

Dated October 15, 1948.
Received October 28, 1948.
Granted December 17, 1948.

MEMBERSHIP NO 6521



In due order
November 5, 1948
JH Serenis

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant... Bernard William Guenther..... Chapter New York.....
- B Address of applicant... 687 West 204 Street, New York 34, New York.....
- C Applicant proposed by... Chas. B. Meyers..... and... Wm. F. M. Ballard.....
- D Application received with check for \$.. 10.00..... on..... October 28, 1948.
- E Application returned for correction..... 19 .
- F Application in due order on..... November 5, 19 48.
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent (N.Y.), Nov. 1, 19, 48. Received. November 10 19 48
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on..... December 5, 19 48 on November 5, 19 48.
 - (b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on..... 19 ., on 19 .
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on..... November 5, 19 48.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission
or that application be denied received on..... December 7, 19 48.
- J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... December 8, 19 48.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... December 8, 19 48.
- M Applicant was admitted on..... December 17, 19 48.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter
to proposers on..... December 17, 19 48.
- O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$.....
returned to applicant on..... 19 .

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT

I, Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, hereby certify that, under authority vested in me by The Board of Directors, I have this day duly elected

Bernard William Guenther

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 York Chapter.

Date December 17, 19 48

Secretary

(a)



INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.

Mail this original and check for \$10.00 to The Secretary, The American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

File the duplicate, on yellow paper, with the secretary of the local Chapter of The Institute.

The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

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

1. My full name is **Bernard William Guenther**

2. I am a citizen of the U. S. A.

3. My legal residence is in the City of **New York**

County of **New York** State of **New York**

4. My address in The Institute records will be

Number **687** Street **West 204 Street**

City **New York** Zone **34** State **N. Y.**

5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as **a practicing architect**

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

7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws; and the Standards of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, which are attached hereto; and the Rules and Regulations supplementary thereto; and that I understand the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of a member of The Institute.

8. I have filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the Chapter above named. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its component organizations.

9. I enclose my check for \$10.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues, of which \$1.00 is for a year's subscription to the *Bulletin of The American Institute of Architects*. It is my understanding that if I am not admitted to membership \$5.00 will be returned to me, and \$5.00 retained by The Institute as an examination fee.

Date **October 15, 1948**

Bernard William Guenther
Applicant sign full name in ink

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2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

4. State whether residence or office address.

5. State whether a practicing architect, a teacher or a public official.

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STATISTICS

10. Date of birth *May 11, 1904* Place of birth *New York City*

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

New York State - Certificate No. 4407

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

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

EDUCATION

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

<i>Name of School, College, University</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>No. of Years</i>	<i>Year of Graduation</i>	<i>Degree</i>
<i>Stuyvesant High School</i>	<i>New York City</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>1921</i>	
<i>Pratt Institute (evening)</i>	<i>New York City</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>- 1922-1926</i>
<i>New York University</i>	<i>New York City</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>- 1927-1933</i>
<i>Beaux Arts Institute of Design</i>	<i>New York City</i>		<i>-</i>	<i>- 1927-1933</i>

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

Travelled - Germany, France, Italy

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

13. I list below, in chronological order, the periods of my training as draftsman, the names and addresses of my principal employers, and my classification as draftsman while employed by each:

	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	
<i>Robert T. Lyons - Architect</i>	<i>1921</i>	<i>1924</i>	<i>Jr. Draftsman</i>
<i>363 Lexington Avenue, N.Y.C.</i>	<i>1925</i>	<i>1928</i>	<i>Sr. Draftsman</i>
	<i>1929</i>	<i>1933</i>	<i>Chief Draftsman and Office Manager</i>

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

14. I list below, in chronological order, the periods during which and the states in which I have practiced architecture as an individual or as a member of a firm or corporation or as a public official or have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith. (State names of firms or corporations or public office and of schools or colleges).

	From	To	
Mortgage Commission of State of New York	1935	1938	Architectural Consultant
Dept. of Public Works - New York City	1938	1941	Architectural Designer
Division of Housing - State of New York	1941	1946	Housing Consultant
Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York	1946	1947	Housing Consultant
Private Practice	1947	1948	Architect

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

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

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 16. Member of Institute from _____ to _____
- 17. Junior of Institute from _____ to _____
- 18. Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 19. Junior Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 20. Student Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 21. Member of State Organization in _____ from _____ to _____

ENDORSEMENT BY PROPOSERS

(The two proposers must be corporate members of The Institute in good standing.)

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

I have known the applicant for 10 years. I have known the applicant for 10 years.

Signed Charles J. Meyer

Proposer
31 Union St. West
Address

Chas. B. Meyers 3.

Signed Wm. F. M. Ballard

Proposer
123 East 77th St
Address

Wm. F. M. Ballard



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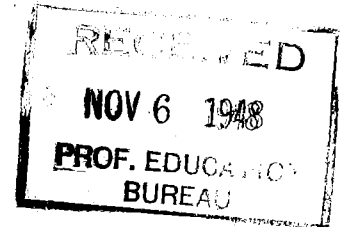
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF

Bernard William Guenther, New York, New York
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Albany, New York
Address



Dear Sir:

The above named applicant for membership in The American Institute of Architects is an architect practicing in your state.

To qualify for such membership, an applicant, if resident in a state having registration or licensing laws for architects, must be registered or licensed by the state to practice architecture therein.

Will you please answer the following questions relating to the applicant's registration, to assist The Institute in determining his eligibility for membership? A duplicate of the form is enclosed for your files.

Date November 1, 19 48

John W. Paige
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? yes or by exemption?
3. What was the scope of the examination?
arch. eng. 97 arch. hist. 98
arch. pract. 100 arch. comp. 76
4. What was the period of the examination? 4 days. Written examination 30 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 Jan 2 19 33 Registration No. 4407 Is it current? yes
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Date Nov. 9 19 48

John W. Paige
(Signature of Secretary of Board)
Chief - Bm. of Prof. Ed.
New York State Education Department
(Name of Board)

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 17, 1948

Dear Mr. Guenther:

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 York Chapter, effective December 17, 1948. 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. Bernard William Guenther, A.I.A.
687 West 204th Street
New York 24, New York

GWD/kk
Enclosures

cc to: Proposers - Mr. Chas. B. Meyers, A.I.A.
Mr. Wm. F. M. Ballard, A.I.A.

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*Members,
Guenther, Bernard W.*

Aug. 15, 1960

Miss E. L. Woodward
c/o Brown & Guenther, Architects
1860 Broadway
New York 23, New York

Dear Miss Woodward:

Enclosed, herewith, is a membership certificate for Mr. Guenther, as requested in your letter of June 28th.

Mr. Brown's is not completed yet - however, immediately upon its receipt it will be forwarded to you.

Sincerely yours,

Maureen K. Marx
Membership Department

Enclosure

*Membership
Certificates*



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Application for Membership Emeritus

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in the Institute for the following reasons:

Check the appropriate reason

- I am more than 70 years of age. *BORN Nov 11, 1904 New York City.*
- I am 60 years of age, retired, and not engaged in architecture.
- I am unable to engage in architecture.

I have been in good standing in the Institute and the *New York* Chapter for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Date

June 6 19 *74*

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(Applicant's Full Signature In Ink)

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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.

June 24, 1974

Mr. Bernard Guenther, AIA, Member Emeritus
250 W. 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Guenther:

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, AIA

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For Immediate Release

BERNARD W. GUENTHER, PROMINENT NEW YORK ARCHITECT, DIES AT 76

New York, New York, November 26, 1980 -- Bernard W. Guenther, a prominent New York architect and former senior partner of Brown & Guenther, died Wednesday of heart failure at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in Manhattan.

Born in New York City in 1904, Mr. Guenther attended Pratt Institute. In 1948, he established the architectural firm of Brown & Guenther which played a key role in the design and development of numerous apartment buildings, churches and schools in the New York metropolitan area. Among its many design projects, Brown & Guenther attained distinction in Manhattan through a number of innovative approaches to urban architecture including one of the first uses of "air rights" in the construction of The Bridge Apartments which straddle the Cross Bronx Expressway; Queensview, New York's first cooperative apartment project; Ebbets Field Apartments, one of New York's largest single apartment buildings constructed on the former site of the Brooklyn Dodger ballpark and handled preliminary projects for the West Side Urban Renewal Area. Brown & Guenther also was an innovator in the design and development of school/apartment combinations through which income generated by apartment buildings would fund school operating costs -- the most notable example being The Trinity School in Manhattan.

Mr. Guenther was former head of the Board of Church Architecture of The Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. He was also a trustee of Concordia College, Bronxville, New York and a member of the American Institute of Architects.

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He is survived by his wife, the former Elsie Meyer; his three children, Paul, Daniel and Dorothea, and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at the New Paltz Reform Church of New Paltz, New York on Saturday, November 29, 1980 at 11:00 A.M.

The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to The Fund for Heart Research, Presbyterian Hospital, 622 West 168th Street, New York City, 10032.

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