

Machen, Thomas
Baltimore

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Application for Membership

June 26, 1928

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects.

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

Name Thomas Machen

Address 312 N. Charles St. Baltimore Md.
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Mar. 24, 1886, Baltimore

Graduate in architecture Mass. Institute of Technology, 1909
[Give name of institution and year. Diploma or Certificate of graduation (or photostatic copy) must accompany this application.]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture.....
[If required in your case, attach evidence (or photostatic copy).]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts. Passed entrance exams only for Beaux Arts
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate (or photostatic copy).]

If your State has a Registration or License Law and you are not registered, state reasons.....
no law

If practicing architect, firm name Machen & Dixon

Have been in practice 11 years. If draughtsman, employed by.....

Collegiate and office training 7 years collegiate training & European travel
3 1/2 years office experience in N.Y., Washington & Baltimore

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

(1) Thomas Machen
[Signature of Applicant.]

Chapter Member
of the Baltimore

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the Baltimore

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date Nov. 18, 1915. (2) A. S. Steels
[Insert date of election to chapter.] [Signature of the Secretary of the chapter.]

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

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

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

Registration or License Number. (4) Laurens Foster

(Essential if Registered) (5) Biggin Bureau

It is not mandatory that applicants from Registration or License law states be registered or licensed. But the current number of Registration or License must appear here if the applicant is registered or licensed. (6) A. S. Steels

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

(7) _____
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BALTIMORE CHAPTER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

December 17, 1928

Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,
The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Kemper--

I am enclosing herewith applications of Messrs. Bayard
Turnbull, Howard May and Thomas Wachen for membership in The
American Institute of Architects.

These three candidates have the unanimous endorsement of The
Baltimore Chapter of the A. I. A., each member having had an oppor-
tunity to express himself by a letter ballot. No negative votes were
received.

Yours very truly,

(S) Henry S. T. White

HSTW: DHS
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December 18, 1928

Dear Mr. Machen:-

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

The application is complete in every respect except for the Initiation Fee of \$25.00, and the Annual Dues of \$25.00 which, for the new member, are payable in advance.

Heretofore, the Initiation Fee was \$5.00, but was increased to \$25.00, effective January 1, 1928.

By way of explanation it should be stated that all applications for Institute membership are acted upon at the quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee. The next meeting is that of the Executive Committee, scheduled for March, and we trust you will find it possible to complete your application at an early date in order that it may be acted upon at that meeting. Before action by the Directors, the application must be passed upon by the Board of Examiners - which usually meets well in advance of the Executive meeting - hence our request for prompt action on your part.

However, no action can be taken on an application until the Initiation Fee and Annual Dues have been paid.

Sincerely yours,

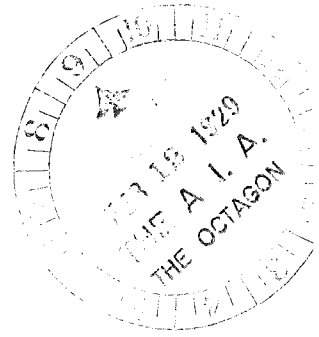
Executive Secretary

Mr. Thomas Machen,
312 North Charles Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

K:VB

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ARCHITECTS
312 N. CHARLES STREET
BALTIMORE · MARYLAND

THOMAS MACHEN
DAVID DIXON



Feb. 9, 1929.

Mr. E. C. Kemper,
Executive Secretary,
The American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon, 1741 New York Ave.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. H. S. T. White, Secretary of the Baltimore Chapter, to the effect that action will be taken by the Institute on my application for membership as soon as my check for the initiation fee and dues is forthcoming.

I sent you a check for \$ 50.00, covering these items, on Jan. 24.

Did you not receive this check, or is Mr. White merely in ignorance of your having done so ?

Very truly yours,

Thomas Machen

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
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February 12, 1929.

Dear Mr. Machen:-

In response to yours of February 9, we beg to advise that your check for \$50.00 was received on January 31, which covered the Initiation Fee and Annual Dues. The check was received after we made acknowledgment to Mr. White of your application.

However, the application is complete in every respect and will be acted upon at the March meeting of the Institute Executive Committee, after which time we shall be pleased to advise you, and the Chapter, concerning the action taken.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Thomas Machen,
312 N. Charles Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

K:VB

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
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April 20, 1929

Dear Mr. Machen:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective March 28, 1929.

You have been assigned to the Baltimore Chapter as an Institute Member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so advised.

An engrossed Certificate of Membership in The American Institute of Architects is enclosed herewith; and also a membership card, which should be further endorsed by the Secretary of your Chapter.

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

Cordially yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Thomas Machen,
312 North Charles Street,
Baltimore, Md.

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Encs.

THOMAS MACHEN
· ARCHITECT ·
508 ST. PAUL STREET
BALTIMORE 2, MARYLAND

November 9, 1965

The American Institute of Architects,
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.,
Washington, D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

In re:
Resignation of
Membership

I do not wish to continue my membership in The American Institute of Architects, and tender my resignation herewith, same to take effect at the end of the present dues-paying year, which I suppose corresponds with the calendar year. I am no longer a member of the Baltimore Chapter, having resigned at the end of its fiscal year, in June.

Yours very truly,

Thomas Machen

Elected 3/28/29
Chap: Baltimore
Age: 1886 (79)
Dues: '65 ok

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November 16, 1965

*m.e. Susp.
Thorson*
TO

Mr. Thomas Machen, A.I.A.
508 St. Paul Street
Baltimore 2, Maryland

Dear Mr. Machen:

We have received your letter of November 9, 1965, wherein you state that you wish to resign your corporate membership in The AIA.

It occurs to us that you are eligible for election as a Member Emeritus of The Institute which, upon election, would permit you to retain all rights and privileges of active corporate membership while being exempted from the payment of further dues to The AIA and your Chapter.

Enclosed is a form requesting this change in status and if you will fill it in and return it to this office, we will be glad to see that it receives the proper attention.

On the other hand, if you still wish to have your resignation acted upon, please advise.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Patsy Weir Golato
Assistant Manager
Membership Procedures

PWG/

cc: Mrs. P. Cummings Mahoney, Exec.-Secretary
Baltimore Chapter, AIA

Dear Phyllis:

Please advise us of Mr. Machen's standing in the Chapter.
Many thanks and best regards to you!

OK

THOMAS MACHEN
·ARCHITECT·
508 ST. PAUL STREET
BALTIMORE 2, MARYLAND

December 15, 1965

Miss Patsy Weir Galato,
Assistant Manager, Membership Procedure,
The American Institute of Architects,
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.,
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Miss Galato:

I received your letter of November 16 about my resignation from the Institute, but have delayed answering it, as I was somewhat undecided as to whether to bring to a head the question of my requesting the Emeritus status to which 45 years of regularly paying dues may have entitled me. However, I have decided to fill out the Application form and enlose one copy herewith. I am sending the other copy which you sent me to Mrs. F. Cummings Mahoney, Executive Secretary of the Baltimore Chapter.

If the Board of Directors have given my case any thought at all, they may have been somewhat surprised at my lack of enthusiasm for the Emeritus status in submitting my resignation.

I must say that I have found hard, in these latest years of extreme architectural prosperity and iconoclasm against the old standards, to maintain my respect for the Institute.

A recent example has been the current award of merit to Highfield House, the latest Baltimore work of the extremely prosperous, be-medaled, honored and praised Mr. Ries van der Rohe. It is the placing of this building, which seems to me quite unimaginative and ugly of itself, in such a position in an established neighborhood, which is to me an insult to Baltimore.

If I am made Emeritus, I shall be glad if I do not receive such a volume of A. I. A. literature, which seems to me too large.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Machen

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP EMERITUS

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

Strike out the inappropriate reason, a, b, or c, as the case may be.

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

a. I am more than ⁷⁹~~70~~ years of age.

~~b. I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.~~

~~c. I am unable to engage in the practice of architecture.~~

Write in name of chapter.

45 I have been in good standing in The Institute and the Baltimore chapter for 45 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Respectfully,

Date Dec. 15, 1965

Thomas Macken
Signature

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 of a, b, or c.

It is not my intention to practice Architecture for the few years of life remaining to me, but I do intend, for the present, to maintain my present office and my license to practice, whether you give me the Emeritus status to which I suppose I am entitled, or not. I make no absolute promise not to practice.

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January 7, 1966

Mr. Thomas Machen, A.I.A.
508 St. Paul Street
Baltimore 2, Maryland

Dear Mr. Machen:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I have authorized your election as a Member Emeritus of The Institute as of January 3, 1966.

The Treasurer's Office of The Institute and your component organizations are being directed to adjust the records accordingly.

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors, I wish to take this opportunity to express my great appreciation for your support, throughout your many years of membership, of the work and projects undertaken by The Institute and its components for the cause of better architecture.

We hope that your interest in The Institute and Chapter will continue even though you have now been relieved of all dues payments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Oswald H. Thorson, FAIA
Secretary

OHT/g

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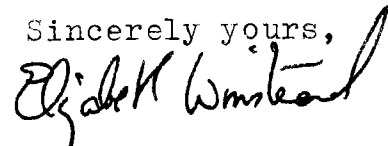
January 22, 1976

The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

ME
It is with regret that Mrs. Thomas Machen has asked me to inform you that Mr. Machen died on July 1st. She would greatly appreciate your removing his name from your mailing list.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary to
Mrs. Thomas Machen

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