

Dated October 2, 1941
Received December 20 1941
Granted February 7, 1942.

MEMBERSHIP NO 1032



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

*In due order
December 20, 1941
H. J. Gervais*

A Name of applicant..... Van Tuyl Hart Bien..... Chapter. BALTIMORE.....
B Address of applicant..... Cedar Lane at Burdette Road. - Bethesda, Maryland....
C Applicant proposed by..... Frederic A. Fletcher...and..... John J. Zink.....
D Application received with check for \$ 10.00..... on..... December 20 19 41
E Application returned for correction..... 19 ..
F Application in due order on..... December 20 19 41
Record of registration, Form S39, Sent Md. - Jan. 5... 19 42 Received. January 7 19 42
D.C. - Jan. 5, 1942 " January 8, 1942
G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
(a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on..... 19..., on 19 ..
(b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on..... 19..., on 19 ..
H Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on..... January 14 1942 ..
I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission
~~in due order on...~~ received on..... November 14 1941 ..
J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 ..
K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... February 3 1942 ..
L The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... February 3 1942 ..
M Applicant was admitted on..... February 7 19 42.
N Notice ~~and certificate~~ to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter
to proposers on..... February 7 19 42.
O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$.....
returned to applicant on..... 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

- Van Tuyl Hart Bien -

to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the BALTIMORE Chapter.

Date February 7 1942.

(a)

Chas. J. Ing Lam
Secretary

THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1941 DEC 20 AM 10:11

WASHINGTON, D. C.



APPLICATION NO AP 1032

ORIGINAL

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

File the duplicate, on gray 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 V.T.H. Bien (Van Tuyl Hart Bien)

2. State whether a
natural or a nat-
uralized citizen.

2. I am a natural citizen of the United States

3. My legal residence is in the City of Bethesda

County of Montgomery State of Maryland

4. State whether
residence or office
address.

4. My address in The Institute records will be

Street Cedar Lane at Burdette Road

City Bethesda, State Maryland

5. State whether
as a practicing
architect, a teach-
er, a public offi-
cial, etc.

5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as practicing architect

6. I desire to be a member of the Baltimore Chapter.

7. I declare that I have read the by-laws, the rules and regulations, and the Standards of Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and the by-laws and rules and regulations of the chapter of which I desire to become a member, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities and obligations thereunder of a member of The Institute, and I do hereby expressly agree and declare that, if admitted to membership, I will to the best of my ability abide by and comply with such by-laws, rules and regulations, and will abide by and uphold said Standards of Practice and conduct my practice of the profession accordingly. I am financially able to undertake all pecuniary obligations of a member to The Institute and to the chapter.

8. Receipt re-
quired.

8. I filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the chapter above named and attach his receipt therefor. 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 you do not admit me to membership, all of said amount will be returned to me, except five dollars which you will retain as an examination fee.

Date Oct 2 1941.

V.T.H. Bien (Van Tuyl Hart Bien)
Applicant sign full name in ink

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth Feb. 15, 1887 Place of birth Washington, D.C.

11. I am registered or licensed to practice architecture in the following named states:

(State or States) By Examination Maryland 11/5 (State or States) By Exemption

11/5 District of Columbia (by reciprocity with Md.)

(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:

High School:- McKinley Manual Training , Washington D.C.

(Now Technidal High)

College:- Mass. Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.

* * * * *

Traveled in Canada and U.S.A.

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:

Until about 1927 as a builder and general contractor as principle.

1928 to date as a practicing architect as principle.

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 have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith. (State names of firms or corporations and of schools or colleges)

All my practice has been in Maryland and the District of Columbia.

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

15. Member of Institute from _____ to _____
16. Junior of Institute from _____ to _____
17. Associate of Baltimore Chapter from 1939 to date
18. Junior Associate of Chapter from _____ to _____
19. Member of State Association in Maryland from 1937 to date (charter member)
Also organized and been member of Washington-Metropolitan Section of the Maryland Society of Architects, from 1937 to date.

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 him and 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 7 years.

Signed

Proposer

I have known the applicant for 5 years.

Signed

Proposer



THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1942 JAN -7 AM 9:23
WASHINGTON, D. C.

AP No 1032

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Van Tuyl Hart Bien - Bethesda, Md.
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY, Maryland

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Calvert Bldg., Baltimore, Md.

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 January 5 19 42

Chas. J. Ingraham
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? Yes or by exemption?
3. What was the scope of the examination? "Senior", Class B examination as defined by Maryland Law, requiring 10 years practice as principal for admission thereto.
4. What was the period of the examination? _____ days. Written examination _____ hours; Oral examination 3 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 _____ 19 ____ Registration No. 100-B Is it current? Yes
by Exemption 4/18/36
by Examination 2/1/39

James E. Edmunds Jr.
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date Jan 6 19 42

Maryland Board of Examiners and Registration
of Architects (Name of Board)



THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1942 JAN -8 AM 9:47
WASHINGTON, D. C.

AP No 1032

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Van Tuyl Hart Bien - Bethesda, Md.
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY, District of Columbia

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
810 Eighteenth St., N.W.
Address Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The above named applicant for membership in The American Institute of Architects is an architect practicing in your state.

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Date January 5 19 42

Chas. J. Ingham
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Reciprocal transfer from
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? -- or by exemption? -- Maryland
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 June 25, 1940. Registration No. 381. Is it current? Yes.

R. J. Bensford
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date January 7 19 42

District of Columbia Board of Examiners
and Registrars of (Name of Board)
Architects

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

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Office of The Secretary

NOTICE OF ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP

February 7, 1942

TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Mr. Bien:

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 Baltimore Chapter, effective February 7, 1942. 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.

Sincerely,

Very truly yours,
Chas. J. Ingraham
Secretary

Mr. Van Tuyl H. Bien, A.I.A.
Cedar Lane at Burdette Road
Bethesda, Maryland

CTL/fs

Copies to proposers: Mr. Frederic J. Fletcher

COPY TO

FILES

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER

V. T. H. ^{THE AMERICAN}
~~INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS~~ A. I. A. Architect.
GREENTREE ROAD NEAR BURDETTE STREET WASHINGTON - MD. - WASHINGTON - 14 - D. C.
1947 MAR -3 AM 9:15
WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 27, 1947

Secretary, American
Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue NW
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper;

In view of the pending re-organization of the Washington Chapter to take in our Maryland group, I desire to transfer my assignment from Baltimore to Washington. I would like, however, to retain my membership on an unassigned basis in the Baltimore Chapter as I desire to maintain my contacts there.

I hope this can be done on the basis of this letter as I would like to participate in the formation of the new Maryland group.

Very sincerely yours,


V. T. H. BIEN

VTHB:jc



THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1947 MAR 17 AM 11:21

WASHINGTON, D. C.

T. WORTH JAMISON, Jr., President
8 E. Mulberry Street - 2

HENRY P. HOPKINS, Vice-President
10 E. Mulberry Street - 2

BALTIMORE CHAPTER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

PAUL L. GAUDREAU, Secretary
527 North Charles Street - 1

HOWARD G. HALL, Treasurer
409 Calvert Building - 2

March 14, 1947

Mr. J. W. Rankin, Executive Assistant
American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.,
Washington -6- D.C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

In reply to your letter of March 3, we
wish to advise that Mr. V. T. H. Bien is a member in
good standing in the Baltimore Chapter.

In the event Mr. Bien is transferred
to the Washington Chapter, we shall be pleased to re-
tain him on the Baltimore Chapter rolls as an un-
assigned member, as he has requested in his letter to you.

Sincerely yours,

Paul L. Gaudreau
Paul L. Gaudreau - Secretary

plg/gk

Transfer OK

*So done
for Bien
in letter
to him*



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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

May 23, 1955

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Effective Date - April 2, 1955

TO: Transferred Member:

Mr. V. T. H. Bien, A.I.A.
6745 Green Tree Road
Bethesda, Maryland

Secretary of Chapter
To Which Member is
Transferred

Mr. Benjamin P. Elliott, Secretary
Potomac Valley Chapter, A.I.A.
855 Pershing Drive
Silver Spring, Maryland

Secretary of Chapter
From Which Member
Is Transferred

Mr. Frank J. Duane, Secretary
Washington-Metropolitan Chapter, A.I.A.
1612 Eye Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

In accordance with Chapter II, Article 1, Section 7 of the By-laws
of The Institute this will advise that the above-named corporate
member has been transferred as indicated, and as a Charter Member.

Sincerely yours,

George Bain Cummings
SECRETARY

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Members.
Bien, V.T.H.

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V. T. H. BIEN - A. I. A. ARCHITECT

6745 GREENTREE ROAD - BETHESDA - MD. - WASHINGTON - 14 - D. C.

August 24, 1960

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

Gentlemen:

I am sorry to inform you that Mr. V. T. H.

Bien died of a heart attack on Friday, August 19th.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy J. Butler
Secretary

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1942

BALDWIN MEMORIAL ARCHIVE
 of American Architects

NO. _____

Name: V. T. (Va n Tuyl) H. Bien of (address) 6745 Greentree Road, Bethesda 14, Md.

Born: February 15, 1887 at Died: August 19, 1960 at his home

Parents: Morris Bien and Lilla Viola Ha rt Bien

Married: ~~MARY VIOLET HA RT BIE~~ Bertha V. Conn of Middletown, Conn on Nov. 27, 1915

Children: Bettina Bien
 Phyllida (Mrs. Landon Walker) Jan (Mrs. Herbert Conn)

Education: Mercersburg Academy (1906)
 Mass. Inst. Tech. 1910 Degree: B. S. in Naval Architecture

Training; and practice as Principal: (Firm Names, Places, Dates, Specialization)

Fore River Ship Building Co 1910 to 1914; 1915 to 1930 Contractor for residential constr.
 1930 to time of his death, Architect (firm name V. T. H. Bien) practicing from an office
 built as part of his residence.

Professional Memberships and Service: (Institute and Chapter Activities; Teaching) 1936. Charter member Mary-
 land Society of Architects. 1936. Organized Washington-Metropolitan Section of Md.
 Society Archts. Served two years as president. 1941 Chairman committee to bring about
 unification of Maryland Society with A. I. A. This accomplished in 1943. 1942. Cor-
 porate member A.I.A. (Baltimore Chapter) 1945 Joined with others in project, which
 was successfully accomplished, to be made ~~Wash Met~~ Maryland Div. Wash-Met Chapt. Helped
 Other Affiliations: (Religious, Fraternal, Political, Social) Takoma Park Hist. Soc.; Montgomery Cty Hist.
 Soc.; Steamboat Hist. Soc.; Montgomery Cty Workshop; Bradley Blvd. Cit. Assoc.;

Public Service: (Civil and Military; Community, State, National) President Takoma Pk. Hist. Soc. ;
 Member Advisory Planning Committee of Takoma Park.

Published Material: (Articles and Addresses; Executed Work; Biographical Data) Prepared original draft of
 Light Frame House Construction for for Federal Bur of Vocational Education. Con-
 tributed numerous articles on construction to Architectural Record, House Beautiful
 and Country Home.

in the proseedure of forming the Potomac Valley Chapter of the Wash-Met. Chapt.
~~Was president of the~~

(OVER)

General Background: (Personal Characteristics and Accomplishments; Interests, Digressions, Travels, Friendships, Side-lights, Honors, and Awards.)

A very shy person, yet absolutely untiring in his public activities and organizational efforts. He would go to meetings with a firm purpose, usually frightened to the point of terror, yet yet he would rise with courage and make his convincing speech. Loved the water and had a boat, on which he used to spend weekends, almost to the time of his death.

Numerous residences in Maryland.

Principal Commissions: (Classified, with locations and Reference Data) (Above)

Compiled by: Edwin Bateman Morris, F.A.I.A.

Date: 9 / 18 / 1960

Acknowledgements: Assistance from Dorothy Butler, Mr. Bien's Secretary.

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THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Clipped from Washington STAR, Aug. 21, 1960

Elected 1942

V. T. H. Bien, 73, Dies; Designed Area Homes

V. T. H. Bien, 73, prominent local architect, died Friday in Suburban Hospital after suffering a heart attack.

Mr. Bien, a native of the District, lived at 6745 Greentree road, Bethesda, Md. He was the son of the late Morris and Lilla Bien, both early residents of Takoma Park, Md.

Mr. Bien, who moved to Takoma Park in his childhood, spent the first 20 years of his career as a general contractor, but since 1935 he engaged exclusively in architecture, designing some of the finest homes in the Kenwood area of Bethesda.

A graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mr. Bien was active in the organization of several local professional associations for architects.



V. T. H. BIEN

Institute Official

He organized the Washington Metropolitan section of the Maryland Society of Architects, serving two years as the organization's president and later as a member of the board of directors. He participated in the organization of the Maryland division, Washington Metropolitan section, of the Maryland Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. He served successively as the group's secretary, vice president and president as well as director of the parent District Chapter of the AIA.

Mr. Bien served on the organization committee of the Potomac Valley Chapter of the AIA, later becoming a member of the board of directors and serving on the group's executive committee.

He was a member of the American Institute of Architects for 18 years. Mr. Bien was also a charter member of the Maryland Society of Ar-

chitects, serving as a member of the board of directors and vice president before the organization merged with the AIA.

Engaged in Project

At the time of his death, Mr. Bien was engaged in developing real estate on Greentree road in Bethesda named after his own home, Boxford Way.

In recent years Mr. Bien had been active in civic affairs. He was president of the Takoma Park Historical Society and was appointed by the city's Mayor, George Miller, to the Advisory Planning Commission of Takoma Park.

He leaves his wife, Bertha, of the home address; three daughters, Miss Bettina Bien, of Irvington-on-Hudson, N. Y., Mrs. Landon Walker of Hickory, N. C., and Mrs. Herbert Conn of Custer, S. Dak., and a sister, Corabel, also of the home address.

Funeral services will be private.