

Dated March 14, 1945.
Received May 2, 1945.
Granted August 15, 1945.

MEMBERSHIP NO 3412



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

*In due order
May 10, 1945
Harrison's*

- (Lt. Commander)
- A Name of applicant... Victor L. S. Hafner Chapter New York
Fourth Naval District, Public Works Department, Navy Yard
- B Address of applicant... (~~608 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.~~) Phila. 12, Pa.
- C Applicant proposed by Wallace K. Harrison and Roy F. Larson, F.A.I.A.
- D Application received with check for \$ 10.00 on May 2, 1945.
- E Application returned for correction 19 .
- F Application in due order on May 10, 1945.
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent (N.Y.) May 10, 1945. Received May 16, 1945.
(N.J.) May 10, 1945 " May 15, 1945
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on June 10, 1945, on May 10, 1945.
 - (b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on July 10, 1945, on June 9, 1945.
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on May 10, 1945.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~as that application was denied~~ received on July 18, 1945.
- J No report from chapter executive committee on 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on August 7, 1945.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on August 7, 1945.
- M Applicant ~~was~~ admitted on August 15, 1945.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter to proposers on August 15, 1945.
- O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$ 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

Lt. Commander Victor L. S. Hafner
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 August 15, 1945.

Alexander C. Galvanis
Secretary

MAY 2 1945

ORIGINAL

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

File the duplicate, on yellow 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 Victor L. S. Hafner

2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

2. I am a natural citizen of The United States of America

3. My legal residence is in the City of New York, County of New York, State of New York
County of New York State of New York

4. State whether residence or office address.

4. My address in The Institute records will be New York City (after the war)

Number Street
City State

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

5. I was engaged in the profession of architecture as practising architect in the City of New York before the war and will resume such practice after the war.

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

7. I declare that I have read the by-laws and the Principles of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities and obligations thereunder of a member of The Institute, and I do hereby agree and declare that, if admitted to membership, I will to the best of my ability abide by and comply with such by-laws and Principles of Professional Practice.

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 chapters or state association members.

9. I enclose my check for \$10.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues. It is my understanding that if for any reason I am not admitted to membership all of said amount will be returned to me, except five dollars which The Institute will retain as an examination fee.

Date March 14 1945

Victor L. S. Hafner
Applicant sign full name in ink

PAID
DATE \$10.00 5/3/45

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STATISTICS

10. Date of birth Sept. 21, 1892 Place of birth Cincinnati, Ohio
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:

Boston English High School
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
American Academy in Rome
Winner of the Grande Prix De Rome in Architecture

Travelled in the following countries:
Italy, Greece, Constantinople, Palestine and the Near East,
Egypt, North Africa, Germany, Belgium, France, Switzerland
and England

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:

Cass Gilbert, New York		
McKim, Meade & White , New York		
John Russell Pope	"	"
Warren & Whitmore	"	"
Thomas W. Lamb	"	"
Rapp & Rapp	"	"

(Periods of employment with above architects ranged from 1 to 4 years. I have been identified with office buildings, hospitals, theatres, residential work, apartment houses, schools, municipal and national buildings).

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).

In 1929 I established myself in practice of architecture at 608 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 15. Member of Institute from _____ to _____
16. Junior of Institute from _____ to _____
17. Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
18. Junior Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
19. Member of State Association in _____ from _____ to _____

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 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 20 years.

I have known the applicant for 21 years.

Signed: [Signature]
Proposer

Signed: [Signature]
Proposer

45 Rockefeller Plaza, N.Y.C.
Address

1518 Walnut St. Phila.
Address

Note: The two proposers must be corporate members of The Institute in good standing.

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MAY 15 1945
AP No
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF

Victor L. S. Hafner, New York, New York
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Newark 2, New Jersey
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 May 10, 19 45

Alexander C. Robinson III.
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? Board examination (Senior) or by exemption? ---
3. What was the scope of the 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? no. If so, give Certificate No.
6. Date of last registration 1929 19..... Registration No. C-1650 Is it current? no

cancelled 1930 for
non-payment.

Gilbert H. Hefley
(Secretary of Board)

New Jersey State Board of Architects.
(Name of Board)

Date May 14, 19 45.

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BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Albany, New York
Address

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Date May 10, 19 45

Alexander C. Robinson Jr.
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Licensed
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? yes or by exemption?
3. What was the scope of the examination? License issued May 6 1945 on basis of certificate from Mass. Inst. of Technology 1918 - and three years experience
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? None If so, give Certificate No. license
6. Date of last registration Has not reg for current year 19 —. Registration No. 2868 Is it current? no

H. L. Fields
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date May 15 19 45

New York State Education Department
(Name of Board)

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THE AMERICAN
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1945 MAY 24 AM 9:22

WASHINGTON, D. C.

JAMES R. EDMUNDS, JR. PRESIDENT
SAMUEL E. LUNDEN VICE-PRESIDENT
ALEXANDER C. ROBINSON, III SECRETARY
CHARLES F. CELLARIUS TREASURER

EDWARD C. KEMPER
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.

WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

May 18, 1945

Dear Mr. Hafner:

With further reference to your application for membership in The Institute, and assignment to the New York Chapter:

A requisite of The Institute membership is that the applicant must be a registered architect when he is practicing in a state which has a law requiring registration.

We are advised by the New York State Education Department that your registration to practice in that State has lapsed.

Accordingly, we are holding your application for receipt of information from you as to your plans with regard to renewing your license as an architect in the State. Upon hearing from you, we shall be glad to take such further action as may be indicated.

Sincerely yours,

E. C. Kemper
Executive Secretary.

FHG:ekp

Mr. Victor L. S. Hafner
608 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dr. I can't see why I am not eligible

*Sincerely yours
Victor L. S. Hafner*

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IN REPLY ADDRESS
THE PUBLIC WORKS OFFICER
FOURTH NAVAL DISTRICT
J. S. NAVY YARD, PHILADELPHIA 12, PA.
AND REFER TO NO.

FOURTH NAVAL DISTRICT

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
NAVY YARD, PHILADELPHIA 12, PA.

THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1945 MAY 23 AM 9:04

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 22, 1945

American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Dear sir:

Your information regarding
my lapse of registration
must be an error.

The New York State
Education Department notified
me that as long as I was
in the service of the navy I would
be exempt from the yearly
registration fee.

I shall write immediately
to N.Y. State.

Sincerely yours

A. C. Cunde - Lt. L. S. Caffer

Please send all future mail to
the above address.



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1945 MAY 28 AM 9:46

WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.

WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

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ALEXANDER C. ROBINSON, III SECRETARY
CHARLES F. CELLARIUS TREASURER

EDWARD C. KEMPER EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

May 23, 1945

Dear Commander Hafner:

We are in receipt of yours of May 22, concerning your status as a registered architect in the State of New York.

We did not know that you are in service in the Navy when your application was received. In view of this service, the requirement for current registration may be waived by The Board of Examiners, and we are submitting your application to that Board as soon as it is approved by the New York Chapter.

It is noted that you wish further correspondence sent to you at the Navy Yard in Philadelphia.

Sincerely yours,

[Handwritten signature of E. C. Kemper]

Executive Secretary.

FHG:ekp

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Handwritten note: I received today the registration form or card from the N.Y. State Dept of Education which I filled out & enclosed my \$4 check which again places me in good status in N.Y. State as a registered architect. I have 608 Fifth Ave N.Y.C. as my business address until further notice but your mail to this address. Thanks so much V. L. S. Hafner

THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1945 MAY 31 AM 9:33

WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 28, 1945

Lt. Comdr. Victor L.S. Hafner
Fourth Naval District
Public Works Department, Navy Yard
Philadelphia 12, Pa.

Dear Comdr. Hafner:

I have your letter of May 22nd. I find that on August 27, 1943, your wife returned your 1943-44 application renewal card, at which time she advised us that you were serving outside the continental limits of the U.S.A. Your record cards were then placed in our "Armed Force" file.

It is not necessary for you to maintain registration while you are a member of the Armed Forces. An application renewal card was mailed to you on May 25th. However, I am enclosing a duplicate application card, in the event the first application card has not reached you by this time. You may return this application card together with a check or money order of \$4.00, in order to obtain your 1944-46 certificate of registration.

Yours very truly,


James O. Hoyle

JOH:Mc

CC: The American Institute
of Architects

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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COPY

August 15, 1945

Dear Commander Hafner:

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 August 15, 1945. 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.

Yours sincerely,

Alexander C. Robinson III
Secretary

ACR:D
Enclosure

Lt. Commander Victor L. S. Hafner, A.I.A.
Public Works Department
Fourth Naval District
Navy Yard
Philadelphia 12, Pa.

cc to Proposers: Mr. Roy F. Larson
Mr. Wallace K. Harrison

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**VICTOR L. HAFNER,
AN ARCHITECT, 54**

**Navy Veteran of 2 World Wars
Dies—Once Warned Vatican
on Dome of St. Peter's**

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

IRVINGTON - ON - HUDSON, N. Y., April 27—Victor L. S. Hafner, architect, with an office at 101 Park Avenue, New York, died here today of a heart attack in his home at 99 North Broadway, at the age of 54.

Born in Cincinnati, he was graduated in architecture from the Massachusetts Institute of Architecture in 1917. After serving in the first World War as an ensign, aiding in naval architectural work, he won a Rotch traveling scholarship in 1920. The next year he won a three-year fellowship in architecture in the Prix de Rome competition sponsored by the American Academy in Rome.

During his three years in Rome, Mr. Hafner made a thorough study of the dome of St. Peter's and in 1924 came to the conclusion that it was in an unsafe condition. The Vatican authorities paid enough attention to his assertions to reply to them. Cardinal Merry del Val stated that the cracks in the dome mentioned by Mr. Hafner presented "no danger whatever," but that the dome's condition would, nevertheless, receive close study from an international committee to reassure the faithful throughout the world.

Among the New York structures with which Mr. Hafner was associated as designer is the Goelet Building. During the period of the recent war he served for nearly seven years in the Navy, rising from lieutenant to commander.

He was a member of Kane Masonic Lodge, the Long Island Chapter of the National Sojourners, the Architectural League, American Institute of Architects, American Legion, New York Yacht Club, and Military Naval Club.

Mr. Hafner leaves a widow, the former Harriet Gordon, two daughters, Beatrice and Patricia Hafner, and a brother, Charles Andrew Hafner of New York.