

Application for Membership—A. I. A.

Initiation Fee	5.00
Dues	20.00
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Exhibits	
On Priv. Com. of	

No. F-84 Chapter: Washington, D.C.

Name: Kastner, Alfred

Initiation Fee: Paid 5/25/36

Annual Dues: Paid 5/25/36

~~Exhibits~~ Certificate, ~~Unanimous Endorsement~~ Cert. received.

Acknowledgment by Secretary—~~President~~ O.K.

Endorsements: O.K.

Board of Examiners: 10/16/36

Board of Directors or Executive Committee By Secretary

The Octagon: Procedure 9/22/36

Privileged: No

Elected: 10/16/36

Exhibits Returned: _____

Remarks: Approved by Chapter Executive

Committee see letter 11/9/36

Applicant notified 11/20/36.

Application for Membership

Institute of Architects.

American Institute of Architects, and certify that the following state-

Philadelphia, Pa.

1900 [City.] Suhl, [State.] Germany

Diploma or Certificate of graduation (or photostatic copy) must accompany this application.]

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

val Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first

quired in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate (or photostatic copy).]

law and you are not registered, state reasons.

Government, Resettlement Administration, Construction-
tion, (Principal architect)

Have been in practice.....years. If draughtsman, employed by.....
Offices : Bertram G. Goodhue, Associates,
Collegiate and office training Leipzig & Hamburg. J.G.Rogers, Joseph Urban, Hood & Fouilhoux.

Previous application for membership, if any.....

[Date of Application]

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the circular of advice relative to "Principles of Professional Practice," 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) Alfred Kastner

[Signature of Applicant.]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the.....
[For use when the applicant is an Associate.]

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date..... (2) _____
[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) E. P. Schreier - Sec.
[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) _____
(Essential if Registered)

Edmund R. Purves E. Purves ✓

Frederick Bigger F. Bigger ✓

J. Andre Fouilhoux J. Andre Fouilhoux ✓

[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 applicant proposed, and in which there were no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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.

(7) Ohio 1046 (by Exam.)

NUMBER

Pennsylvania 1496 (do.)

Registration Fee 5.00 July 26
 Date 20 July 26
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 Exhibits _____
 On Priv. Com. of _____

Application for Membership

May 12, 1936

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 Alfred Kastner

Address M & Bristol St. Philadelphia, Pa.

Place and date of birth August, 9, 1900 [City.] Suhl, [State.] Germany

Graduate in architecture _____
 [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 _____
 [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 _____

If practicing architect, firm name U.S. Government, Resettlement Administration, Construction-Division, (Principal architect)

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

Collegiate and office training Leipzig & Hamburg Offices : Bertram G. Goodhue, Associates, J.G. Rogers, Joseph Urban, Hood & Fouilhoux.

Previous application for membership, if any _____
 [Date of Application]

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

Copy to the Director,
Middle Atlantic Division
Secretary,
Washington, D. C. Chapter

June 11, 1936

Dear Mr. Kastner:

On behalf of The Secretary, we wish to acknowledge your application for membership in The American Institute of Architects, with payment of the initiation fee and first year's dues in advance, subject to election.

Due to the recent revision of The By-laws of The Institute, the procedure for electing new members thereunder has not been set up, as yet.

Therefore, it may be possible that we shall need some additional data to accompany your application. We shall let you know about this at the first opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

K/g

Mr. Alfred Kastner, Architect,
Resettlement Administration,
Construction Division,
Washington, D. C.

COPY TO

FILES

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER

RESETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO

American Institute of Architects
Att.: Mr. White
The Octagon House
18th and New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Attached please find a copy of my license
and cards for Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Very truly yours,


Alfred Kastner

October 9, 1936

Alfred Kastner
Signature of Registrant

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1150-4-36 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ARCHITECTS

This to certify that **169**
Alfred Kastner, Philadelphia,

has been granted renewal of registration as

REGISTERED ARCHITECT

for the year **JUNE 1936 to JUNE 1937** according to Act Approved July 12, 1919 as amended April 24, 1933.

Ex-1496

Registration No.

[Signature]
Secretary

[Signature]
Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing



ANNUAL RENEWAL

RENEWAL NUMBER **375**

FOR YEAR **1936**

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ARCHITECTS
COLUMBUS

This is to Certify

That **Alfred Kastner** Certificate No. **1046**

of **Philadelphia, Pa.**, has met the requirements of the law, is duly registered, and is entitled to practice Architecture and to use the title

ARCHITECT

in the State of Ohio, until this certificate expires, on **DECEMBER 31, 1936**

Date **12-14-35**

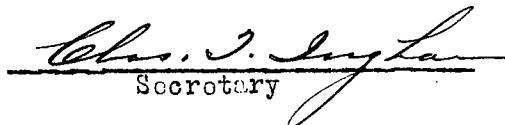
[Signature]
Secretary

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

ELECTION BY THE SECRETARY

Under authority to elect members, as vested in me by the Board of Directors of the Institute, by resolution of the Executive Committee adopted at its meeting on December 10-13, 1934; and in accord with the following certifications by the Chairman of the Board of Examiners and by the Executive Secretary, I hereby declare -

Alfred Kastner elected a member of The American Institute of Architects and assigned to the Washington, D. C. Chapter as a member of the Institute in good standing therein, effective October 16, 1936.


Secretary

CERTIFICATIONS TO THE SECRETARY

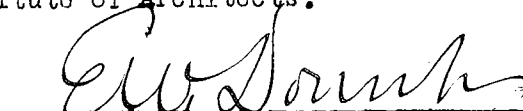
Kastner, Alfred Washington, D. C. October 16, 1936.
(Name) (Chapter) (Date)

To the Secretary of The Institute:

As Chairman of the Board of Examiners I hereby certify, that -

- (1) The application of the above-named applicant has been passed favorably by the Board of Examiners:
- (2) The requirements have been met as to endorsements, certification by chapter officers, submission of exhibits or evidence of graduation or other educational training;
- (3) The application is otherwise complete.

On behalf of the Board of Examiners, I recommend the election of the applicant to membership in The American Institute of Architects.


Chairman, Board of Examiners

As Executive Secretary, I hereby certify that the applicant for Institute Membership named above has complied with the procedure approved by The Secretary in his letter of September 22, 1936, to the Executive Secretary.


Executive Secretary

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

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April 13, 1940.

Dear Mr. Ingham:

Herewith is original letter of April 10, from Mr. Wm. J. J. Chase of Atlanta, Georgia, with an office in Albany, Georgia.

Mr. Chase is a former member of The Institute.

He makes inquiry concerning Mr. Alfred Kastner, Institute member of the Washington, D.C. Chapter, and he makes serious charges against Mr. Kastner.

Under the circumstances, my inclination is to file the letter without a response, but inasmuch as it is a communication to The Institute, we think we should have your instructions.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Charles T. Ingham, Secretary,
The American Institute of Architects,
1211 Empire Building,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Enc.

THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1940 APR 12 AM 9:38

WASHINGTON, D. C.

WM. J. J. CHASE

ARCHITECT

AMERICAN SAVINGS BANK BUILDING

ATLANTA, GA.

308 Exchange Bank Bldg.

ADDRESS REPLY TO 205 CALLE ANA Y 911 DC
ALBANY, GA.

April 10, 1940

Mr. E. C. Kemper
Ex. Secretary of American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

It has been sometime since we have "bumped into" one another, and, as usual, on this occasion I am asking a favor.

I would like to have some information as to who and what Mr. Alfred Kastner, Architect, of Washington, D. C., is.

After the hurrican hit Albany, Georgia, in February, the City thought it a good idea - and apparently it was a good idea - to employ an Architect who would act as a coordinating agent for the purpose of harmonizing the designs of the various Architects who might have work in the re-building of Albany. This particular Architect was not to handle any of the new work as Architect. The Architects who were here met with a Citizens Committee, Mr. Hal Henz proposed Mr. Toombs and I suggested Mr. Francis Smith, both of Atlanta, as being available and competent. However, Mr. Francis Shurling, Director of Emergency Relief Council out of Washington, suggested a Mr. Kastner of Washington, as being an outstanding Architect, Town Planning expert, etc., etc. The City was prevailed upon to employ Mr. Kastner. No sooner had he landed than he sold the city officials on the idea of his designing the "store fronts", etc., for such owners who were trying to put their property back in rentable shape without the services of Architects. He employed two young draftsmen just out of college and went to it.

The City had some proposed work which was to be submitted to W. P. A. Kastner offered to prepare sketches for this work "in order to expedite an application to W. P. A." - when everyone knows that W. P. A. requires that complete working drawings and specifications accompany all applications.

Kastner has taken quite a few jobs for owners who had already started Architects working on preliminary sketches, and the owners, of course, simply walked out on the Architects. Now he has about sold the City on the idea that, if they employ him as Architect on the proposed municipal work, about \$150,000.00 worth, he will through his "influence" in Washington, secure approval of their projects by W.P.A. and, will refund from his commission as Architect, the money which the City has paid him as coordinator.

This is such a flagrant case of unprofessional conduct - and one which I

2. Mr. Chase to Mr. Kemper.

cannot conceive of the W.P.A. officials approving - that I have just about come to the conclusion that Kastner is far from what he was supposed to be.

Kastner has told some of the City officials that he is a member and an officer of the American Institute of Architects. From what little information we have on the man, it seems that he came to America from Germany nine years ago as an expert cabinet maker, married some money and branched out into Architecture; worked with the Government a while with the department of Agriculture and later opened an office in Washington with a Russian as partner.

Naturally, the Architects here are rather up in arms over such an instance and I am particularly anxious to secure all possible information on the man. Anything you may be able to give me will be greatly appreciated and, of course, your name or that of the Institute would not be mentioned. Many thanks.

Cordially yours,



WM. J. J. CHASE

WJJC/sdj

P.S. In as much as I am in Albany a great deal of my time, I'd appreciate your writing ^{here} and have a copy sent to the Atlanta office. Thanks

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1741 New York Avenue, N. W.

Washington, D. C.

THE OCTAGON

Inter-Office Communication

April 19, 1940.

THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1940 APR 20 AM 11:37
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Kemper:

Herewith is returned the original letter of Mr. Wm. J. J. Chase to you, dated April 10, in which he makes inquiry concerning Mr. Alfred Kastner, Institute member of the Washington, D. C. Chapter.

Mr. Chase asks for information regarding Mr. Kastner. My suggestion is that you give him such information regarding his Institute and Chapter connections as you may have available from the records and which you think would be pertinent in the circumstances.

Mr. Chase, having formerly been a member of The Institute, is no doubt familiar with the procedure relating to charges of unprofessional conduct. I would disregard that portion of the letter relating to Mr. Kastner's practice in Georgia and give Mr. Chase what he asks for, namely, "some information as to who and what Mr. Alfred Kastner, Architect, of Washington, D. C., is."

Sincerely yours,

Chas. J. Snyler
Secretary.

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,
The American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

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

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COPY

Handwritten signature

April 24, 1940.

Dear Mr. Chase:

This is the first opportunity to respond to your letter of April 10. We are hard pressed here due to pending board meetings and a Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, in May.

Mr. Alfred Kastner, to whom you refer, is in good standing in The Institute and the Washington, D.C. Chapter so far as our records are concerned.

With reference to his work and practice, you might address a letter to the President of the Washington, D. C. Chapter -

Mr. E. Philip Schreier
917 Fifteenth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

By direction of The Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Wm. J. J. Chase, Architect,
308 Exchange Bank Building,
Albany, Georgia.

cc: Mr. Chase in Atlanta

ECK:LF

*Members
Kastner, Alfred*

Suspense

October 9, 1957.

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Mrs. Alfred Kastner
21 West Grove Drive
Belle Haven, Alexandria
Virginia

Dear Mrs. Kastner:

In response to your telephone call of last week I have checked Mr. Kastner's membership record and find the following information -

Mr. Kastner's membership in the AIA was terminated by the Institute in 1944 for non-payment of dues. This automatically terminated his membership in our Chapter also. At the time of his termination he also owed the Chapter dues for 3 years - 1942, 1943 and 1944, in the amount of \$8.00 for each year or a total of \$24.00.

We are glad to know that Mr. Kastner is applying for admission and we are enclosing an application for that purpose. Upon receipt of the properly executed form, and a check for \$24.00 to the Chapter, we will be happy to start the processing of the application.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy P. MacHatton
Executive Secretary

See file

*Members.
Kastner, Alfred*

November 14, 1957

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Mr. Alfred Kastner
21 West Grove Drive
Belle Haven
Alexandria, Virginia

Dear Mr. Kastner:

As requested by your office yesterday, I have made a photostat copy of the application for membership in The Institute as filed by you in 1936.

Unfortunately, this may not be of much use to you inasmuch as it was made out on an old form in use prior to the latter part of 1936 and thereafter.

We shall look forward to the receipt of your application for readmission in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Florence H. Gervais
Secretary of Membership and Records

Enclosure

Members
Kastner, Alfred
KASTNER & ASSOCIATES, ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS, 1700 K STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON 6, D.C.

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September 17, 1958

Mr. Edmund L. Wilson, Secretary
American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Thank you for your communication dated
September 12, 1958.

Sincerely yours,

Alfred Kastner
Alfred Kastner

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