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J. R. Reed

Application for Membership

January 10, 1921

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

SIR:

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Robert F. Beresford

Address The Ambassador, 16th and 5th Sts Washington D.C.
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Anderson, Pa. June 2, 1879.

Graduate in architecture _____
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture _____
[If required in your case, attach evidence.]

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.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter _____

If practicing architect, firm name _____

Have been in practice _____ years

If draughtsman, employed by A. P. Clark Jr. 2 years
[State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training Princeton 2 years Academic Course

Office training since Sept. 1900.

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.

Robert F. Beresford
[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 _____
[Insert date of election to chapter.]

Secretary.

Chapter, A. I. A.

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

- (1) A. P. Clark Jr.
- (2) R. Bruce Wilkinson
- (3) L. P. Wheel, Jr.

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless 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. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 10, 1921.

My dear Sir:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective March 10, 1921.

You have been assigned to the Washington, D. C. Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter so notified.

The enclosed statement for dues should receive early attention, as the engrossed Certificate of Membership is not sent until the dues for the first year have been paid. No charge has been made for the first quarter of the current year.

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.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Robert F. Beresford,
16th and S Streets, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

K-P.

Enclosure.

PS: Your Exhibits are being returned under separate cover.

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

File / Receipt *Copy*

March 31, 1927.

Mr. Fleming Newbold,
The Evening Star,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Newbold;

In order to have clearly in mind the manner in which I may be of service in the Evening Star Better Homes movement, I am submitting for your approval the following memorandum.

I have been asked to serve on a committee of four men, which shall select the sites and realtor-builders for the five projects. These men have been asked to serve as individuals and not as representatives of their organizations. The Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is not asked to sanction my connection with this movement.

In addition to serving on the committee for the selection of sites, the writer has been asked to act as supervising architect for the purpose of passing upon the plans submitted by the builders and inspecting the five projects to see that the work is being carried out in a satisfactory manner. This service is to be rendered gratis.

I would be glad to be corrected in any of the above details in case I am in error.

Very truly yours,

R. J. Newbold

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File
Wm. F. Beresford

June 19, 1929.

Dear Mr. Beresford:

The Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors have been approved and we are writing the various letters arising therefrom.

At the direction of the Secretary I write to advise that your letter of April 18th with regard to the report of the Committee on the National Capital was most carefully considered.

The Board took action as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to advise Mr. Beresford that the Board has received and considered his letter. It sees no criticism of the architect in the report of the Committee on the National Capital, but a possible criticism of the Washington zoning regulations.

The facts pertaining to height limits will be investigated, and any necessary corrections will be made in the report when it is printed in the Proceedings.

As you know, the report of the Committee on the National Capital, as distributed at the Convention, bore a stamp notation as follows: "Subject to Correction - See Proceedings of the Convention for Final Report as adopted".

In accord with action of the Board the Chairman of the Committee on the National Capital, Mr. Passlee, was requested to make any corrections that might be necessary with regard to height limits. He has made these corrections and the report will appear in that form in the Proceedings.

By direction of the Secretary,
Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Robert F. Beresford,
1115 Connecticut Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 14, 1930.

Dear Mr. Beresford:

In accordance with your request of this morning, we are pleased to send herewith several forms of application for Institute Membership, together with a like number of circulars on the Program and Objects of the Institute, which you may find of help in obtaining new members.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Robert F. Beresford,
1115 Connecticut Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Suspense

January 14, 1952

Dear Mr. Beresford:

In accordance with your telephone request of today we are glad to send, herewith, a form to be filled in, signed, and returned for Membership Emeritus for which it appears you are eligible.

This type of membership permits the member to retain all the rights and privileges of active, corporate membership, while exempting him from the payment of further dues to The Institute and the Chapter to which he is assigned.

Upon receipt of your application we shall be pleased to put it forward promptly.

Sincerely yours,



J. W. Renkin
Administrative Secretary

Mr. Robert F. Beresford, A.I.A.
810 - 18th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

JWR/fhg
Enclosure

Copy to the Secretary,
Washington-Metropolitan Chapter, A.I.A.

Please let us know if Mr. Beresford is in good standing in the Chapter.

JWR

N° APR

Dated 19 .

Received 19 .

Granted 19 .

N° M

(Do not fill in above dates)



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

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP EMERITUS

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

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

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

- a. I am more than 70 years of age.
- b. ~~I am unable to engage in any gainful vocation.~~

Write in
name of
chapter.

³⁰ I have been in good standing in The Institute and the *Washington, D.C.* chapter
for ~~15~~ successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Respectfully,

Date *January 15* 1952.

Robert F. Bensford
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 neither of requirements a or b.



WASHINGTON-METROPOLITAN CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1612 "I" STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

January 18, 1952

Mr. J. W. Rankin, Administrative Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Replying to your inquiry regarding Mr.
Beresford. He is not only a member in good standing
but a highly respected member of this Chapter.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy P. MacHatton
Dorothy P. MacHatton
Executive Secretary.

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Beresford

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

NOTICE OF ELECTION—MEMBER EMERITUS

TO **Mr. Robert F. Beresford, A.I.A.**
810 - 18th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

It is my privilege to advise you that The Board of Directors has conferred upon you the title

MEMBER EMERITUS

of The American Institute of Architects and of its component organizations of which you are a member, exempting you from the payment of annual dues to The Institute and such organizations, effective **December 31, 1951.**

Hur

Date **February 18** 19 **52.**

Carroll
Secretary

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April 18, 1967

Mrs. Joan T. W. Milstead, Exec.-Secty.
Washington-Metropolitan Chapter, AIA
725 Dupont Circle Bldg.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Re: Death of Mr. Robert F. Beresford, AIA,
on December 19, 1966.

Dear Mrs. Milstead:

We were very sorry to learn of the death of the member indicated above.

For the Institute's Baldwin Memorial Archive records, it would be appreciated if you would have the enclosed forms filled in. Two copies should be returned to the Institute and the third copy should be maintained in the Chapter's files.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Scheick, F.A.I.A.
Executive Director

Star 12/21/66
**R. F. Beresford,
Was Architect for
Notable Buildings**

Robert F. Beresford, 87, a Washington architect who worked on the Mayflower Hotel and the Tower Building here, died Monday in a Ransomville, N.Y. hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Beresford retired from his Washington architectural practice five years ago, after more than 58 years in this area.

He was born in Audenreid, Pa., and attended Princeton University from 1898 to 1900.

He worked in the old supervisory architect's office in the Treasury Building from 1903 to 1905. From 1905 to 1909, Mr. Beresford worked in the old office of the superintendent of the Capitol.

Beginning in 1915, he had his own office in Washington. He helped to design the Mayflower Hotel in 1925, and in 1928 he worked on plans for the Tower Building at 1401 K St. NW.

Mr. Beresford served on the D.C. Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects from 1928 to 1948. In 1926-27 he was president of the D.C. Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

Mr. Beresford was the architect for many homes in the Virginia suburbs around Washington. He was a long-time member of the Washington Board of Trade.

He leaves a sister, Mrs. Floyd M. Wells of Buffalo, N.Y.

Private services were to be today in Niagara Falls, with burial in Mt. Albion, N.Y.