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January 16, 1959

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C.

FACTUAL

#### Gentlemen:

I am most pleased to endorse the nomination of William Stephen Allen of the Northern California Chapter for advancement to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

I have known and worked with Mr. Allen for the past five years in Institute affairs. I served with him as a member of the Public Relations Committee and later had the pleasure of appointing him Chairman of this important National Committee. The tact and diplomacy with which he handled many difficult problems that arose in this Committee's operation proved him to be a man of outstanding character.

While Mr. Allen has distinguished himself by his outstanding service to the Institute, he has made himself known throughout the profession by his excellent designs. The proof of his ability as a designer is the many Awards of Honor and Merit that he has received nationally and in California.

It is a pleasure to recommend Mr. Allen, a gentleman and a distinguished architect, to you for advancement to Fellowship.

Sincerely yours,

CHATELAIN, GAUGER AND NOLAN

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#### VIA AIR MAIL

16 FEBRUARY 1959

JURY OF FELLOWS
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D.C.

RE: WILLIAM STEPHEN ALLEN

GENTLEMEN:

HAVING JUST RETURNED FROM AN EXTENDED VACATION, I FIND THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, HAS NOMINATED STEVE ALLEN FOR FELLOWSHIP, APPARENTLY IN DESIGN, ALTHOUGH THE CATEGORY WAS NOT MENTIONED. EVENTHOUGH THIS LETTER WILL ARRIVE AFTER THE NORMAL FEBRUARY 1ST DEADLINE, I TRUST IT STILL MAY BE CONSIDERED BY THE JURY IN STEVE SEHALF.

FACTUAL

I HAVE LONG BEEN AWARE OF HIS FIRM S GOOD DESIGN RECORD, AND IT IS MY IMPRESSION THAT BOTH STEVE AND BOB ANSHEN DO THIS PART OF THEIR WORK. I HAVE PERSONALLY SEEN SOME OF THEIR CALIFORNIA PROJECTS, AS WELL AS NOTED MANY OTHERS IN THE ARCHITECTURAL JOURNALS. PERSONALLY, I WOULD CONSIDER STEVE ALLEN A PRIME CANDIDATE FOR FELLOWSHIP IN DESIGN. HOWEVER, MY CLOSE PERSONAL CONTACT FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS HAS BEEN WITH HIM ON THE AIA PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAM, WHERE I SERVED WITH HIM ALL THAT TIME. HIS FINE SENSE OF VALUES AND GOOD JUDGEMENT IN INSTITUTE MATTERS LEAVE NO DOUBT THAT STEVE IS ONE OF OUR MOST VALUED MEMBERS.

I BELIEVE HIS DESIGN RECORD WILL INDICATE THAT THE JURY WILL FIND VERY FEW, IF ANY OTHER CURRENT CANDIDATES SO ABLY QUALIFIED AS STEVE ALLEN, AND I HEARTILY RECOMMEND HIM FOR FELLOWSHIP IN DESIGN.

SINCE RELY,

KARL KAMRATH, FAIA

KK KJ ROBERT E. ALEXANDER a merican institute of architects american society of planning officials

February 2, 1959

The Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington 6, D.C.

FACTUAL

#### Gentlemen:

William Stephen Allen and his work have been known to me for several years. His design for the Chapel of the Holy Cross at Sedona, Arizona alone should qualify him for advancement to fellowship.

He has raised substantially the standards of design for development housing throughout the country by his work in the Northern California area. The prestige of the entire profession has been advanced in the building and business world through his efforts.

I thoroughly support his advancement to Fellowship.

Lest E alexander

Cordially yours,

Robert E. Alexander

REA/yk



#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

47 KEARNY STREET . SAN FRANCISCO 8 . DOUGLAS 2-7397

January 30, 1959

The Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Ave. N.W. Washington 6, D.C.

FACTUAL

#### Gentlemen:

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I add my endorsement of the nomination of William Stephen Allen for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I have worked closely with Mr. Allen in Chapter affairs for a number of years, and in that period have come to know him not only as a fine architect, but as a man of outstanding personal integrity and character.

In relation to his professional accomplishments, I have been particularly appreciative of the great contribution that he has made in the field of residential subdivision planning and residential design, which has been amply recognized by many national awards. Additionally, his firm's venture into the ecclesiastical field in their Chapel at Sedona, Arizona, brought a much merited award.

In relation to Mr. Allen's corrige to his profession. I had the real privilege of working with him at the time he was president of this Chapter, and in his subsequent participation in Chapter and national A.I.A. activities.

It is my sincere conviction that Mr. Allen is an outstanding candidate for Fellowship, and that his election to the College of Fellows will mean a great deal to the profession.

Very truly yours.

Donald Powers Smith

President

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MILTON WIRTZ, A.I.A. HAROLD CALHOUN, F.A.I.A. MACE TUNGATE, A.I.A. R. GRAHAM JACKSON, A.I.A.

January 29, 1959

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

I'm delighted to endorse Stephen Allen's nomination for Advancement to Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

To me, one of Steve's most exciting examples of excellence in design is the Chapel of the Holy Cross. It is a rare creation of religious architecture that belongs to its environment. Another refreshing example of his design ability that blends with the environment is the Visitor Center at Dinosaus National Monument. I believe these examples are outstanding in their simplicity of expression yet are enriched due to the unusual requirements of function.

Being a member of the A.I.A. Public Relations Committee, whose chairman is Steve Allen, and having observed him in action, I am convinced of his keen ensight into the affairs of the Institute as well as his sincere dedication to the improvement of the architectural profession.

Sincerely,

Harold Calhoun, F.A.I.A.

HC/apr.

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January 29, 1959

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The Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

Washington 6, D.C.

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

When I first became active in A.I.A. activities three years ago, Mr. William Stephen Allen had already been serving the Chapter, the California Council, and the National A.I.A. for many years, in many capacities, and had risen to the office of Chapter President. It is not uncommon for a man, at this point, to conclude that he had "served his term" and that others might henceforth carry on the Chapter work. I have, therefore, been deeply impressed with Mr. Allen's continuing vigorous service to the Chapter as delegate to the California Council and on many specific assignments on various special and standing committees. In summary, I assert that Mr. Allen's service to the Institute has been and is faithful, unstinting and effective.

The work which Mr. Allen has done, with his partner, is of course well known and much honored. I have personally derived much pleasure from those of his works which I have seen; the subdivision houses for Eichler homes in Palo Alto; the subdivision houses

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for Crocker Co. in San Rafael (which I almost bought); and of course the beautiful Chapel of the Holy Cross, which I have seen only in pictures. The little Gas Company office which was built in my home town of Walnut Creek continues, after six years of almost weekly viewing, to appear fresh and satisfying, and is a source of pleasure to those who see and use it.

It is with much satisfaction that I endorse the Northern California Chapter's nomination for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects of William Stephen Allen.

Very truly yours,

Treasurer /

Northern California Chapter

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Jury of Fellows The Octagon Washington, D.C.

FACTUAL

Reference William Steven Allen

#### Gentlemen:

I have known Steve Allen for more than twelve years, and during most of this time I have spent a good deal of time with him and feel that I can speak about him with some knowledge that may be of interest to you.

Steve is widely known in this area, and I am sure throughout the country, as a person with the highest quality personal and business character. He has always been industrious in his pursuit of better relationships between the client and the architect, the builder and architect, and the general public and the architect. This becomes quite evident when one reviews the kind of jobs he has undertaken on behalf of his firm and the A.I.A. both locally and nationally.

He possesses a very high degree of design quality as evidenced by his awards, received from various and divergent groups; and in addition, he has made an outstanding reputation for himself among his contemporaries and is looked upon with great respect.

Steve Allen has a strong interest in good government which will give the public more of the better things that inspired thinking and design can produce. This may be seen by his intense activities as a member of the Art Commission, and the Government Relation Committee of our own Chapter and Chairmanship of the Public Relations Committee of the national A.I.A.

I feel confident that you would have great difficulty in awarding a fellowship in the American Institute of Architects to a finer person than William Steven Allen.

Very truly yours,

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JOHN W. KRUSE

January 29, 1959

#### JOHN LORD KING

ARCHITECT A. I. A.

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28 January 1959

Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects Washington, D.C. FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

This year the Northern California Chapter has nominated William Stephen Allen for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. As an individual who has known Mr. Allen for a good many years and as a director of the Chapter here in San Francisco, I can only reiterate what many other architects have undoubtedly said - how greatly indebted the architectural profession is to him for his outstanding contribution in design and to the American Institute of Architects.

There is no firm in California that has done more to lift the suburban house out of mediocrity than has his. The many awards that Anshen and Allen have received in this field has probably done as much to elevate the taste and stimulate interest in small residential development than has any other single factor.

In other fields as well his contribution has been outstanding. Certainly the Chapel in Sedona, Arizona, which has been recognized nationally, will rank as one of the major architectural achievements of recent years.

During the past few years the American Institute of Architects in Northern California has grown greatly in stature in the eyes of the general public. For the past eight or nine years Mr. Allen has actively furthered this growth, having served as either member or chairman of nearly all the important committees as well as serving as president.

Certainly the Institute would benefit greatly by having such a person as Mr. Allen elected to Fellowship.

Yours very truly

JLK:q

# Joseph Esherick, A. I. A. Architect

2065 POWELL STREET, SAN FRANCISCO II GARFIELD 1-3643
28 January 1959

Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue N W Washington 6, D C

FACTUAL

Dear Sirs:

William Stephen Allen and I have been acquainted for better than 20 years now and it is with pleasure that I offer my own personal comments regarding his nomination for the Fellowship in the Institute. Mr. Allen has contributed greatly to the activities of the Northern California Chapter of The A.I.A. and to the California Council of the A.I.A., as well as to the National organization. His contribution has always been effective and not only to the best interests of the profession but to the community at large.

His own personal work has been marked by great distinction over a period of years and while he has received many awards for recent work I feel it should be called to the attention of the Committee that I, at least, feel that there are a large number of additional earlier works that are even superior to the more recent winners of honors. In saying this I do not mean to detract in any sense from the acknowledged distinction of the "known" buildings; I merely wish to call attention to the more or less unknown things.

The effect of Mr. Allen's professional work has also been felt in the community and the effect has been a most salutary one.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Esherick /JJ
Joseph Esherick

JE:JJ



January 27, 1959

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, NW
Washington 6, D. C.

#### Gentlemen:

It is a pleasure and an honor to endorse Mr. William Stephen Allen for elevation to fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

This is an architect who has conferred distinction on our profession by the quality of his work and by being himself a wonderful person.

I endorse him wholeheartedly as a gentleman and an architect. I think we want him very much as a fellow.

Sincerely,

PERKINS & WILL

Lawrence B. Perkins, F.A.I.A.

LBP:ptw

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January 27, 1959

Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C.

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

Mr. William Stephen Allen has been nominated by our Chapter for fellowship in the Institute for "design and service to the Institute." I have known Mr. Allen for several years and have worked quite closely with him in A.I.A. Chapter and California Council affairs. His very sincere interest in public relations has gradually led him over the years into the chairmanship of the National Public Relations Committee in which he has been very active. His grasp of the problem and his devotion to the work of promoting acceptance of the profession by the public have been very effective.

As a member of the firm of Anshen & Allen his design talent has been recognized on numerous occasions by awards from all types of organizations and publications over the last few years. These awards were climaxed by the very wide recognition received by his design for the Chapel of the Holy Cross at Sedona, Arizona, which has been honored not only by the American Institute of Architects but by other organizations as well. Mr. Allen is a brilliant architect and has a thorough understanding of the use of materials and the crafts.

Mr. Allen is a man of great personal integrity who has a very sincere interest in the development of architecture. He is one who has the respect of all who know him and one whom I am proud to recommend for fellowship in the Institute.

Yours very truly,

CB:k

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January 26, 1959

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

#### Gentlemen:

I am glad to support the nomination of William Stephen Allen for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects. He is an outstanding designer and a great credit to the profession.

Mr. Allen has been an active and valuable member of the Northern California Chapter for many years. He has served with distinction on important committees, including the Chairmanship of the national Public Relations Committee.

In my opinion Mr. Allen's record speaks for itself and I highly recommend him for advancement to Fellowship.

Sincerely,

JOHN WELLBORN ROOT, FAIA

JWR:mc

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24 January 1959

#### AIR MAIL

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

FACTUAL

It gives me great pleasure to commend Stephen Allen to your attention for the elevation to Fellowship for design in the American Institute of Architects.

Anshen and Allen have been responsible to a major degree for architectural improvement of tract houses as they persuaded the home builder, Joseph Eichler, to break with the usual dull forms.

Their Chapel in Arizona has received much praise.

I have worked with them on the work they are designing for the University of California in Berkeley and it is distinguished work.

This is well deserved and has my hearty support.

Respectfully yours

William W. Wurster, Dean

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WWW:bc

MASTEN AND HURD

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January 23, 1959

AIR MAIL

CHARLES F. MASTEN, A. I. A.

FACTUAL

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

In my opinion Mr. William Stephen Allen is highly qualified for a Fellowship. He is a man with integrity and has high ethical standards.

The University of Pennsylvania, School of Architecture, awarded him the Woodman Traveling Fellowship for outstanding ability.

Upon completing a trip around the world on the Traveling Fellowship, Mr. Allen was employed by our office as chief designer. He held this position from 1937 until 1942, when he left to join the Navy. Mr. Allen left the Services having the rank of Commander. We considered projects designed by Mr. Allen to be outstanding; namely, University of California buildings, junior colleges, high schools, firehouses, county jails, residences and housing projects. I do not believe it necessary to enumerate specific jobs that he designed while in our office, inasmuch as Mr. Allen has done a superior job of his own since opening an office with Mr. Robert Anshen under the firm name of Anshen and Allen. Specially worthy of note are the following projects:

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sedona, Arizona
Award of Honor, A. I. A.

Chemistry Buildings Complex, University of California

American President Lines Building, San Francisco
Completed design stage, building not yet completed

Mr. Allen served on the City of San Francisco Art Commission for five years. Since the War, Mr. Allen has served almost continuously

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January 23, 1959

on committees for the Northern California Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and the State Council of Architects; a few of the committees follow:

Chairman, Competitions Committee

1958 - 1959

Public Relations Committee

Delegate to State Council

1955 - 1957

He also served as President, Vice-President, Director for the Northern California Chapter, A. I. A.

His many Awards of Honor, Merit and/or Mention substantiate his outstanding ability as an Architect and as a designer of superior merit.

It gives me extreme pleasure to know that our Chapter is recommending Mr. Allen for a Fellowship and I sincerely endorse him for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Charles & master

Charles F. Masten, F.A.I.A.

CFM: MD

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ARTHUR B. SWEETSER

FACTUAL

January 22, 1959

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

Gentlemen:

It gives me special pleasure to endorse the nomination of William Stephen Allen for advancement to Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. I have known him as an architect and as a friend for many years and believe that he is most worthy of this proposed honor.

Through his career, he has been consistently an effective worker on behalf of our profession and its ideals and has served faithfully on many important committees and as a leader in Chapter affairs. As an architect, he has been outstanding and is deserving of a full share of credit for the work of his firm, Anshen & Allen.

I have particularly admired the many fine houses he has done in the Bay Area of California, which have helped materially to raise the general level of contemporary residential architecture. His firm's famous Chapel of the Holy Cross is a splendid example of what an imaginative and creative architect can do to blend an unusual structure into its natural surroundings, which in this case were difficult and unique.

I heartily agree with his nominators that he will make an excellent Fellow.

Yours most sincerely,

ERNEST J. KUMP, F.A.I.A.

EJK/lod

January 22, 1959

Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, 1735 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this in behalf of Stephen Allen who is being proposed for a Fellowship in the Institute.

Stephen Allen's many awards for fine architecture throughout the country has made him well known to his fellow architects as a person of great ability.

In addition he has rendered service to the Chapter in various capacities from Committee Member to Chapter President.

I believe that these achievements together with his fine character should place him highly in the estimation of the Jury of Fellows.

Sincerely yours,

Gardner A. Dailey, F.A.I.A.

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## HAROLD R. SLEEPER, F.A.LA, ARCHITECT

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January 21, 1959

Jury of Fellows American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I support with much enthusiasm the Northern California Chapter's nomination of Stephen Allen for elevation to Fellowship.

His fine designs for the Sedone Chapel of the Holy Cross is outstanding. He has done much for furthering good design in housing developments. I have been on several juries where his works received awards and so can speak from real knowledge of his ability.

I recommend him highly for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Harold R. Sleeper

HRS:jb

cc: No. Calif. Chap.



Chicago 6, Illinois 20 January 1959

The Jury of Fellows The Octagon 1735 New York Avenue, N. W. Washington 6, D. C.

Re: William Stephen Allen

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

While my familiarity with the design quality of Steve Allen's work is limited because I have seen only photographs and drawings in his office, I can say that I am impressed by the versatility and caliber of his work. If the actual construction lives up to the drawings and photographs, his design accomplishments are well worthy of Fellowship stature.

I might add that the Institute Board of Directors has been more than pleased with the force and initiative with which he has led the work of the national Public Relations Committee. I use the word "initiative" because he has gone well beyond the routine assignments to the committee and has been of major assistance to the Board in dealing with problems of great sensitivity.

Philip Wil**l,** Jr.

Partner

PWJr:gdc

#### ANDREW T. HASS, F.A.I.A.

Architect

215 Leidesdorff Street, San Francisco 11, California

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January 20, 1959

Jury of Fellows The American Institute of Architects 1741 New York Avenue N.W. Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Directors of the Northern California Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, of which I am a member, have nominated William Stephen Allen for A.I.A. Fellowship.

I have known Mr. Allen for ten years at which time he became a member of the local chapter when I was secretary.

It has been a pleasure to watch his advancement, both in the field of design as well as his activities in civic enterprises and within the profession itself.

Other questioniers regarding Mr. Allen's qualifications for Fellowship have been answered.

Anything else which might be said at this time would all be laudatory. A complete file as to his educational qualifications, architectural achievements and his activities within the profession has been previsouly submitted.

It is with pleasure to approve the nomination of Mr. William Stephen Allen for Fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew T. Hass. F.A. I.A.

ATH: gb

January 20, 1959

Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, 1735 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D.C.

#### Dear Sirs:

Stephen Allen's distinguished list of awards for excellent design in conjunction with Robert Anshen alone would be grounds for his elevation to Fellowship.

His long record of service to the Chapter in various capacities from Committee Member to Chapter President and now in broader fields on a national level serves further to prove his devotion to the Institute.

Stephen Allen's record along with his personal integrity should require no further evidence of his eligibility to Fellowship in the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

A. Yuill-Thornton

ayt/ld

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January 20, 1959

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STRUCTURAL ENGINEER PARTNER:

FACTUAL

DR. ALEXANDER G. TARICS

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

LILYA REID

ASSOCIATES:

A.I.A.

WILLIAM H. EDIE

Gentlemen:

The Northern California Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is placing before you the name of Wm. Stephen Allen for consideration for Fellowship.

I have known Mr. Allen for approximately fifteen years and I have worked with him on several Institute committees; my association with him has been close and I believe that I have first hand personal knowledge of him both as a person and as an architect.

In my opinion he is an architect of the highest professional competence with a broad understanding of the opportunities as well as the obligations of his profession. I have inspected many of the projects designed by the firm of Anshen and Allen which in my opinion give evidence of a design skill, a sensitive handling of color and form, and embody fine solutions to the functional requirements of the owners.

During my association with him in Institute affairs I have found him to be a man of discernment and intellect whose thinking I respect and admire. I deem it a privilege to urge your favorable consideration for the bestowal of Fellowship status on so worthy a candidate.

Respectfully yours,

John Lyon Reid

jlr/cd

cc: Northern California Chapter, A.I.A.

#### GEORGE SIMPSON KOYL 4400 SPRUCE STREET PHILADELPHIA 4, PENNSYLVANIA

January 17, 1959

The Jury of Fellows, A. I. A., The Octagon, 1735 New York Ave., N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am delighted to have the opportunity of endorsing the nomination of the Northern California Chapter, A.I.A., of William Stephen Allen for advancement to Fellowship in The Institute.

Mr. Allen was one of the outstanding students of the Department of Architecture of the University of Pennsylvania at the time of his graduation. Awarded a traveling scholarship on the basis of Desigh, he spent many months in Europe and Asia studying architecture with his present partner, Robert Anshen, who had also received a similar award. It has not been surprising to note in photographs of the executed work of this firm the qualities of design so emphatically indicated in college enriched by the experience of their travels in many countries abroad.

While it is beyond the ability of the writer to attribute proper credit for the distinguished work of this firm to either partner, Mr. Allen is fully entitled to share the many honors which have been awarded to it in the National and Northern California Chapter, A.I.A. Awards programs. It has been a cooperative endeavor. To these high awards of merit of the profession are added those of other organizations and publications upon which the juries usually include the most distinguished members of the A.I.A.

In his service to The Institute, Mr. Allen's record of achievement can be judged on a purely individual basis. For the past eight years he has been either Chairman, Vice Chairman or Member of a "Public Relations Committee" of either his Chater, the California Council, A.I.A., or of The Institute. He is the present Chairman of The Institute committee. He has served as Director, Vice President and President of the Northern California Chapter, A.I.A., as Delegate to the Council, and as a member of the A.I.A. Package Deal Committee.

I sincerely trust that The Jury of Fellows will act favorably upon this richly deserved nomination.

Sincerely yours, George S. Koyl, F.A.I.A.

January 16, 1959.

Jury of Fellows,
The American Institute of Architects,
1735 New York Avenue N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.

FACTUAL

#### Gentlemen:

I understand that the Executive Committee of the Northern California Chapter has nominated William Stephen Allen for fellowship, and I am very happy to have this opportunity to write in behalf of that nomination.

Steve Allen was a student of mine at the University of Pennsylvania some years ago, and a very able one. I have followed his professional career with very great interest, and in my opinion he could very well be awarded a Fellowship on the basis of his architectural design. I have not only seen much of his work published, but I have seen some of it also on site, and it is certainly very superior. I would suspect that the list of awards which have been given to his work together with the photographs he will submit would very well cover this phase of his nomination.

His service to the Institute has been very considerable, and as a member of the Board of Directors I have been in very close touch with his work on the National Public Relations Committee. He has helped steer that committee through some very troubled waters, put our public relations program on a very sound footing, and has been largely responsible for the fine cooperation between our committee members, the staff, and the public relations consultant.

I hope very much the committee will act favorably on this nomination.

Very truly yours

I.Roy Carroll..Ir.

jrc/r



1735 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington 6, D. C.

January 7, 1959

Northern California Chapter, A.I.A.

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Member of the Executive Committee,

Re: <u>William Stephen Allen, Jr</u> ., A.I.A.
To hembers of The Executive Committee, Northern California Chapter, A.I.A.
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