and conduct my practice of the profession accordingly. I am financially able to undertake all pecuniary obligations of a member to The Institute and to the chapter.

8. Receipt required.

8. I filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the chapter above named and attach his receipt therefor. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its chapters or state association members.

9. I enclose my check for \$ , for admission fee and the current annual dues. It is my understanding that if for any reason you do not admit me to membership, all of said amount will be returned to me, except five dollars which you will retain as an examination fee.

Date 19 .

*Barnett Sumner Gruz en*  
Applicant sign full name in ink

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STATISTICS

10. Date of birth July 25, 1903 Place of birth Russia

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

(State or States) By Examination

(State or States) By Exemption

- ✓New York
New Jersey

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

EDUCATION

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

- Chelsea High School - Chelsea, Mass.
Berkeley Prep. - Boston, Mass.
Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Boston, Mas
E'cole Des Beaux Arts --Paris, France

Scholarships

- Emerson Scholarship for Master Degree Study at M.I.T.
Rotch Travelling fellowship - 1930 - 1932

I have travelled in the following countries:

- France, England, Italy, Spain, Africa, Austria, Czechoslovakia,
Scotland, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland,
etc.

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:

Table with 3 columns: Year, Employer/Location, and Classification. Rows include 1922 (S. S. Eisenberg, Boston, Mass - Designer), 1923 (Ritchie Parsons & Taylor, Boston, Mass. - Designer and Detailer), 1924 (Ritchie, Parsons & Taylor, St. Petersburg, Fla - Designer and Detailer), 1926 (Perry, Shaw & Hepburn - Boston, Mass & Williamsburgh, Va. Archeological Reproduction & Detailer), 1927 (Guy Lowell - Boston - Designer), 1928-1930 (In practice in New York and New Jersey also employed by Emery Roth & Co.), 1930-1932 (Traveling Abroad), 1932-1940 (Practicing Architecture in the state of New York and New Jersey).

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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 have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith. (State names of firms or corporations and of schools or colleges)

New Jersey 1929 - 1940  
 New York 1930 - 1940

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 15. Member of Institute from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Junior of Institute from 1926 to 1933 *Member and president American New Jersey - 6/5/42*
- 17. Associate of \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. Junior Associate of \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- 19. Member of State Association in New Jersey from 1928 to 1933

ENDORSEMENT BY PROPOSERS

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

I have known the applicant for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

I have known the applicant for 10 years.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

*Hugh F. Kelley*  
 Proposer  
 a2a  
 921 Bergen Ave  
 Jersey City

*Frederick Meyer*  
 Proposer  
 a2a  
 11 Hill St.  
 Newark

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NEW JERSEY CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

February 26, 1941

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary, A.I.A.  
The Octagon  
1741 New York Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I am enclosing herewith an application form for Institute Membership by B. Sumner Gruzen. This was considered at the last meeting of our Executive Board and was not approved for the following reason:

On February 9, 1940 Mr. Gruzen wrote to you inquiring about joining the Institute and the letter included the following paragraph:

"Years past I was a junior member of The Institute, but times did not permit my joining as a full fledged member. I moved my offices this month and took the liberty of putting the A.I.A. on my new stationery which I had to have made. I felt there would be no question about my being accepted since I conform with all the requirements and I didn't wish to go to the expense of having my stationery reprinted."

You answered this letter on March 7 and your letter contained the following paragraphs:

"The use of the initials "A.I.A." following an architect's name, or use in any way in connection with his work, is a privilege granted only to corporate members of The Institute, and the use of the initials by an architect not a member of The Institute becomes a serious matter, subject to legal restraint.

"Pending action by the New Jersey Chapter and the Board of Examiners of The Institute on your application, if such is received, we request the discontinuance of your use of the initials "A.I.A." in any manner."

I enclose various letters which I have received from Mr. Gruzen from which you will note that in most cases the

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Mr. E. C. Kemper

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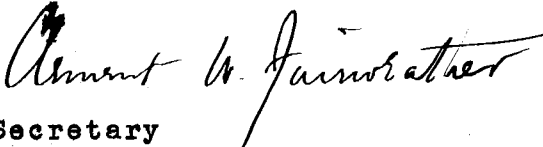
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letters "A.I.A." after his name have been blocked out. However, his letter dated February 10, 1941 and its envelope and also the check which accompanied his application bear the name "B. Sumner Gruzen, A.I.A."

Our Executive Committee felt that until we had definite knowledge that Mr. Gruzen has completely dropped all use of the initials "A.I.A." we should not approve his application, and I was directed to forward the papers to you for such action as may seem most desirable.

The check should ultimately be returned to Mr. Gruzen and the other papers to me.

Yours cordially,

  
Secretary

CWF:MS  
Enclosure

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

Copy to: Director,  
Middle Atlantic District, A.I.A.  
Secretary,  
New Jersey Chapter, A.I.A.  
Proposers:  
Messrs. Hugh A. Kelly, A.I.A.  
Rudolph Kruger, A.I.A.

February 27, 1941

Dear Mr. Gruzen:

The Secretary regrets to notify you that your application for membership in The Institute and its New Jersey Chapter was not granted upon recommendation of the chapter.

We have been advised by the Executive Committee of the New Jersey Chapter that until there is definite knowledge that you have completely discontinued all use of the initials "A.I.A.", your application for corporate membership in The Institute and the New Jersey Chapter should not be approved.

The present action was taken without prejudice and will not act in any manner as a bar to your reapplication and future admission.

The check in the amount of \$25.00 which was attached to your application is returned herewith, as agreed.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen  
921 Bergen Avenue,  
Jersey City, New Jersey

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NEW JERSEY SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

AND

NEW JERSEY CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Feb. 11, 1942.

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Exec. Sec'y.,  
1741 New York Ave., N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ed.:

Herewith original application of Mr. Stanley  
A. Leeks, Clifton, N.J., with his check to the order  
of the Institute (\$10).

His duplicate application with his Chapter  
check (\$6) is being mailed same mail to Mr. Fairweather,  
Sec'y.

I expect to receive one or more applications  
at the Chapter meeting tomorrow - to be mailed promptly.

To change the subject to Mr. B. Sumner Gruzen,  
an applicant of about a year ago, of whom we talked in  
October or November, I think you said his application  
anew could not come up until March 1st. I had a talk  
with him, for the first time either of us has mentioned  
the subject to the other, yesterday. This because if  
he is thinking of making application I would rather han-  
dle it now with the others. But I need information;

Is a new application required, or will the for-  
mer one serve? (If the latter, have you the former ap-  
plication, or was it sent back to the Chapter Sec'y).  
Mr. Gruzen did not get it back.

Have you his check (\$25) or was it sent back to  
the Chapter Sec'y? Mr. Gruzen did not get it back, nor  
has it come back through the banks; nor has payment of  
it been stopped (Mr. Gruzen for some reason thinks you  
may have or did send it to the Chapter Sec'y).

Naturally I have heard all the pros and cons of  
this from the Chapter side at meetings the past year, and  
now have heard from Mr. Gruzen (at my initiative). To me  
the whole thing seems a misunderstanding based on his  
thought that as a Junior (He thought Junior Member) he  
was entitled to use the A.I.A initials. Wrong, of course;  
but in this membership drive I had one member of a local  
society, a branch of the N.J. Society, who said his mem-

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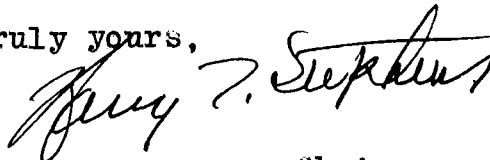


bership in the local society made him an A.I.A. member as he understood things, or what was he paying dues for. So why was I suggesting that he consider applying for A.I.A. membership?

I very much fear that the public and many others don't take in that one may be an Associate, a Junior, an Affiliate, or a what-have-you of the Institute, but that ~~you~~ must not use its initials. People used to read their Bibles a lot, probably they read them less now, and I'm sure they read the general run of Institute outgivings even less. They lack the sonorous quality of the King James version - or something.

As to whether Mr. Gruzen is of that quality which should make him welcome (I think he is), I understand that Mr. Emerson and Mr. MacCornack are better informed than we here generally. They may have some views of the matter, if required before the reinstatement of his former application or his making of a new one.

Very truly yours,



Chairman.

Thanks for the list of applicants just to hand.  
Mr. Gruzen's check now, of course, would be for  
410, not \$25.  
5.

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

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COPY

March 3, 1942

Dear Harry:

Please excuse this delayed response to your inquiry of February 11 concerning the status of the application for membership of Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen of Jersey City:

Attached is copy of The Secretary's letter of February 27, 1941, informing Mr. Gruzen that his application for membership had not been granted upon recommendation by the chapter.

As stated in the last paragraph thereof, Mr. Gruzen's check for \$25.00 was returned to him.

The application is on file at this office and could be used again if Mr. Gruzen wishes to reapply. However, The Secretary should then have letters from the two proposers - Messrs. Hugh A. Kelly and Rudolph Kruger - to the effect that they continue their endorsement of the applicant.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Harry T. Stephens, F.A.I.A.  
152 Market Street  
Paterson, New Jersey

K/fs  
Enc.

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NEW JERSEY SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS  
AND  
NEW JERSEY CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

May 8, 1942

Dear Mr. Etc.

Last fall we wrote you that a number of your fellow architects would like to have you with them in The American Institute of Architects and thought you might care to apply for membership. We enclosed an application blank and printed matter. We wrote similarly to other New Jersey architects.

Some responded with applications and checks; some didn't. That was expected, due to building conditions, especially after Pearl Harbor. Of those who so responded most have been elected to the Institute and the rest are on their way.

We write again, for, while conditions now may be as bad or worse for some, they will be better for a few and may be better in your case. You may be more able to think of joining the Institute now than last fall. We do this now also for the check to the Institute's order would still be for \$10 while after July 1st, next, it will be for \$15; the Chapter's check \$6 in either case.

The Institute's work is important and valuable to every architect, individually and collectively, but conditions are getting where it will not be able to continue its full service without the support of you and others who have held back. Many member-architects are becoming unable to continue their long-time support, so others who have held back must come in, take their places and shoulder a bit of the load if the Institute's staff and service is not to be too much curtailed and the interests of architects left to suffer. So you are needed - if you have the substance.

A realtor, a member of all the local, county, state and national realtor, industrial and appraisal boards, speaking to the writer last week, of their usefulness and dues, said the dues total came to from \$150 to \$200 per year, but that it is worth it. Surely some architects who haven't thought that far but have been holding back, though unable to pay any such sum as \$150 or \$200, can pay the very moderate sums required to keep the Institute in effective, going condition.

This is not the time for any architect to stand aside saying he, a non-member, paying nothing, gets as much from the Institute as any paying member. It is the time for such men to realize that in these conditions that can not continue, every architect, who has enough means and can pay the moderate dues needed, must be sportsmanlike and carry his share of the load so the work can go on.

Of course, if one hasn't the means, he can't pay dues, and we do not ask any such to try. Each knows best what he can and can't do, and his circumstances.

For convenience we enclose another application blank and addressed envelope, and we look forward to your response with hopefulness.

Very truly yours,

Paul W. Drake, Ex Officio, Elmer S. Tuthill, Seymour Williams,  
Harry T. Stephens, Chm., 152 Market St., Paterson, N. J.

The final Follow-up  
Several appreciative responses, but  
only one application yet known to be  
on the way. HTS. *As mailed.*

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1741 New York Avenue, N. W.

Washington, D. C.

THE OCTAGON

Inter-Office Communication

May 14/42

Dear Ed:

The Chapter  
Exec. Com. approved  
application of B. Sumner  
Gruyer this afternoon  
You will hear from Secy  
in course.

Regards

Harry T. Stephens

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

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May 18, 1942

Dear Mr. Kelly:

In February, 1941, you endorsed the application of Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen for corporate membership in The Institute. The applicant was denied admission upon recommendation of the New Jersey Chapter.

The application has now been re-opened, and we are in receipt of the chapter's certified resolution approving Mr. Gruzen's admission to corporate membership and assignment to the New Jersey Chapter.

However, before we can proceed with the application we should have your advice that you continue your endorsement of the applicant.

We should appreciate an early response in order that the application can be presented to The Board of Examiners at its meeting on June 2, should you and the other endorser, Mr. Rudolph Kruger, reply favorably.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Hugh A. Kelly, A.I.A.  
921 Bergen Avenue  
Jersey City, New Jersey

K/fs

Copy to Mr. Fairweather  
Mr. Harry T. Stephens

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

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June 5/48*

May 18, 1942

Dear Mr. Kruger:

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Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Rudolph Kruger, A.I.A.  
11 Hill Street  
Newark, New Jersey

K/fs

Copy to Mr. Fairweather

Mr. Harry T. Stephens

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HARRY T. STEPHENS  
ARCHITECT  
PATERSON NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
152 MARKET STREET  
PATERSON NEW JERSEY

1942 MAY 19 AM 11:47  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 18, 1942.

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Exec. Sec'y.,  
1741 New York Ave.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ed.:

I dropped you a postal from Newark, on my way home from the Chapter meeting to indicate that Mr. B. S. Gruzen's application had been approved by the Exec. Com. I did this in case it would help to any quick action (with the status of the Chapter May 23, as to number of delegates in mind), to have said data a bit in advance of the normal time for your hearing from the Chapter Sec'y.

You said it would need to be checked, whether his proposers of over a year ago, would be such now. Col. Kelly answered to me that he would, as willingly as from the first. I do not recall who you said his other proposer was, so I can not say as to him. In any case please add my name to his application as one of his proposers. I suggested to Mr. Gruzen a while ago that he have his other old proposer write you, and he spoke of doing the same as to Mr. Emerson and Mr. Mc Cornack. Probably all this is unnecessary, as I imagine he has enough without. If not, probably you will advise him.

I've lost count for the time, but think we perhaps have enough new members to offset those not quite in good standing at the moment now.

From the 96 follow-up letters to prospects sent out a week or ten days ago, I have received a few letters of appreciation - but no applications as yet.

Very truly yours,

*Harry T. Stephens*

I was elected a delegate, rather expect to attend, but naturally am not positively certain. If there is not particular reason for my being there I might duck more readily than if I could be of any real use. 3

QUESTION: After the meeting last Thursday a couple of new members asked if they would get something to show they are members. I think they had in mind something to frame. I told them it is so long since I joined that I have forgotten what I received, if anything; but that I would enquire. 5



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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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May 20, 1942

Dear Mr. Stephens:

In response to yours of May 18 concerning the re-opened application of Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen:

No doubt you have now received copies of our letters to his proposers, Mr. Kruger and Mr. Kelly, inquiring whether they continue their endorsements of Mr. Gruzen.

As soon as we receive a reply from one of them we shall add your name to the application as a proposer and it will then be ready for The Board of Examiners, which will have its next meeting on June 2.

With reference to the question at the bottom of your letter, each new member receives an engrossed membership certificate 10" x 12" in size. Usually these are not mailed out until two or three weeks after election, as it takes time for the certificates to be signed by the officers and engrossed.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Harry T. Stephens, F.A.I.A.  
152 Market Street  
Paterson, New Jersey

K/fe

RUDOLPH KRUGER THE AMERICAN  
Architect INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

11 HILL STREET, NEWARK, N. J.  
MArket 2-7401

1942 MAY 20 AM 9:22 Member of the  
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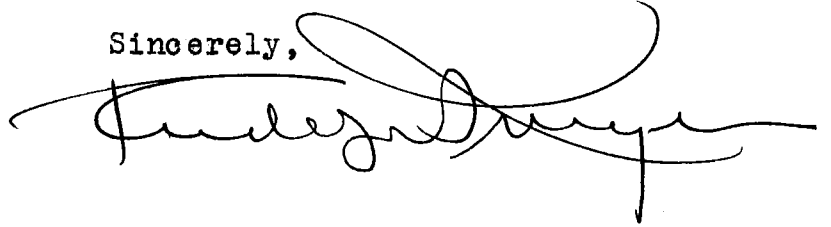
May 19, 1942 D. C.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper  
c/o The American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

In reply to your letter of March 18, I will be very happy to continue my endorsement on the application of Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen for corporate membership in the Institute.

Sincerely,



HUGH A KELLY

THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

architect · professional engineer

1942 MAY 25 AM 9:27

JERSEY CITY · NEW YORK · TRENTON  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 22, 1942.

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

Dear Sir:

As nothing has developed to change my opinion of Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen, I am perfectly willing that my endorsement of the applicant be continued.

Since first endorsing the application, I have worked with Mr. Gruzen on several projects and feel sure that no mistake is being made in admitting him to the Institute.

Yours very truly,

  
Hugh A. Kelly,

HAK:LP



THE AMERICAN  
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1942 MAY 22 AM 11:46

WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Barnet Sumner Gruzen, Jersey City, N. J.  
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY, New Jersey

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,  
Industrial Office Building  
Newark, Address New Jersey

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..... May 18 19 42

*Chas. J. Ingraham*  
Secretary

- 1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state?.....
- 2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? Board or by exemption?.....
- 3. What was the scope of the examination? Submitted satisfactory exhibits  
in lieu of four day written examination
- 4. What was the period of the examination?.....days. Written examination.....hours; Oral examination.....hours.
- 5. When examined, did applicant have a certificate from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards? ..... If so, give Certificate No.....
- 6. Date of last registration June 12 19 41 Registration No. C-1820 Is it current? Yes

*Gilbert Higby*  
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date..... May 20th 19 42

New Jersey State Board of Architects  
(Name of Board)

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HARRY T. STEPHENS  
ARCHITECT  
PATERSON NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
152 MARKET STREET  
PATERSON NEW JERSEY WASHINGTON, D. C.

MAY 28 AM 9:38

May 27, 1942.

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Exec. Sec'y.,  
1741 New York Ave., N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

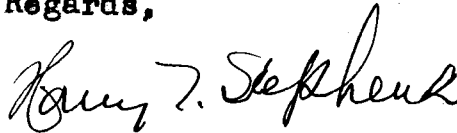
Dear Ed:

I have just now been unable to answer a question as to when, if he is admitted to membership, Mr. Gruzen's admission would normally occur. This question is not by Mr. Gruzen or for him, and I'm sure he knows nothing about it. It comes from or for a firm who or which has Mr. G's name on their stationery as an associate, and, having more stationery in process, would add AIA after Mr. G's name if it w/ere applicable and known to be so in time. Maybe routine supplies a date, perhaps too late for use; but I could not express any opinion whatever, and said I'd pass on the inquiry.

Herewith mimeographed letter sent to 96 backward prospects - who failed to respond to earlier opportunities. Except for a feeling that we have done what we could, I'm doubtful that the effort was worth the effort and expense, for one application due any moment is all that has come back to me except appreciative letters from some who say they cannot now commit themselves.

Unless something prevents, I'll see you at Detroit; perhaps in Washington before that.

Regards,



Harry T. Stephens, Chm.  
N.J. Chapter Membership Committee.

Charge to the account of \_\_\_\_\_

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

C O P Y

PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
JUNE 6, 1942.

MR. BARNETT S. GRUZEN,  
921 BERGEN AVE.,  
JERSEY CITY, N. J.

HAPPY TO ADVISE YOU OF YOUR ELECTION JUNE SIX TO CORPORATE  
MEMBERSHIP IN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

CHARLES T. INGHAM,  
SECRETARY.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 6, 1942

Dear Mr. Gruzen:

Confirming telegram of even date, The Secretary is happy to inform you that your application for membership in The Institute was acted on favorably by The Board of Directors and that you were admitted to corporate membership in The Institute and assigned to membership in the New Jersey Chapter, effective June 6, 1942. 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.

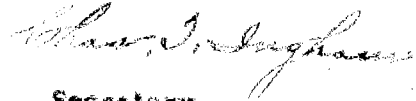
Your certificate of membership, duly executed by the Officers of The Institute, will be sent in due course.

The Board of Directors welcomes you to membership in The Institute, 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,

  
Secretary

Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen, A.I.A.  
921 Bergen Avenue  
Jersey City, New Jersey

CTI/fs

cc - Director Fenhagen  
Proposers - Mr. Hugh A. Kelly  
Mr. Rudolph Kruger  
Mr. Harry T. Stephens



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NEW YORK CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
115 EAST 40th STREET, NEW YORK

November 23, 1945

Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Secretary  
American Institute of Architects,  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I am forwarding to you, herewith enclosed, a letter from B. Sumner Gruzen requesting the transfer of his Chapter assignment from New Jersey to this Chapter.

I came across in my files some correspondence with regard to this man in the early part of 1940. Since I find according to The Annuary that he has been an A. I. A. member since 1942, I presume the difficulties which were the subject of the 1940 correspondence have now been cleared up.

Yours sincerely,

*Dorothea Waters*  
Executive Secretary

DW:MB  
Enc.

HUGH A. B. SUMNER  
**KELLY & GRUZEN**

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1945 NOV 26 AM 9:05

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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NEW YORK 7, N. Y.  
RAYMOND COMMERCE BLDG.  
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1218 SHOREHAM BUILDING  
WASHINGTON 5, D. C.

Please reply to New York Office

November 19, 1945

Secretary,  
American Institute of Architects  
115 E. 40th Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Since we are now located in New York, I should appreciate it very much if arrangements could be made to transfer my A.I.A. membership from the New Jersey Chapter to that of the Manhattan Chapter.

Yours very truly,

  
B. Sumner Gruzen

BSG/rr

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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*Sumner*

November 26, 1945

Dear Mr. Fairweather:

We have received a letter of November 19, 1945, from Mr. B. Sumner Gruzen, requesting that his membership in The Institute be transferred from the New Jersey Chapter to the New York Chapter.

Before his transfer can be effected, it is necessary that we have information from you as to Mr. Gruzen's standing in your Chapter.

If you will please advise us in this connection, we will be in a position to take further action on his request for a transfer.

Sincerely yours,

ECK:ekp

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Clement W. Fairweather, Secretary  
New Jersey Chapter, A.I.A.  
Metuchen, New Jersey

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1945 DEC -6 AM 9:12

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary  
The American Institute of Architects  
1746 New York Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Ed:

Replying to your letter dated November 26  
about B. Sumner Gruzen, please be advised that I will pre-  
sent your letter to our Executive Board for consideration  
at its next meeting in January and will then advise you in  
the matter. In the meantime, I request that you take no  
action.

Yours cordially,

*C. W. Fairweather*  
Secretary *CF*

CWF/mrf

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NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

WASHINGTON, D. C.  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

January  
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*OK  
to transfer*

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary  
American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Ed:

Replying to your letter dated November 26,  
1945, please be advised that it was considered at last  
Thursday's executive meeting of the Chapter.

I was directed to advise you that Mr. B.  
Sumner Gruzen is in good standing in the Chapter.

Yours cordially,

*C. W. Fairweather*  
(C. W. Fairweather) *C.W.*  
Secretary

mrf.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 16, 1946

Dear Mr. Gruzen:

We have just been advised by Mr. Fairweather, Secretary of the New Jersey Chapter, in his letter of January 14 of your good standing in that Chapter.

You have therefore been formally transferred from the New Jersey Chapter to the New York Chapter as an Institute member in good standing, effective January 15, 1946.

Both chapters have been advised.

The Secretary of the New York Chapter is Mr. Theodore J. Young, 542 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, N.Y., and we suggest that you get in touch with him concerning the next meeting and other matters of interest.

Sincerely yours,

Alexander C. Robinson III.

Secretary

ACR:D

Mr. B. Sumner Gruzen, A.I.A.  
220 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

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SECRETARY

TREASURER



Received Oct. 31, 1956.

Voted On Mar. 28, 1957

Voted On 19 .

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Granted March 28, 1957

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JURY OF FELLOWS

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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

1. *Name of Nominee* Barnett Sumner Gruzen      *Date of Nomination* Oct. 28, 1956.
2. *Address of Nominee* 80 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.
3. *Nominee's firm* Kelly & Gruzen
4. *Nominee's principal place of business* New York
5. *Nominee's Chapter* New York
6. *Nominee's State Organization* New York State Association of Architects
7. *Nominee admitted to Institute* June 6, 1942
8. *Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from* June 6, 1942 to Dec. 31, 1956
9. *Nominee's age* 53 yrs. *Birthplace* Riga, Latvia
10. *Nominators:* Executive Committee, New York Chapter:

President: Robert Cutler ✓  
 Vice-Pres.: Harold C. Bernhard ✓  
 Treasurer: Aaron N. Kiff ✓  
 Secretary: L. Bancel LaFarge ✓

Roger G. Spross ✓  
 Ralph Pomerance ✓  
 Frederick J. Woodbridge ✓  
 Geoffrey N. Lawford ✓  
 Alonzo W. Clark ✓  
 Frederick G. Frost, Jr. ✓

11. *Achievement* in Design



(Nominators leave blank)



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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP  
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CHAPTER

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

Date October 28, 19 56

The Executive Committee of this Chapter, at a duly called meeting on October 23, 19 56 <sup>\*Type in full name.</sup>  
nominated\* Barnett Sumner Gruzen  
member of this Chapter, for fellowship in The Institute. We enclose evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship on which the nomination was based and certify the resolution is as follows:

"Whereas, this Executive Committee believes\* Barnett Sumner Gruzen  
a member of this Chapter, has made so notable a contribution to the advancement of the pro-  
fession because of his achievement in\*\* Architectural Design  
that he is worthy of fellowship in The Institute; and

\*Type in full name.

\*\*Type in "De-  
sign," "Science  
of Construction,"  
"Literature,"  
"Education,"  
"Service to The  
Institute," or  
"Public Service,"  
as is appro-  
priate.

"Whereas, said member has been in good standing in this Chapter for fourteen years  
years prior to this date; therefore be it

†Type in number of years.

"Resolved, That†† The New York Chapter,  
The American Institute of Architects, does hereby nominate\*

††Type in name of Chapter.

\*Type in full name.

Barnett Sumner Gruzen  
for fellowship in The Institute, and the President and the Secretary be and hereby are  
authorized and directed to prepare the nomination papers and forward them to The Jury of  
Fellows of The Institute and to do all things proper to forward said nomination.

*Andrew J. Lovell*  
*George H. Langford*  
*Alonso W. Clark*  
*Andrew G. Smith*

*Robert H. Little*  
*Harold C. Bernhard*  
*Roger G. Spruss*  
*Robert H. Little*  
*Clara N. Hill*  
*Robert H. Little* Secretary.

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

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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

1. Nominee's full name **BARNETT SUMNER GRUZEN**
2. Nominee is a ~~foreign~~ naturalized citizen of **the UNITED STATES**
3. Nominee's legal residence **44 Oakland Road, Maplewood, N. J.**
4. Nominee's firm name **KELLY & GRUZEN**
5. Nominee's principal place of business, address **80 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 11, N. Y.**

2. Strike out inappropriate word and write in name of Country.

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

Strike out inappropriate words.

Type in date of birth and city and Country.

6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by **N.C.A.R.B #1170; and in States of New York, New Jersey, Penn., Mass., Conn., R. I., Vt., Texas, Del., D. C.**
7. Nominee is engaged in practice of architecture as a practicing architect ~~—architectural architect—~~  
~~—architectural architect—~~
8. Born **July 25, 1903** . . . Place of birth **Riga, Latvia**
9. Nominee's schools, colleges and universities:

	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
<i>High School</i>				
<b>Chelsea High School</b>	<b>Chelsea, Mass.</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1922</b>	<b>Diploma</b>
<i>Private School</i>				
<b>Berkeley Preparatory</b>	<b>Boston, Mass.</b>	<b>6 mos.</b>		
<i>College or University</i>				
<b>Mass. Inst. Tech.</b>	<b>Cambridge, Mass.</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1926</b>	<b>B.S. in Arch.</b>
<i>College or University</i>				
<b>Mass. Inst. Tech.</b>	<b>Cambridge, Mass.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1928</b>	<b>Master of Arch.</b>
<i>Post Graduate at</i>				
<b>Ecole des Beaux Arts</b>	<b>Paris, France</b>	<b>Winter</b>	<b>1930-31</b>	
<i>Scholarships held</i>				
<b>Rotch Traveling Fellowship</b>	<b>Europe</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1930-32</b>	

10. Other data concerning nominee's record.
  - 1928 - Second Prize, Rotch Traveling Fellowship
  - 1929 - Second Prize, Guy Lowell Fellowship
  - Employed with Perry, Shaw & Hepburn, participated in preliminary development of the Williamsburg, Va. Restoration. Also with firms of Guy Lowell; Ritchie, Parsons & Taylor; Stone & Webster.
  - Executive Committee, NY Chap., AIA, 3 yrs; on various other committees, as Membership, Brunner Scholarship; on national committee on "Package Deals"; delegate to national convention, 7 yrs; on BAID and Pratt Inst. juries.
  - Author numerous contributing articles on shopping centers, supermarkets, schools, religious buildings for ARCH REC., AMER. SCHL & UNIV., SCHOOL EXECUTIVE, SUPER MARKET INSTITUTE, SUPER MARKET MERCHANDISING; AMERICAN SYNAGOGUE FOR TODAY; TECHN SOCIETY YEARBOOK.
  - MEMBERSHIPS: N.S.P.E.; Soc. Amer. Military Engrs.; A.W.A. (on roster approved architects); N.J. Soc. Archts.; N.Y. State Assn. Archts.; a Governor of Israel Inst. of Technology, Haifa; Amer. Technion Society; a Founder of Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

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

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN ✓

1. Works

Type (a) Commercial (b) Monumental (c) Domestic (d) Special	Identification of Work	Location of Work  (City)	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
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Under column headed "Type" type in (a), (b), (c), or (d), as the case may be.

PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED LISTINGS OF WORK PERFORMED  
IN FIELDS OF SCHOOLS; HOSPITALS; HOUSING; COMMERCIAL;  
INDUSTRIAL; MILITARY; and RELIGIOUS.

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

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

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEETS IN FULL REPLY.

EXPERIENCE RECORD

Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in Field of: S C H O O L S

GENERAL GEORGE W. WINGATE HIGH SCHOOL Board of Education, City of New York	BROOKLYN, N. Y. 3, 300 pupils \$5, 115, 000
NEW YORK HIGH SCHOOL OF PRINTING Board of Education, City of New York	NEW YORK, N. Y. 2, 700 pupils \$5, 100, 000
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL #22 and BRANCH LIBRARY Board of Education, City of New York	NEW YORK, N. Y. 2, 200 pupils \$3, 600, 000
NEW YORK POLICE ACADEMY Department of Public Works, New York City	NEW YORK, N. Y. \$4, 000, 000
ROGERS COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL Newport High School Commission "University Plan School"	NEWPORT, R. I. 1, 200 pupils \$2, 500, 000
COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL Passaic Board of Education Part of New Civic Center	PASSAIC, N. J. 1, 400 pupils \$2, 500, 000
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, CLINTON PLACE Board of Education, City of Newark Utilizing hexagonal shaped classrooms	NEWARK, N. J. 1, 600 pupils \$3, 000, 000
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, W. KINNEY STREET Board of Education, City of Newark	NEWARK, N. J. 1, 600 pupils \$3, 000, 000
ADDITION TO WEST ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL West Orange Board of Education	W. ORANGE, N. J. \$1, 250, 000
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL Morris Township Board of Education Planned for maximum expansion	MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N. J. 500 pupils \$715, 000
HILLCREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Morris Township Board of Education	MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N. J. 300 pupils \$385, 000
WASHINGTON SCHOOL ADDITION Board of Education	WINCHESTER, MASS. \$250, 000
FRANKLIN SCHOOL ADDITION	PASSAIC, N. J. \$360, 000
ROOSEVELT ELEM. SCHOOL (RENOVATION)	PASSAIC, N. J. \$485, 000

(continued)

EXPERIENCE RECORD

Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in Field of: S C H O O L S (Continued)

GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	PASSAIC, N. J. \$370,000
POWER MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM	NEW YORK, N. Y. \$500,000
CANISIUS COLLEGE LIBRARY	BUFFALO, N. Y. \$500,000
GYMNASIUM BUILDING Georgetown Preparatory School	GARRETT PARK, MD. \$800,000
U. S. ARMY SIGNAL CORPS SCHOOL	FT. MONMOUTH, N. J. \$15,000,000
ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE	BRONX, N. Y. \$10,000,000
FOR RUTGERS UNIVERSITY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY	NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.
RESIDENCE HALLS AND CLASSROOMS	\$4,000,000
ENGINEERING CAMPUS	
HORTICULTURE BUILDING	\$1,000,000
POULTRY PLANT BUILDING	550,000
LAW CENTER LIBRARY (NEWARK, N. J.)	1,000,000
U. S. NAVAL & MARINE CORPS RESERVE TRAINING CENTER	QUINCY, MASS.

EXPERIENCE RECORD

Partial Listing of current and Completed Projects in the Field of:  
HOSPITALS

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL For Baltimore District, Corps of Engineers 480 Beds, including 145 Beds for specialized psychiatric facilities. \$12,000,000 Completed 1950	WILKES-BARRE, PA.
ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE For Yeshiva University. Initial unit of a \$25,000,000 Medical Center to include Colleges of Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing and a 250-Bed hospital pavilion. Master Plan for CENTER completed. College of Medicine Completed 1956	BRONX, NEW YORK
BETH ISRAEL HOSPITAL 110 Beds, expandible to 160 Beds \$2,000,000 Under construction	PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY
HOSPITAL LABORATORY BUILDING For Beth Israel Hospital. To accommodate specialized facilities for research in blood diseases. \$650,000 Under construction	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY
HOSPITAL FOR THE CHRONIC SICK AND AGED For Community Foundation, Essex County, N. J. 250 Beds (150 Infirm; 100 Aged) \$2,500,000 In construction 1956	WEST ORANGE, N. J.
ADDITION TO VROOM BUILDING State Hospital for Criminal Insane Department of Institutions & Agencies Estimated \$1,750,000 In construction 1956	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

EXPERIENCE RECORD

Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in the Field of:  
HOSPITALS (cont'd)

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PROPOSED HEALTH CENTER Rutgers University Estimated \$500,000	NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.
ADDITION TO HOME FOR AGED Proposed facilities for 100 additional beds	JERSEY CITY, N. J.
HOME FOR AGED Original plan 60-beds. Subsequently expanded to 150 Beds \$300,000                      Completed 1949	JERSEY CITY, N. J.
DOCTORS CLINIC BUILDING For Parkway Houses project Completed 1951	IRVINGTON, N. J.
PROPOSED MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL \$2,000,000 For City of Havana General Hospital - 200 Beds	HAVANA, CUBA
TILTON GENERAL HOSPITAL \$2,000,000                      Completed 1943	FT. DIX, N. J.



EXPERIENCE RECORDPartial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in Field of: HOUSING

LUNA PARK HOUSING (N. Y. C. H. A.)	1500 units	Coney Island, N. Y.
VAN DYKE HOUSES (N. Y. C. H. A.)	1451 units	Brooklyn, N. Y.
BOULEVARD HOUSES (N. Y. C. H. A.)	1441 units	Brooklyn, N. Y.
IVY HILL PARK (F. H. A.)	2095 units	Newark, N. J.
THE PARKWAY (F. H. A.)	1744 units	Irvington, N. J.
DORMITORY FACILITIES (for 1000 students)	Rutgers University	New Brunswick, N. J.
PUBLIC HOUSING for 9 Communities in State of New Jersey, under the Housing Act of 1949: Total approximate cost \$28,000,000 for 2786 units		
FAMILY HOUSING for U. S. A. F. (Capehart)	1685 units	Plattsburgh, N. Y.
MILITARY HOUSING (Capehart)	238 units	Ft. Jay, N. Y.
1500 HERMANN DRIVE (Luxury Apartments)	120 units	Houston, Texas
MILITARY HOUSING (Wherry Bill)	600 units	Ft. Monmouth, N. J.
MILITARY HOUSING (proposed)	400 units	New London, Conn.
DEFENSE HOUSING (F. H. A., Title IX)		
Buchanan Park Homes	150 units	Bethlehem, Pa.
Garfield Park Homes	100 units	Groton, Conn.
DEFENSE HOUSING	400 units	Stratford, Conn.
RIVERSIDE TERRACE HOUSING	300 units	Paterson, N. J.
VETERANS PERMANENT HOUSING	392 units	Paterson, N. J.
REGO PARK HOMES	760 units	Elmhurst, N. Y.
MONROE PARK HOMES (proposed)	600 units	Wilmington, Del.
RIVERVIEW GARDENS	480 units	N. Arlington, N. J.
STUYVESANT TOWN	400 units	Union, N. J.
PIERCE MANOR APARTMENTS	360 units	Elizabeth, N. J.
HUTTON LAFAYETTE GARDENS	234 units	W. Orange, N. J.
BROOKDALE GARDENS	200 units	Bloomfield, N. J.
TAYLOR PARK HOMES	200 units	Harrisburg, Pa.
MANHATTAN VIEW TOWERS	196 units	W. New York, N. J.
VAN BUREN PARK HOMES	175 units	Niskayuna, N. Y.
ADAMS PARK HOMES	160 units	Albany, N. Y.
CLEVELAND PARK HOMES	120 units	Albany, N. Y.
JEFFERSON PARK HOMES	160 units	Metuchen, N. J.
GARFIELD PARK HOMES	165 units	Rariton, N. J.
FRANKLIN VILLAGE	160 units	Morristown, N. J.
MORRISTOWN GARDENS	140 units	Morristown, N. J.

COMMUNITY PLANNINGREDEVELOPMENT SURVEY FOR THE CITY OF PATERSON, NEW JERSEY

Under Title I, Housing Act of 1949

FWA COMMUNITY CENTER for 700 Unit Housing Development containing complete commercial, medical and social facilities - Winfield Park, Linden, N. J.

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Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in Field of: C O M M E R C I A L

THE GRAND UNION CO. Consultant services, in all phases of design, layout, decor, signs, materials and construction. For stores throughout Middle Atlantic States, New England and Canada.	E. Paterson, N. J.
ELMSWOOD SHOPPING CENTER Integrated shopping center and three-story office building containing new home offices and largest supermarket of the Grand Union Co. \$3,900,000	E. Paterson, N. J.  Completed 1952
OAK PARK SHOPPING CENTER	Philadelphia, Pa.
GARFIELD SHOPPING CENTER	Trenton, N. J.
BRUNSWICK SHOPPING CENTER	No. Brunswick Twp., N. J.
GRAND UNION SHOPPING CENTER	Saratoga, N. Y.
URBAN SHOPPING CENTER	Utica, N. Y.
WHITE PLAINS SHOPPING CENTER	White Plains, N. Y.
DEPARTMENT STORE UNIT (Bond's, Lerner's, Simco)	Newark, N. J.
BOND STORE	Jersey City, N. J.
FLORSHEIM SHOE STORES	Newark, Jersey City
OHRBACH'S (RENOVATIONS)	Newark, N. J.
FEDERATION BANK & TRUST CO. Renovations: Main Office, Branches at 6 E. 45th St., N. Y. C. and in Flushing, N. Y.	New York
FIRST SAVINGS & LOAN BANK	E. Paterson, N. J. [E. Paterson, N. J.]
GOODMAN'S FURNITURE & APPLIANCE STORE	Jersey City, N. J. [Jersey City, N. J.]
JAPAN TRADE CENTER	New York, N. Y.
PROPOSED SUPERMARKET	Havana, Cuba [Havana, Cuba]
PROPOSED OFFICE BUILDING & APARTMENT HOUSE	Havana, Cuba

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Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in Field of:  
INDUSTRIAL PLANTS

CONMAR ZIPPER MFG. PLANT Conmar Products Corp. (In Association with Robert Moor, A. I. A.) \$1,250,000	Completed 1955	GREENWOOD, MISS.
INSULATED CIRCUITS, INC. Electronic Products \$250,000	In Construction 1955	WEST CALDWELL, N. J.
AVIATION TEST FACILITIES, U. S. NAVY		TRENTON, N. J.
PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS Plant and Warehouse Facilities		NEW JERSEY
RAMPS GARAGE AND BANK BUILDING Seventh Ave. at 38th Street \$ ,225,000	Completed 1953	NEW YORK, N. Y.
MUNICIPAL INCINERATOR PLANT \$300,000	Completed 1953	LONG BEACH, N. Y.
WATER PUMPING STATION ) WATER TREATMENT PLANT ) For North Jersey District Water Supply Commission \$450,000	Completed 1953	POMPTON LAKES, N. J.
DAVIDSON TRUCK TRANSFER AND STORAGE TERMINAL \$325,000	Completed 1949	JERSEY CITY, N. J.
BALTIMORE TRUCK & STORAGE WAREHOUSE \$300,000	Completed 1945	JERSEY CITY, N. J.
PROPOSED MUNICIPAL PARKING GARAGE		PATERSON, N. J.
SEWERAGE SYSTEM		HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, N. J.
MARINE TERMINAL		CAMDEN, N. J.
SCRAP IRON PLANT AND OFFICES		JERSEY CITY, N. J.
NO. CAROLINA SHIPBUILDING CO.		WILMINGTON, N. C.

Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in the Field of:  
MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

U. S. ARMY SIGNAL CORPS SCHOOL, BARRACKS AND  
POWER PLANT - FT. MONMOUTH, N. J.  
For N. Y. District, Corps of Engineers. Project to provide  
facilities for training and quartering 5,000 military personnel  
engaged in wire communication and photographic work.  
Permanent installation: Barrack plan adopted by Army as  
prototype for similar requirements elsewhere in U. S.  
\$15,000,000 Completed 1953

U. S. NAVY TURBO TEST STATION - TRENTON, N. J.  
For Public Works Office, Fourth Naval District with  
McConathy, Hoffman Associates - Joint Venture

## FACILITIES CENTER

For Public Works Office, Fourth Naval District  
U. S. Naval-Marine Corps Reserve Training Center - Quincey, Mass.

REHABILITATION SURVEYS for: FT. HANCOCK, N. J.  
FT. TILDEN, N. J.  
Completed 1951 CAMP EDWARDS, MASS.

TILTON GENERAL HOSPITAL - FT. DIX, N. J.  
Performed as joint venture by Kelly, Syska & Hennessy  
\$2,000,000 Completed 1943

SEPARATION CENTER - FT. DIX, N. J.  
\$1,500,000 Completed 1944

MODERNIZATION: HANGARS, AIRFIELDS - FT. DIX, N. J.  
\$500,000 Completed 1944

U. S. NAVAL AMMUNITION DEPOT - LAKE DENMARK, N. J.  
\$2,000,000 Completed 1944

(5) NAVAL RESERVE TRAINING CENTERS NEW JERSEY  
\$650,000 NEW YORK

(5) NATIONAL GUARD AND NAVAL ARMORIES - NEW JERSEY  
\$3,000,000 Completed 1935 - 39

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Partial Listing of Current and Completed Projects in the Field of:  
RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY BUILDINGS

MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE Park Avenue Synagogue Completed 1954	\$500,000	New York, N. Y.
WASHINGTON HEIGHTS-INWOOD YM-YWHA In construction 1955	\$525,000	New York, N. Y.
COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING For Congregation Temple Emanu-El Completed 1951	\$250,000	Englewood, N. J.
TEMPLE For Congregation Temple Emanu-El For construction 1955	\$400,000	Englewood, N. J.
COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING For Congregation Beth-El Completed 1949	\$325,000	South Orange, N. J.
COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING Completed 1953	\$500,000	Bayonne, N. J.
COMMUNITY CENTER & TEMPLE For Congregation B'Nai Israel Completed 1954	\$225,000	Kearny, N. J.
COMMUNITY CENTER & TEMPLE For Congregation B'Nai Israel In planning Est. Cost	\$250,000	Red Bank, N. J.
COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING In construction	\$200,000	Lawrence, Mass.
AMERICAN BUDDHIST ACADEMY In planning	\$250,000	New York, N. Y.

SPECIAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

INDOOR & OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS AND THEATER For Grossingers Hotel	Ferndale, N. Y.
GYMNASIUM BUILDING For Power Memorial Academy	New York, N. Y.
GYMNASIUM BUILDING For Georgetown Preparatory School	Garrett Park, Md.

In the nominee's work there has been a characteristic search for solutions to problems without reliance on precedent. The nominee has employed his talents and training to the end that the client's needs shall have been solved by a structure which encompasses the humanities of the problem and does justice to the structural values utilized.

Among the principal works performed by the nominee, the following projects reflect his outstanding design ability in various fields; his knowledge and understanding of structures; and his continuous effort to provide effective solutions for the specific problems of clients.

ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE (YESHIVA UNIVERSITY) - BRONX, N. Y.

First new medical school in New York in more than 80 years; one of completely new medical institutions in country. College is initial unit of projected \$25,000,000 integrated medical center to include Colleges of medicine, dentistry, nursing, post-grad school, dormitories and a 250-bed hospital pavilion. The plan makes possible introduction of new concepts in medical teaching through development of extremely flexible, multi-purpose laboratories within a double corridor system. Nominee performed extensive research to achieve this lab system; and also to make facilities of the College adaptable to combining medical research with teaching. Cost: \$10,000,000

GEORGE W. WINGATE HIGH SCHOOL (BD. OF EDUCATION, CITY OF NEW YORK) - BROOKLYN, N. Y.

New York's first new high school since 1941 and first in Board's new policy of utilizing services of private architects. Project is known popularly as the "banjo-plan" school because of its circular wing aimed at lessening travel distances and easing traffic congestion for a large student body. Plan accomodates 3300 students in academic, business and vocational curricula. Auditorium and cafeteria are in core of circle, classrooms on perimeter. Adjacent to circle are the shop-science-library wing and the gymnasium wing. ARCHITECTURAL FORUM, Nov. 1952 noted that this "circulation scheme and economy cracked the conservatism of New York's School Board."

Through vigorous urging of the nominee, extensive art work was incorporated in the project, consisting of sculpture and mural decoration, marking one of the first projects of the Board with such wide coordination of art and architecture. Cost: \$5,200,000

NEW YORK SCHOOL OF PRINTING (BD. OF ED., NYC.) - NEW YORK, N. Y.

Only school of its type and scope in the country - a vocational plant for training in printing trades operated by the Board with aid and advice of special labor-management committees in the printing industry (second largest in the City). Accomodates 2700 students, including high school enrollment of 1500, plus apprentice trainees and the occupation extension division. Plan coordinates three schools in one. First major building in New York with all glass facade without masonry back-up of spandrels. Also deemed first school in country utilizing escalators, introduced both for economy and



and to solve circulation problems of large student body in a seven story building. Extensive art work also planned for various areas of the school.

Cost: \$6,000,000

MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE(Park Avenue Synagogue) - NEW YORK, N. Y.

Designed to provide social and educational facilities and also to serve as memorial to the late Rabbi Steinberg. Facade of five stories is entirely of stained glass. Emphasizing the uses of the building, the facade depicts holidays and traditions of Jewish life and retains monolithic quality of a memorial. Artist commissioned by nominee: Adolph Gottlieb. Project reflects nominee's strong interest in integrating art with architecture.

Cost: \$600,000

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL - WILKES-BARRE, PA.

V. A. Hospital for 480 beds, including 145 beds for specialized psychiatric facilities. One of first V.A. hospitals incorporating extensive psychiatric facilities with general. Project received Honor Award in AIA National Honor Awards Program, 1951.

Cost: \$12,000,000

U. S. SIGNAL CORPS SCHOOL, BARRACKS, HEATING PLANT - FT. MONMOUTH, N. J.

Providing training facilities and quarters for 5,000 military personnel engaged in wire communication and photographic studies, one of largest such permanent installations in country. U-Shaped barrack plan adopted by Army as prototype for similar installations elsewhere in States. ARCHITECTURAL FORUM, Sept. 1951 noted: "by departing from routine the Signal Corps gains a distinguished school and model barracks.....ingenuity, careful study and perseverance can give our armed forces a group of college building equal to the handsomest civilian equivalent - without overstepping the bounds of strict economy and general Army practice." Cost: \$15,000,000

PUBLIC HOUSING WORK

Under Public Housing Acts, approximately 10,000 units, at an approximate total cost of \$75,000,000.

In past 15 years, nominee has supervised planning, design and construction of more than 20,000 units of housing. He has been leader in development of new approaches to low cost housing, a current example being his introduction of large, open recreational corridors on all floors on the Luna Park Houses for the NYC Housing Authority for which preliminary plans are approved.

He has also done urban redevelopment work, particularly for the City of Paterson, N. J., one of the first such program inaugurated in New Jersey, and among the first in the country under the Housing Act of 1949.

COMMERCIAL WORK

Nominee has been considered a pioneer in the shopping center and super-market field, having designed some of the earliest markets in the East in 1932

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COMMERCIAL WORK (cont'd)

In articles published by ARCHITECTURAL RECORD in 1934 and 1937, the nominee introduced such phrases as "automobile shopping center" and also presented numerous design features that were to influence the trend toward the construction of shopping centers and super-markets on the outskirts of cities.

He has been serving as architectural consultant to the Grand Union Co., a super-market chain of over 380 stores. Designed the Elmwood Shopping Center in East Paterson, N. J. which contains home offices and largest market of the chain. Office building was first in metropolitan area constructed with prefabricated wall panels. As an experimental market, the store introduced a "wheel-spoke" system with staggered food gondolas, marking first departure from standard market aisles. Consultant services to Grand Union also resulted in numerous merchandising innovations, such as display techniques, layouts of counters, the use of color, introduction of non-food displays, etc., all of which have been widely heralded by the food industry.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY - NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Dormitory-Classroom and Student Lounge project now being completed - believed to be the largest and one of the first in the country in which living quarters are integrated with classroom facilities. Plan achieved through ingenious use of extremely narrow river-bank site, which was assigned to providing dormitories for 1,000 students, and also to replace temporary classrooms

ROGERS HIGH SCHOOL - NEWPORT, R. I.

One of the first "campus-plan" high schools in New England. Designed for 1,000 students with maximum emphasis placed upon community use of facilities. Auditorium and fine arts center housed in a circular element, covered by a pre-stressed concrete, tilted dome, spanning 160 feet. Believed to be first tilted dome of this type in country. Separate buildings emphasize various educational functions and are architectural expressed.

PASSAIC HIGH SCHOOL - PASSAIC, N. J.

First "comprehensive" senior high school in State, accomodating 1400 students in academic, vocational and business curricula. School is on 4-acre site, along with a new City Hall, actually using only site available to city. Plan received top award in 1955 "School Executive" magazine COMPETITION FOR BETTER SCHOOL DESIGN - being cited for excellent site adaptation.

As a general observation, we have concluded that the nominee has dedicated himself to the end that the edifices and/or spaces in which people live, work, shop, play and are rehabilitated - shall contribute to the values to be obtained by people in the pursuit of their respective endeavors.

He has also made it a practice to invite into his firm young graduates, to develop

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their basic training in his office - and to encourage them, on the threshold of their careers, and develop them into strong men in their profession.

Evidence of his design ability and dedication to the profession is reflected in the attached listing of honors and awards which his projects have received from various professional, educational and other groups.

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AWARDS RECEIVED BY NOMINEE

Re: B. SUMNER GRUZEN  
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- PASSAIC SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PASSAIC, N. J.  
Winner (one of five) in Competition for Better School Design, sponsored by the "School Executive" magazine, 1955.
- GEORGE W. WINGATE HIGH SCHOOL BROOKLYN, N. Y.  
Special Feature Award, Competition for Better School Design, sponsored by "School Executive" magazine, 1953.
- U. S. VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL WILKES-BARRE, PA.  
National Honor Award of Merit in Design, from the American Institute of Architects, 1951.
- U. S. ARMY SIGNAL CORPS SCHOOL FT. MONMOUTH, N. J.  
Award of Merit in Design, Middle Atlantic District, American Institute of Architects, 1951.
- ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE BRONX, N. Y.  
Award Citation, Health Category, in Design Awards Program, sponsored by "Progressive Architecture" magazine, 1954.
- ELMWOOD SHOPPING CENTER E. PATERSON, N. J.  
Award of Merit in Design, New Jersey Society of Architects; and New Jersey Chapter, A. I. A., 1952.
- VAN DYKE HOUSES BROOKLYN, N. Y.  
Award of Merit in Design, from Middle Atlantic Division, American Institute of Architects, 1951.
- HARRISON GARDENS HARRISON, N. J.  
Finalist, National Gold Medal Exhibition, sponsored by the Architectural League of New York, 1949.
- STATE CAPITOL DEVELOPMENT TRENTON, N. J.  
First Prize, in Competition for a new State Capitol Development, sponsored by the American Institute of Architects, 1945.
- JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL #22 & LIBRARY NEW YORK, N. Y.  
Citation Award, "Progressive Architecture" magazine Design Awards Program, 1957.
- NEW YORK SCHOOL OF PRINTING NEW YORK, N. Y.  
Award of Merit, American Association of School Administrators, 1956.  
Award of Merit, New Jersey Society of Architects, 1956.
- HILLCREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Morris Township, N. J.  
Award of Merit, New Jersey Society of Architects, 1956.
- MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE New York, N. Y.  
Finalist, National Gold Medal Exhibition, Architectural League, 1956.
- PLAN FOR THEODORE HERZEL MEMORIAL JERUSALEM, ISRAEL  
Third Prize awarded to B. Sumner Gruzen and Associates in international competition for monument and park to memorialize Theodore Herzl, founder of Zionism, - sponsored by the Executive of the World Zionist Organization, 1951.

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

1. CONSTRUCTION WORK

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

2. BOOKS, TREATISES, OR ARTICLES WRITTEN

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

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## NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

### 1. EDUCATION WORK

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

### 2. LITERARY WORK

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

*Book, Treatise  
or Article*

*Subject*

*Name of Book or Periodical  
Containing Work*

*Year Work  
Published*

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

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

### NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE

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

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April 2, 1957

Mr. Barnett Sumner Grussen, F.A.I.A.  
80 Fifth Avenue  
New York 11, New York

Dear Mr. Grussen:

The American Institute of Architects desires to confer upon you the honor of Fellowship and membership in the College of Fellows for your notable contribution in Design in accord with the action of The Jury of Fellows at its recent meeting.

The purpose of this letter is to request your presence at the 1957 Convention of The Institute, to be held in Washington, D. C., starting May 14, at the Sheraton-Park and Shoreham Hotels.

At the Sixth Annual Convocation of The College of Fellows at noon on Thursday, May 16, at the Hotel Carlton, those who have been elected to Fellowship will receive their certificates. Presentation will be with appropriate ceremony, and it is highly important that each of the newly-elected Fellows be present.

The Officers of The Institute and The Jury of Fellows join in the request that you come to receive this honor in person.

Please send your response to The Institute at an early date.

Yours sincerely,

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

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April 3, 1957

Mr. Barnett Sumner Gruzen, F.A.I.A.  
80 Fifth Avenue  
New York 11, New York

Dear Mr. Gruzen:

At the recent meeting of The Jury of Fellows you were elected to Fellowship in The Institute and membership in The College of Fellows of the A.I.A. for achievement in Design.

At the Convention there will be an exhibition of the work of the newly-elected Fellows premiated for Design, and to that end the Jury has had to make a comprehensive, yet as small a selection of your exhibits as possible for this occasion.

Under separate cover your entire exhibit is being returned, and those selected are designated by pieces of masking tape and are as follows:

- 1) ~~United States Army Signal Corps School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey~~
- 2) ~~Dormitory-Classroom Facilities and Student Lounge, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey~~
- 3) ~~Milton Steinberg House, New York, N. Y.~~

These should be reproduced to conform with the instructions enclosed (see pages 2 and 3) and should be forwarded to Mr. Arthur B. Holmes, A.I.A. Convention Manager, C/o Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C., to be received not later than May 8.

The members of the Jury are happy to express their welcome to you in your new status.

Cordially yours,

Alexander C. Robinson, III, Chairman  
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.

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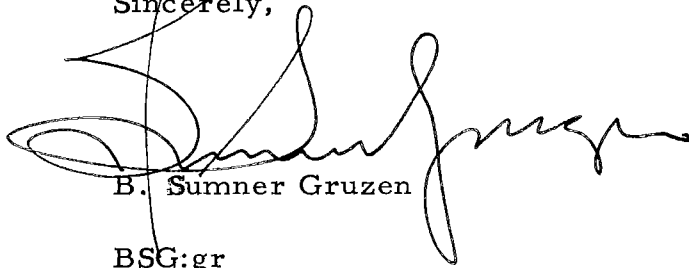
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Dear Mr. Purves:

Your letter of April 2nd informing me that I have been honored with a Fellowship and membership in the College of Fellows is at hand.

It is with a great deal of humility and pride I want to confirm that I will be at the Convocation of the College of Fellows at noon on Thursday, May 16th at the Hotel Carlton.

Sincerely,



B. Sumner Gruzen

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B. Sumner Gruzen, F.A.I.A., Principal of Kelly & Gruzen, received his M. Arch., from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and did graduate work in Europe as holder of a Rotch Architectural Scholarship. His practice has encompassed work in diversified fields, including large scale housing and urban renewal, schools and universities, public works and hospitals. Among the most significant buildings designed by his firm are: U. S. Mission to the United Nations (New York); Albert Einstein College of Medicine (New York); Luna Park Houses (Brooklyn); Wingate ("Banjo Plan") High School (Brooklyn) and the Canton City Hall (Canton, Ohio).

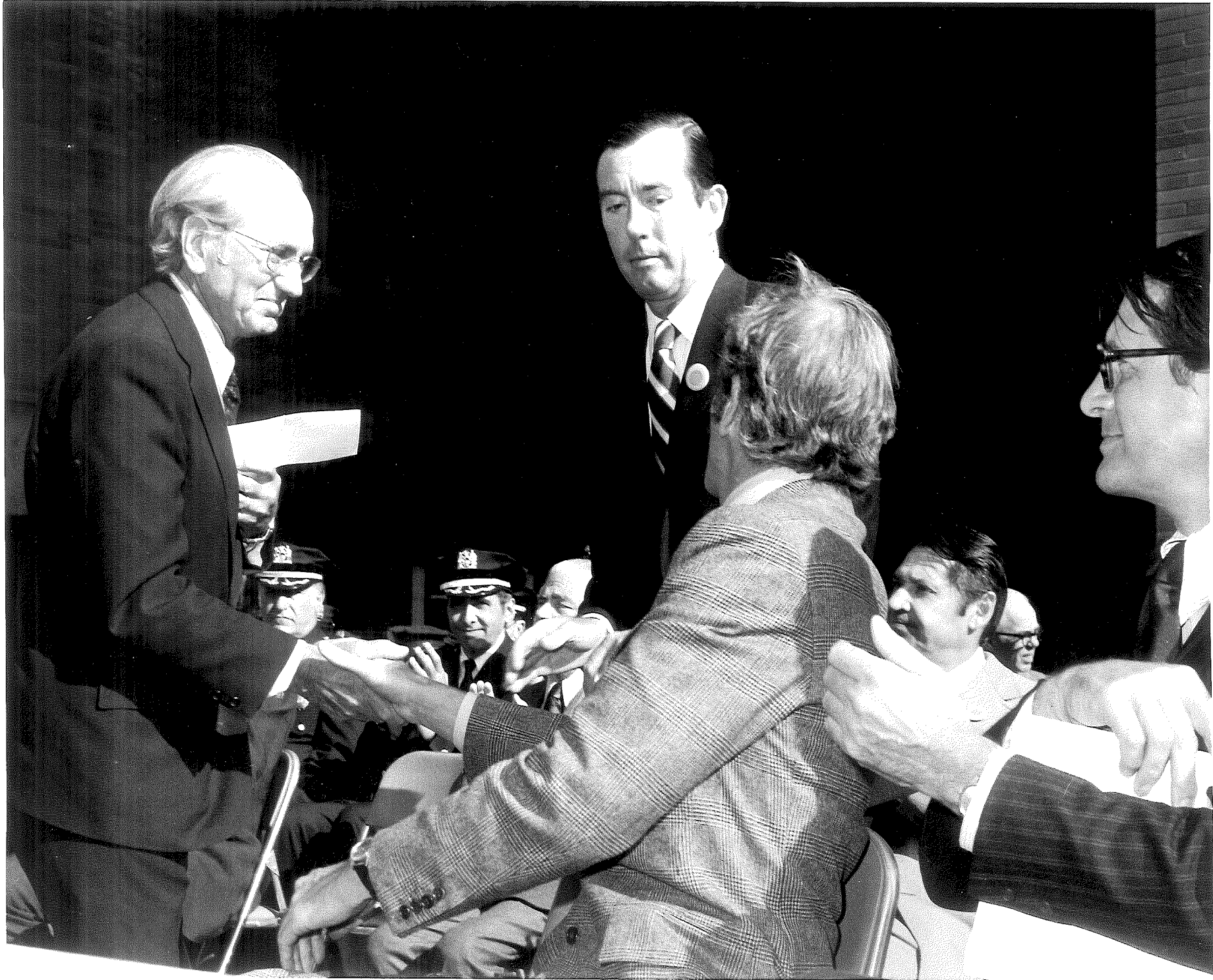
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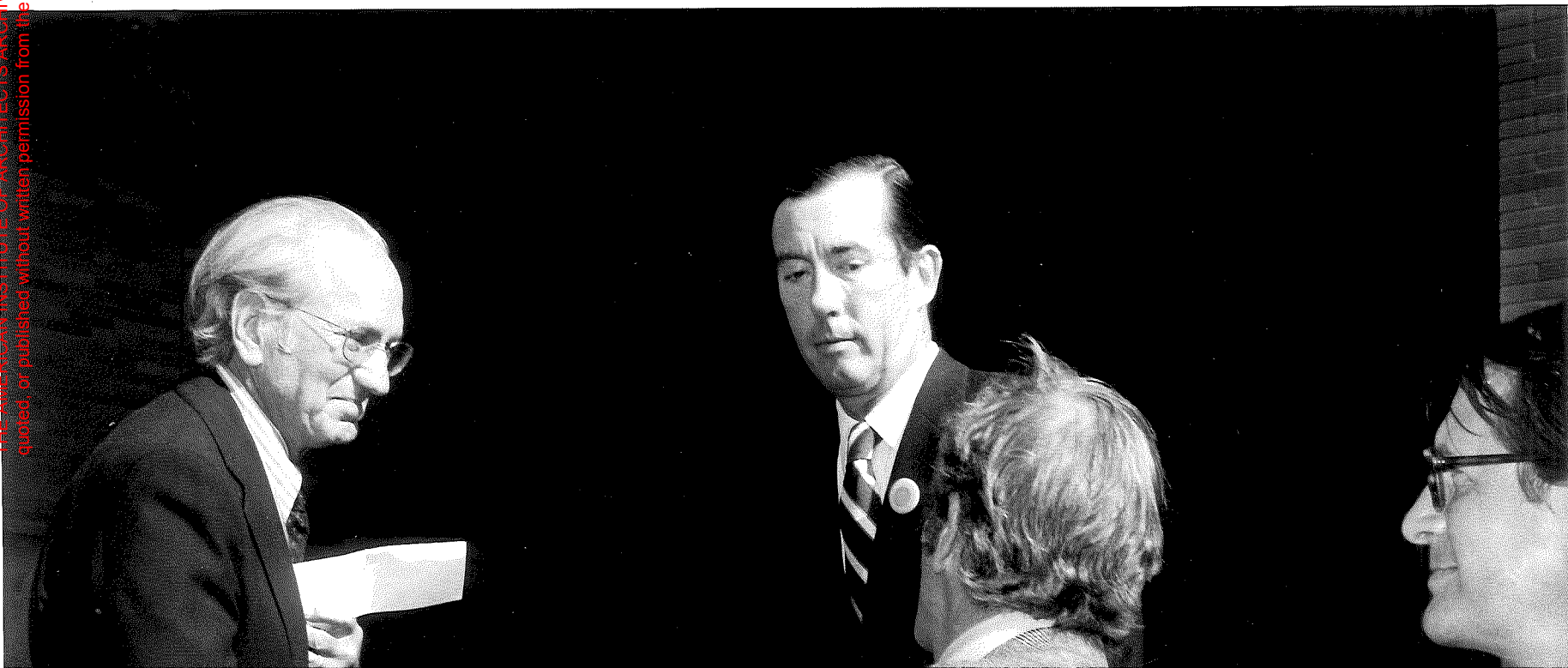
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Barney Gruzen receives New York City's Diamond Jubilee Medallion from New York's Mayor John Lindsay. The occasion was the formal dedication October 16 of New York City's new Police Headquarters designed by architects Gruzen & Partners.

Left to right, B. Sumner Gruzen, FAIA Founder and Senior Partner Gruzen & Partners ; Walter Curley, Commissioner of Public Events, City of New York; John V. Lindsay, Mayor of New York; Elliot L. Richardson, US Attorney General.

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## Application for Membership Emeritus

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,  
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Date

August 18 1973

[Handwritten Signature]  
(Applicant's Full Signature in Ink)

The applicant may supplement the above reasons in writing below or on sheets which he shall attach to this application. Under exceptional conditions and circumstances, the Board of Directors may lessen the period of good standing but not the requirements as checked above.



October 26, 1973

Mr. B. Sumner Gruzen, FAIA  
1700 Broadway  
New York, NY 10019

Dear Mr. Gruzen:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I have the pleasure of informing you that you have been elected a Member Emeritus of the Institute.

The Board joins with me in expressing my great appreciation for your many years of support of the work and projects undertaken by the Institute towards creating better architecture and a better environment.

I hope your interest in the Institute and your Chapter will continue, even though you now are relieved of all dues payments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Hilliard T. Smith, Jr., FAIA  
Secretary

cc: New York Chapter, AIA  
New York State Association of Architects

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Mrs. Maureen Marx, Director  
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The American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.  
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Dear Maureen:

Please be advised that Mr. B. Sumner Gruzen, 24 Commerce St., Newark, N. J.,  
passed away in September, 1974. (ME) FAIA

Sincerely,



Ilse Hovorka  
Administrative Assistant

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New York City (September 30)—Architect Barnett Sumner Gruzen, founder of the architectural-planning-engineering firm of Gruzen & Partners, died early Friday (September 27) at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City after a brief illness. He was 71.

Mr. Gruzen, known to all as 'Barney', was a Fellow of The American Institute of Architects, an honor conferred by the institute for the highest achievement in professional practice. Until 1971, Mr. Gruzen had been chief executive of the firm he founded as Kelly & Gruzen in 1932 at Jersey City, New Jersey. Recently, he had served the firm as a partnership consultant.

Mr. Gruzen was a resident of the landmark Dakota Apartments in New York City and the family maintained homes in Amagansett, New York, and Palm Beach, Florida. He also was a former resident of Jersey City and Maplewood in New Jersey.

Mr. Gruzen was buried yesterday afternoon at Temple B'nai Abraham Cemetery in Union, New Jersey, after memorial services conducted by the Rabbi Dr. Joachim Prinz at Temple B'nai Abraham in nearby Livingston. The temple, which was designed by the firm's Newark office, had been dedicated just one year earlier.

Eulogies for Mr. Gruzen were delivered by Rabbi Prinz, George G. Shimamoto, and Colonel Jehiel Elyachar. Mr. Shimamoto, a colleague in the firm, was hired by Mr. Gruzen from a Japanese relocation center during World War II. Just three months earlier, Mr. Gruzen himself had paid tribute to Mr. Shimamoto for 30 years of devoted service to the firm—as a partner, architect, business manager, treasurer, and partnership consultant.

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Col. Elyachar is a past president and board member of the American Society for Technion which provides technical and financial assistance to the Israel Institute of Technology. Mr. Gruzen, as a result of his architectural and philanthropic work with the society, also served it as president from 1963 to 1964 and later as a board member.

Mr. Gruzen is survived by his wife, the former Ethel Brof, of Jersey City, New Jersey, whom he married on August 7, 1930; two sons, Jordan L. Gruzen, of New York City, who is chief executive of Gruzen & Partners, and Max<sup>S</sup>~~A~~on S. Gruzen, of Amagansett, New York; and two grandchildren, two brothers, and two sisters.

Barney Gruzen was born on July 25, 1903, in Riga Latvia. He came to the United States in 1905 with his family and became a naturalized American citizen in 1925.

The late Twenties and early Thirties were busy years for the young Gruzen. After earning his citizenship, he graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in 1926 with a bachelor of architecture degree and, two years later, with a master of architecture degree.

From 1928 to 1930, he worked briefly with a number of Boston architectural firms, among them Guy Lowell; Ritchie, Parsons & Taylor; and Perry, Shaw & Hepburn. His stint with Lowell included work on the famous Williamsburg, Virginia, restoration.

In 1930, Gruzen won the Rotch Traveling Scholarship, conferred to Massachusetts residents for travel and further education. On the basis of a design for a new Plymouth Rock monument, Gruzen earned the opportunity to travel extensively throughout Europe and to study at L'Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris.

Returning to the United States in 1932, Gruzen worked briefly with the New York City architectural firms of Stone & Webster and Emery Roth. Later that year, he crossed the Hudson and established a joint venture architectural and engineering practice with Hugh A. Kelly of Jersey City.

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Kelly had begun his own architectural and engineering practice there in 1918 upon his return from military service during World War I with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. After four years of work on special projects together, Kelly & Gruzen signed papers as a legal partnership.

The firm became very active in public housing and military construction, although it continued to earn important commissions in education, health, culture, business, and other fields. At the peak of its activity in New Jersey, the firm had offices in Jersey City, Newark (two), Paterson (two), and Passaic. All were consolidated in a Newark office in the late 1940s and, later, the firm established an office in New York City (1946), Boston (1952), and Washington, D.C. (1960).

In 1941, Kelly was called back to military service and Gruzen assumed the post of chief executive of the firm, a position he held until 1971 when he stepped down to become a partnership consultant. Kelly returned to the firm in 1946 with the rank of colonel, but served only as a consultant.

In 1967, a year after the death of Colonel Kelly, the firm changed its name to Gruzen & Partners and admitted five additional architects to the partnership, among them Jordan L. Gruzen, the founder's son, who had joined the firm in its Newark office in 1958. He was named design director in 1965 and chief executive in 1971.

Barney Gruzen held architectural licenses in 15 states and was certified by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, making him eligible for practice in all states. He also was a licensed professional engineer of New Jersey.

In 1957, Gruzen was named a Fellow of The American Institute of Architects, the highest personal recognition the institute confers. He also was a member of the New York State Association of Architects, New York City chapter of The American Institute of Architects, New York Society of Architects, Architectural League of New York, New

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Jersey Society of Architects, National Association of Professional Engineers, National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials, Society of American Military Engineers, American Hospital Association, American Arbitration Association, National Institute for Architectural Education, MIT Club of New York, and the Beaux Arts Institute of Design.

Mr. Gruzen has been listed in the Marquis 'Who's Who' biographical directories since 1951, as well as directories of many professional, business, civic, and cultural organizations. He was active in a number of philanthropic organizations, among them the United Jewish Appeal and Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and served both as chairman of the architectural divisions in 1951. He also was a consultant to the Hebrew University.

Professionally, Mr. Gruzen helped organize and served as chairman and advisor on numerous design competitions, including the Ruberoid Company and New York City Brighton-Beach programs. He also twice served as a committee juror for the Rotch Traveling Scholarship which he himself had won in 1930.

Mr. Gruzen was the author of numerous magazine articles and professional papers and served frequently as keynote speaker at important functions. His wit and knowledge on matters both professional and otherwise were always evident.

Of equal importance, however, were the particular goals and concerns that he shaped for the firm—all of which are manifest today and all of which the present younger management has pledged to continue. The history of the firm has always been characterized by diversification, specialization, hard work, and opportunity and those who have worked there know what effect they have had on the firm's planning operations and design quality. Some of the country's brightest and most successful architects received their best training at Kelly & Gruzen and, at one time or another, felt the profound influence of Barney Gruzen.

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Through the years, the firm has earned more than 125 planning and design awards from leading professional, civic, business, and cultural organizations. The two greatest awards were presented recently to Mr. Gruzen himself. In October 1973, at the dedication ceremonies of the New York City Police Headquarters—a project directly initiated and supervised by him through 15 years of development—Mr. Gruzen was awarded a Diamond Jubilee Citation by then-Mayor John V. Lindsay for his personal contributions to the man-made environment of New York City.

In June of this year, at a special luncheon of the New York City chapter of The American Institute of Architects, the firm earned the 1974 Medal of Honor from that organization. The highest honor it bestows to a firm, it also was the highest award that Gruzen & Partners had earned in its 43-year history. The citation read: 'In recognition of their outstanding contribution to the City of New York through their distinguished achievements in Architecture and Urban Design, particularly in the areas of housing, public facilities, and urban space, which set high standards of service to the community.'

Among the firm's early important projects, besides its public housing work in New York and New Jersey, were: the proposed Theodore Herzl Memorial in Jerusalem; Thule Air Force Base in Greenland; Grand Union Company headquarters and some 36 supermarkets and shopping centers; Veterans Administration Hospital in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania; the proposed Trenton, New Jersey, Capitol Center Development; the West Kinney Street and Clinton Place Junior High Schools in Newark, New Jersey; the famous General George W. Wingate (banjo-design) High School in Brooklyn, New York; U.S. Army Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey; Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, New York; Passaic, New Jersey, Community Center; Rogers Memorial High School in Newport, Rhode Island; and Junior High School No. 22 in Manhattan.

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Later projects in which Mr. Gruzen exercised particular influence were the U.S. Mission to the United Nations in New York City; Pavilion of Spain at the 1964 World's Fair; Canton, Ohio, City Hall; Rutgers-The State University campus at Newark, New Jersey; Jersey City (New Jersey) State College campus redevelopment; the Central City and Litho City railroad airrights projects along the Hudson River in Manhattan; the Newark (New Jersey) Beth Israel Medical Center (to be dedicated in November); Horizon House Apartments in Fort Lee, New Jersey; Hebrew Home for the Aged in the Bronx, New York; Gorgas Hospital in Panama; the New York City Police Academy; and the new U.S. Embassy in Moscow.

The firm also participated in design competitions for the new Sydney, Australia, Opera House; Boston (Massachusetts) City Hall; Idlewild (now Kennedy) International Airport Passenger Terminal Building; and the Central Park Police Stables & Precinct, the latter in which the firm won first prize.

Perhaps the greatest monument to Mr. Gruzen's work and the energy he put into it can be found around the western approaches to the Brooklyn Bridge in Manhattan's Civic Center. It was through his efforts that the firm, from 1960 through 1974, was able to earn 10 separate commissions for diversified design projects there. The first was Chatham Green, a serpentine apartment structure which was inspired by similar plans in Europe. It was completed in 1962 and followed by the Chatham Towers Apartments (1965), Bache & Company corporate headquarters (1969), Southbridge Towers Apartments (1970), Beekman Downtown Hospital Staff Residence (1972), One Police Plaza (1973), and the U.S. Courthouse Annex (to be dedicated in December). Other projects now in design and/or construction are the U.S. Courthouse (modernization), Beekman Downtown Hospital Ambulatory Care Facility, and the Murray Bergtraum High School for Business Careers.



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Gruzen, Barnett

# BARNETT GRUZEN, ARCHITECT, DEAD

Designed Police Building,  
Others in City Hall Area

Barnett Sumner Gruzen, architect, engineer and planner, who contributed significantly to the architecture of Manhattan's Civic Center, died yesterday in Lenox Hill Hospital. He was 71 years old and lived at 1 West 72d Street.

Mr. Gruzen was founder and senior partner of the firm of Gruzen & Partners, formerly Kelly & Gruzen, which became virtually the house architect for the City Hall area. The firm's buildings include the new \$58-million Police Headquarters, opened last year near the Municipal Building.

The firm's other work near the police building includes the United States Courthouse Annex at Foley Square and the Downtown Manhattan High School, both under construction; the Southbridge Towers, Chatham Tower and Chatham Green Apartments; the Bache & Co. corporate headquarters, and the Beekman-Downtown Hospital staff residence.

For his contribution to the New York City man-made environment Mr. Gruzen received the city's Diamond Jubilee Medallion last year from Mayor John V. Lindsay.

Mr. Gruzen, a senior partner of the firm he founded in 1932, served as its chief executive from 1941 to 1971. He was brought here as an infant. He began as an architect in Jersey City in 1928, the year he received a Master of Architecture degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In 1930, after two years of professional practice, Mr. Gru-



Barnett Sumner Gruzen

zen won the Rotch Traveling Scholarship and spent the following two years studying at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris and traveling through Europe. On his return to the United States in 1932, he formed a joint venture with Hugh A. Kelly, engineer and architect of Jersey City.

Mr. Gruzen, who was named a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in 1957, was a former president of the American Technion Society, which provides financial and technical aid to the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa, and a past chairman of the architects division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

Surviving are his widow, the former Ethel Brof; two sons, Jordan L. Gruzen, chief executive of Gruzen & Partners, and Maxson S. Gruzen; two brothers; two sisters, and two grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow at 2 P.M. in Temple B'nai Abraham in Livingston, N.J.

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