

Dated October 14, 1949
Received October 18, 1949
Granted December 15, 1949

MEMBERSHIP NO 7208



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant.....William Francis Bigoney, Jr.....Chapter.....Florida South..
- B Address of applicant.....801 S. W. Ninth Terrace, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.....
- C Applicant proposed by.....Robert M. Little..... and.....William G. Crawford..
- D Application received with check for \$ 10.00 on..... October 18, 19 49.
- E Application returned for correction (Wrote Brooklyn Chapter re: past dues) Oct. 24 19 49.
- F Application in due order on Owes no past dues. November 29, 19 49
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent (Fla.) Oct. 21, 19 49. Received. October 25, 1949.
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on..... November 24, 1949, on October 24, 19 49.
 - (b) Form S12, 30-day extension ending on..... 19....., on 19 .
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, proposers, and chapter on..... October 24, 1949 .
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission
~~on that application be denied~~ received on..... November 29, 19 49
- J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... December 8, 19 49.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... December 8, 19 49.
- M Applicant was admitted on..... December 15, 19 49.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter
to proposers on..... December 15, 19 49
- 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

William Francis Bigoney, Jr.

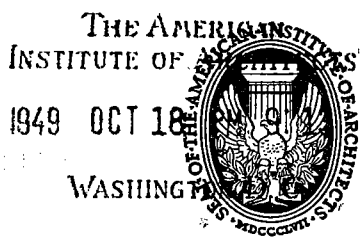
to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the Florida South Chapter.

Date December 15, 19 49

Secretary

(a)

In due order
November 29, 1949
J. J. Serwais



INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.
Mail this original and check for \$10.00 to The Secretary, The American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.
File the duplicate, on yellow paper, with the secretary of the local Chapter of The Institute.

The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

I, the undersigned, do hereby apply for corporate membership in The American Institute of Architects.

1. My full name is William Francis Bigoney, Jr.
2. I am a natural citizen of The United States of America
3. My legal residence is in the City of Ft. Lauderdale
County of Broward State of Florida
4. My address in The Institute records will be
Number 801 Street SW 9th Terr.
City Ft. Lauderdale State Florida
5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as a practicing architect
6. I desire to be a member of the Florida South Chapter.
(Miami)
7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws and the Principles of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and the Rules and Regulations supplementary thereto, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of a member of The Institute.
8. I have filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the Chapter above named. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its component organizations.
9. I enclose my check for \$10.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues. It is my understanding that if I am not admitted to membership \$5.00 will be returned to me, and \$5.00 retained by The Institute as an examination fee.

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2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

4. State whether residence or office address.

5. State whether as a practicing architect, a teacher, a public official, etc.

Date 14 October 19 49

William Francis Bigoney, Jr.
Applicant sign full name in ink

PAID
DATE 10-17-49

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth March 5, 1921 Place of birth Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y.

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

Florida

(b) I passed the State Board Examination in the following-named states:

Florida

(c) I hold Certificate No. 1664 of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, for having passed their Standard Examination.

EDUCATION

12.(a) I attended high schools, private schools, colleges, universities, as follows:

Name of School, College, University	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
Baldwin High School	Baldwin, N.Y.	4	1938	High School
Allegheny College	Meadville, Pa.	2		
Pratt Institute	Brooklyn, N.Y.	3	1947	Bach. of Arch.
Harvard University	Cambridge, Mass	1	1948	Master of Arch.
Mass. Institute of Technology	" "	1/2		special training in design

(b) I have held the following-named scholarships and have traveled in the following-named countries:

Student scholarship 1944 Pratt Institute

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:

Schilling and Goldbecker Architects, New Haven, Conn.
Summer 1946 and 1947
Draftsman

Robert M. Little and William G. Crawford Architects
220 SE 8th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
from July 1948 to date.
Sr. Draftsman and designer

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

none

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

15. I list below other business in which I participate or own an interest, and the extent of such participation or interest.

none

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 16. Member of Institute from _____ to _____
- 17. Junior of Institute from _____ to _____
- 18. Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 19. Junior Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 20. Student Associate of Brooklyn Chapter from 1946 to 1947
- 21. Member of State Organization in _____ from _____ to _____

ENDORSEMENT BY PROPOSERS

(The two proposers must be corporate members of The Institute in good standing.)

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have read the statements made hereinabove by the applicant and believe them to be correct. I vouch for his honorable standing in this community and in his profession, and I believe he is fully qualified for membership and I propose him therefor.

I have known the applicant for 1 1/2 years.

I have known the applicant for 1 1/2 years.

Signed [Signature]
Proposer

Signed [Signature]
Proposer

2180 Buckell Ave
Miami, Fla.
Address

220 SE 8th ave
Ft Lauderdale, Fla
Address



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF

William Francis Bigoney, Jr.
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Jacksonville, Fla.
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 October 21, 19 49

Earl W. Dineen
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?
Junior or Written Examination
Grade in General Average 80.3
- 4. What was the period of the examination? 4 days. Written examination 36 hours; Oral examination 1 1/5 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 first registration June 11, 19 49 Registration No. 1664 Is it current? Yes
Until July 1, 1950

William O. Sullivan
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date October 24, 19 49

Fla. State Board of Architecture
(Name of Board)

December 15, 1949

Dear Mr. Bigoney:

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 Florida South Chapter, and the Florida Association of Architects, effective December 15, 1949.

You will be a member of those component organizations, unless you later transfer therefrom, 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 and State organizations. By taking an active part in their 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 yours,

Secretary

Mr. William Francis Bigoney, Jr., A.I.A.
301 S. W. Ninth Terrace
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

QWD/kk
Enclosures

WILLIAM F. BIGONEY, JR. ARCHITECT A. I. A.

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

June 12, 1950

Mr. J. W. Rankin
Administrative Secretary
American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

I have your notice of June 7, 1950, stating that the Charter has been granted to the Broward Chapter, American Institute of Architects.

I would like to have my chapter assignment transferred from the Florida South Chapter to the newly formed Broward Chapter.

Sincerely yours,

W. F. Bigoney

William F. Bigoney, Jr.
801 SW 9th Terrace
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

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Bigoney



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1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

July 31, 1950

Effective Date

TO: *Transferred Member:* **Mr. William F. Bigoney, Jr., A.I.A.**
801 S. W. 9th Terrace
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Secretary of Chapter **Mr. Van W. Knox, Jr., Sec.**
To Which Member is **Broward County Chapter, A.I.A.**
Transferred **Sweet Bldg.**
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Secretary of Chapter **Mr. Dean Parnelco, Sec.**
From Which Member **Florida South Chapter, A.I.A.**
Is Transferred **605 Lincoln Rd.**
Miami 32, Fla.

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.

Sincerely yours,

SECRETARY

cc to: Secretary, Fla. Association of Archts.

See memo 10/1

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July 10, 1950

The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

Is it considered an ethical procedure by the Institute, for an architect to announce the opening of his office by sending printed or engraved announcement to his friends and business relations? The medical profession and the law profession use this method of notifying their associations of the formation of their office.

I would appreciate any information available on this subject, and any pertaining to the opening of a new Architectural Office.

Very truly yours,

Wm F. Bigoney

William F. Bigoney, Jr.
801 SW 9th Terrace
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

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Bigoney

July 17, 1950

Dear Mr. Bigoney:

We have your letter of inquiry of July 10th.

It is not only ethical, but I believe generally customary for an architect to announce the opening of his office by sending printed or engraved announcements to his friends and to any others whom he thinks might be interested.

For your information, there is quoted below a typical example of an announcement which we received recently:

"ROBERT D. STONE, A.I.A.
Announces the Opening of Offices for the
General Practice of Architecture

1225 Linwood Boulevard
Oklahoma City, Okal.

Office Phone 3-7428

Residence Phone 58-3353"

Sincerely yours,

Executive Director

Mr. William F. Bigoney, Jr., A.I.A.
801 S. W. 9th Terrace
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Printed

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

*Members
Bigoney, Wm. F. Jr.*

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS



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March 29, 1960

FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

To: Miss Swan
From: Miss Gervais
Re: President, Broward County Chapter - Address on Chapter Lists

The President, William F. Bigoney, Jr., reports that we have an incorrect address for him. It should be

2520 East Las Olas Boulevard

J. H. Gervais

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

NAME: Bigoney, William F.

BIRTHDATE: March 5, 1921

CHAPTER: Broward County

CATEGORIES: Public Service

YEAR ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED: 1978

YEAR FIRST CONSIDERED BY JURY: 1979

NOMINATION BY: Chapter xxx Individual

REFERENCES:

1. James A. Greene, FAIA, Tampa
2. Robert H. Levison, FAIA, Clearwater
3. Fotis Karousatos, Hon. AIA, Miami
4. Hilliard T. Smith, Jr., FAIA, Lake Worth
5. Roy D. Smith, AIA, Ft. Lauderdale
6. Ted Pappas, AIA, Jacksonville
7. Robert O. Cox, Ft. Lauderdale



SECTION 1. DIGEST OF CAREER AND ACHIEVEMENTS

WILLIAM F. BIGONEY FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Because of William Bigoney's continuing efforts, the expertise and concern of Broward County Chapter architects is being well demonstrated to the people and to local officials. Unquestionably he is inspiring the most unique and successful planning concept in Ft. Lauderdale's history.

"Dynamic and involved" aptly describes his concerned dedication to his community. Aware of rapid deterioration in central Ft. Lauderdale, he initiated and organized the 1974 Centrum Charrette, an intensive three-day workshop. Coalescing Chapter architects with over 150 local citizens and government officials from all fields of expertise, he has achieved an outstanding development in the hitherto static planning process: client-user solutions derived in concert with government thus mandated by the people and implemented by officials. Devised to provide feasible solutions for socio-economic problems of urban blight, the innovative Charrette planning process, still under Chapter sponsorship, has sparked the hibernating vitality of the community and has become a continuous entity now guiding implementation of the extensive downtown regeneration. Bringing local architects to the forefront he has provided a highly visible and sorely needed showcase for their creative talents thus fostering public credibility of the architect's wide range of planning abilities including such diverse areas as transportation and the quality of life.

From the unqualified success of the first Charrette emerged an awareness of the area's prime aesthetic and historic asset, the sadly neglected river traversing the very heart of the urban core. Recognizing its inherent potential, William Bigoney in 1975 organized an elite Charrette splinter composed of architects and landscape architects -- the River Team. Under his leadership this team worked for a year researching every facet of the navigable river's past, present and future, ultimately devising a plan to revitalize the key two-mile segment. The plan concentrates on developing the city's existing contiguous easements as pastoral walks and parks interspersed with public activity nodes and focusing all other commercial development on this setting. Immediately adopted by the city many segments are now reality with the remainder staged for implementation.

Now that the downtown and river redevelopments are well under way he has been able to turn his attention to other areas. Most notably the establishment of a Charrette process for the Ft. Lauderdale Beach area. Begun last year he is again leading Chapter architects in a community effort to revitalize the degenerated hotel and commercial areas near the oceanfront.

William Bigoney, recipient of this year's Architect's Community Service Award bestowed by The Florida Association of The American Institute of Architects, continues to show by his personal drive and dynamic leadership that architects are master builders of a cohesive foundation for future growth.

REFERENCES

1. James A. Greene, FAIA, President, Florida Association of The American Institute of Architects, 5401 W. Kennedy Blvd., Suite 531, Tampa, Fl. 33609; professional society.
2. Robert H. Levison, FAIA, Past Director, Florida Region, The American Institute of Architects, 1189 N.E. Cleveland St., Clearwater, Fl. 33515; professional society.
3. Fotis Karousatos, Honorary AIA, Executive Vice President, Florida Association of The American Institute of Architects, Suite 203, 7100 N. Kendall Dr., Miami, Fl. 33156; professional society.
4. Hilliard T. Smith, Jr., FAIA, Past Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, 1123 Crestwood Blvd., Lake Worth, Fl. 33460; professional society.
5. Roy D. Smith, AIA, Vice President/President Designate, Broward County Chapter, Suite 301, 2601 E. Oakland Pk. Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33306; professional society.
6. Ted Pappas, AIA, Treasurer, Florida Association of The American Institute of Architects, 208 Washington St., Jacksonville, Fl. 32202; professional society.
7. Robert O. Cox, Commissioner, City of Fort Lauderdale, 1900 S.E. 15th St., Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33316; client and Charrette associate.

SECTION 2. NOMINATION *(submit in duplicate)*

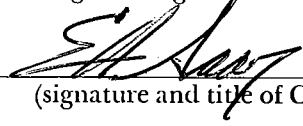
1. WILLIAM F. BIGONEY, of the Broward County Chapter and corporate member of the AIA since
(name of nominee) (chapter assignment)

1950 is nominated for Fellowship for notable contribution to the advancement of the profession of
(election date)

architecture in the area (s) of Public Service
(areas of distinction, see Principles Underlying the Bestowal of Fellowship for a complete listing).

The nomination is made by:
(check and sign either 1a. or 1b.)

1a. Vote of governing Board of Broward County Chapter
(name of component organization)

 16 May 1978
(signature and title of Chapter President or Secretary) (date)

1b. Individual corporate members and/or Fellows as follows:

(written signature and date) (typed signature and chapter):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

2. The nominators designate the following member to be the sponsor of the nomination:

Name Robert E. Hansen, FAIA

Address 311 S.E. 16 Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33301 Phone Number 305/463-8568

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SECTION 3. PROFILE

(Additional sheets may be inserted, but please be concise.)

TYPEWRITING ONLY

1. Nominee's name: William Francis Bigoney
2. Nominee is a natural naturalized citizen of the United States.
3. Nominee's mailing address: 519 N.E. 3rd Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33301
4. Nominee's firm name and address: William F. Bigoney, A.I.A., Architect
519 N.E. 3rd Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33301
5. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by: Florida State Board of Architecture

(name of state board, NCARB, as case may be)
6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture in the states of: Florida
7. Nominee is engaged in the profession of architecture as: sole proprietor architect
8. Nominee's date of birth: 5 March 1921
Place of birth: Rockville Centre, Long Island, New York
9. Nominee's education: _____

(a) High School, College, University, Post Graduate, etc. (chronological order)

Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
Allegheny College	2	1940	--
Pratt Institute	2	1947	B.A. (Architecture)
Harvard University	1	1948	M.A. (Architecture)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	1/2	1948	graduate design course

(b) Scholarships held by nominee:

Allegheny College

10. Nominee has traveled in the following countries:
United States, Canada, Mexico, Cuba, The Bahamas, Jamaica, Bermuda, Virgin Islands
11. Other data concerning nominee's record:
Studied directly under Walter Gropius at Harvard and G. Kepes at M.I.T.
Lieutenant Colonel, Retired Reserve, United States Air Force.

SECTION 3. PUBLIC SERVICE

(Additional sheets may be inserted, but please be concise.)

1. List the offices and committees in civic organizations and voluntary governmental positions occupied by the nominee and the period of each:

Office or Committee and its Origin
(i.e., Federal, State or local government)

From

To

See additional sheets #1 and 2.

2. Describe the specific achievements of the nominee which have contributed notably to the advancement of the profession in the field of public service by his service listed above:

See additional sheets #3 through 5.

3. List the significant awards, honors and recognition accorded, by the Institute and other professional, governmental, or civic organizations for the nominee's work in public service:

See additional sheet #6.

4. Books or articles written in relation to work done while the nominee served the public:

Title of Book or Article

Publication Date

Publisher

Accessibility: A Cost Versus
Need Dilemma.

Jan./Feb. 1976

The Florida Architect

Section 3. Public Service
Additional Sheet #1 - William F. Bigoney, A.I.A.

1. List of offices and committees in civic organizations and voluntary governmental positions occupied by the nominee:

- 1950 - 79 Ft. Lauderdale Beach Kiwanis Club
1978 - 79 Vice President (President Elect)
- 1959 - 62 United Cerebral Palsy Foundation of Broward County
1959 - 60 Director
1960 - 61 President
1961 - 62 Chairman of the Board
- 1959 - 77 Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals
1960 - 61 Vice Chairman
1961 - 63 Chairman
1976 - 77 Chairman, Barrier Free Task Force
- 1959 - 61 Broward Builders Exchange
1959 - 61 Director
1960 - 61 Construction Bidding Practices Board
- 1960 - 61 City of Ft. Lauderdale Master Plan Commission, Chairman
- 1965 - 66 Broward County Standard Zoning Committee
- 1969 - 79 Ft. Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce
1969 - 70 Planning and Community Development Task Force
1972 - 77 Transportation Committee
1973 - 77 Long Range Area Planning Committee
1973 - 78 Housing Task Force
1975 - 77 Marine Task Force
1977 - 78 Chairman, Land Use Task Force
1977 - 79 Congressional Action Task Force
1978 - 79 New Industry Task Force
1978 - 79 Local Government Task Force
- 1972 - 76 Broward County Area Planning Board, Citizens Advisory Committee
- 1973 - 79 Downtown Business Council
1973 - 78 Director
1978 - 79 President
- 1974 - 79 Centrum Charrette
1974 - 75 Founder, General Co-Chairman
1974 - 79 Director
1975 - 76 Chairman, Publications Committee
1975 - 76 Chairman, Land Use Team
1975 - 76 Chairman, Transportation Team
1975 - 78 Chairman, River Team
1976 - 77 Chairman, Convention Center Committee
1976 - 78 Chairman, Urban Design Team
- 1975 - 76 Broward County Community Development Block Grant Committee,
Vice Chairman
- 1975 - 78 City of Ft. Lauderdale, Bicentennial Committee

Section 3. Public Service

Additional Sheet #2 - William F. Bigoney, A.I.A.

- 1976 - 78 City of Fort Lauderdale, Architectural Chairman, Landscaping Code Committee
- 1976 - 79 Chairman, Barrier Free Task Force, Florida Association of The American Institute of Architects
- 1977 - 78 Beach Charrette, General Moderator and Team Captain
- 1977 - 78 Broward County School Board, Architectural Selection Committee
- 1977 - 79 Beach Planning Council, Director
- 1978 - 79 City of Fort Lauderdale, Chairman, Beach Improvement Subcommittee
- 1978 - 79 Metropolitan Dade County, Barrier Free Task Force Subcommittee of the Dade County Board of Rules and Appeals
- 1978 - 79 Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals, Barrier Free Task Force Committee
- 1978 - 79 City of Fort Lauderdale, Performing Arts Theatre Selection Committee

Section 3. Public Service
Additional Sheet #3 - William F. Bigoney, A.I.A.

2. Description of specific achievements of the nominee which have contributed notably to the advancement of the profession in the field of public service by his service listed above:

William Bigoney's most outstanding public service achievement is the Centrum Charrette. By 1974 the downtown area of Ft. Lauderdale had severely declined physically and economically with no cohesive plan being prepared for its regeneration. Deeply concerned he devoted his efforts as the Broward County Chapter president to this problem. Since several previous planning studies by outside consultants had been ineffective he determined a different approach was essential. Coalescing the Chapter's forces he organized an intensive, three-day workshop to involve the general public along with the experts providing a stage for the interaction of ideas and to develop a plan compatible to the needs of the people yet functional and feasible to implement. Participants were selected to provide a complete cross-section of civic, scientific, cultural, professional and governmental disciplines; all willingly volunteered their time and talents. Divided into four quadrant teams, each captained by Chapter architects and containing representatives of the various fields of expertise, participants were immersed in bus, boat and aerial view tours of the core area to develop a concentrated awareness of existing conditions. Followed by a series of input talks from specialists on history, city planning, transportation, ecology, sociological impact, urban criminology, health factors, cultural aspects, black viewpoint, parking and special taxing district information, the teams began their task. Two days of frenzied activity followed as teams worked around the clock defining specific problems, developing and analyzing potential solutions for their geographical sections, pooling their answers then regrouping into topic teams (historic district, transportation, parking, housing, etc.) for further refinement of ideas and solutions. Throughout the expertise of Chapter architects was recognized and utilized as reams of color sketches began covering every inch of wall space. The vitality of a community was coming to life in an atmosphere charged with electricity and excitement. By the end of the third day there was no doubt that the Charrette had been an unqualified success. Local television stations and newspapers covered the presentation of solutions to the general public, who, intrigued by media publicity during the project, came by the hundreds that night. What had been planned as one presentation had to be repeated several times to accommodate crowds which each time overflowed the auditorium facilities. (See Exhibits #1, 2, 3 and 4.)

But the unique Charrette planning approach did not stop there. The spark that William Bigoney generated was fueled by the enthusiasm of local architects and the people who continue to work as a voluntary group, sponsored by the Chapter, guiding and refining Charrette concepts through the time consuming implementation process. (See Exhibits #5, 6 and 7.)

From the first Charrette there emerged a universal consensus that the city had turned its back on the major historic and aesthetic asset -- the navigable river which courses through the heart of the urban area. Realizing the imperative need for salvaging the riverbanks from encroachment of commercial development, William Bigoney organized a special team of architects and landscape architects. Thorough on site study and careful research for a full year permitted The River Team members to become immersed in every aspect of the river. Settling on a key two-mile segment the team devised a 44-point plan for reorienting the river

Section 3. Public Service
Additional Sheet #4 - William F. Bigoney, A.I.A.

back to the people and reestablishing it as a focal point and identifying entity for all downtown redevelopment. Using existing easements owned by the city the plan calls for extensive reforestation of indigenous foliage for land retention and scenic views combined with removal of seawalls which are extremely detrimental to the water's ecological balance. Interspersed along meandering pathways are activity nodes for commercial and recreational facilities. Enthusiastic endorsement by the 1975 Centrum Charrette followed by adoption of the plan by the City of Ft. Lauderdale generated an immediate start on implementation, many segments of which are now completed with the remainder scheduled for completion within the next few years. (See Exhibits #8 and 9.)

Encouraged by the success of the Charrette planning process, William Bigoney has led Chapter architects in the establishment of a Beach Charrette begun in 1977 to foster revitalization of a substantially degenerated commercial and hotel area between the Intracoastal Waterway and the ocean. Once the pride of Broward County and the Gold Coast tourism industry, the area has become a montage of run down hotels, honky-tonks, cheap commercialism and other assorted attendant tawdry elements. Vital to the area's economy it will require several years of concentrated effort to return it to its former level. Determined to achieve that goal, William Bigoney continues to inspire Chapter members to the forefront of this project to again prove the capabilities of local architects. Because he actively involved the majority of property owners in the Beach Charrette, they have been encouraged by help from the Chapter and the support of interested citizens and government officials to begin the major redevelopment efforts necessary. To assist in this drive and provide additional impetus, William Bigoney persuaded the city government to sponsor a Beach Park Committee. As chairman, he gathered a team of architects and environmental experts to devise an experimental plan for reforestation geared at stopping serious sand erosion between the actual ocean beach and the major roadway segregating the commercial areas on the west. Initially a one block area has been selected and is being constructed. With the indigenous plantings the architects interwove a walkway-esplanade to further the park-like atmosphere. If successful the overall plan calls for redeveloping the remaining three-mile ocean beach-front in a similar manner. (See Exhibits #10 and 11.)

Extensive as the various Charrette projects are, William Bigoney finds time for other endeavors which affect the public and the profession. As chairman of the Florida Association of the American Institute of Architects Barrier Free Task Force since 1976, he actively works with state and local government officials to foster legislation favorable to all types of handicapped persons but which will also be realistic for the general public in terms of building costs and actual useability. Generating this legislation has included serving on the state model building code committee and testifying as an expert witness before the State Legislature, serving at the invitation of the Metropolitan Dade County Board of Rules and Appeals on their committee to rewrite pertinent portions of South Florida Building Code, and extensive work with other municipalities to insert or rewrite handicap codes. (See Exhibit #12.)

In 1976 he formed a committee of architects, landscape architects and local citizens, under City auspices, to revise the landscaping code. As originally written the code was far too stringent and unwieldy for the general public to comply with and prohibited the architect from maintaining any control over a project's landscaping. The extensive revisionary process required over six months to complete but under his leadership Chapter architects were able to effect a finished product containing sufficient flexibility for future construction development, elimination of "instant landscaping" and returning design control to the architect.

Section 3. Public Service

Additional Sheet #5 - William F. Bigoney, A.I.A.

Any attempt to list every achievement William Bigoney has made in public service and advancing of the profession during his 28 years as an architect would be an arduous and lengthy task. His dedication and leadership qualities are readily apparent from the foregoing recitation and well deserve the bestowal of the honored Fellowship.

Section 3. Public Service

Additional Sheet #4 - William F. Bigoney, A.I.A.

3. List of significant awards, honors and recognition accorded, by the Institute and other professional, governmental, or civic organizations for the nominee's work in public service:

- Oct. 1974 Nominated by the City of Fort Lauderdale as its entry in the 1974 All-American Cities Award.
- Jan. 1977 Community Service Award from the Broward County Commission for founding Centrum Charrette: "In recognition for your devotion to our community and your untiring efforts to promote a more prosperous and vital environment for all the people of Broward County."
- Jan. 1978 Community Service Award presented by the Broward County Chapter of The American Institute of Architects: "For contributions to and concerns for the visual environment."
- Sept. 1978 Architect's Community Service Award presented by the Florida Association of The American Institute of Architects: "For his active leadership in community activity and service which has been of direct benefit to the community in which he lives."

March 6, 1979

Mr. William F. Bigoney, FAIA
519 N.E. 3rd Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Dear Mr. Bigoney:

I have the pleasure of informing you that the Jury of Fellows advanced you to Fellowship in the Institute at its recent meeting for your notable contributions to the advancement of the profession of architecture. With this action, you are also admitted to the College of Fellows.

The newly advanced fellows will receive their medals at the Investiture of Fellows which will be held on Monday, June 4, 1979, at the Music Hall, Kansas City, Missouri, where the Institute's Annual Convention will take place on June 3 - 7. Details about this event will be sent to you in the near future.

The Officers of the Institute and the Jury of Fellows join me in the hope that you will be present to receive this honor. Please send your reply to me at your earliest convenience.

I take this opportunity to express my personal congratulations and good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Robert M. Lawrence, FAIA
Secretary

Enclosures

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BROWARD ARCHITECT HONORED

William F. Bigoney, AIA of Fort Lauderdale is the 1978 recipient of the FAAIA's "Architect Community Service Award". The award will be presented to Bigoney on September 30 at the Doral Country Club and Hotel, Miami during the Annual Awards Banquet.

The award is presented to recognize an architect whose active leadership in community activity and service has been of direct benefit to the community in which he lives.

Bigoney has served on many community boards and organizations. But his most outstanding community service accomplishment is the Centrum Charrette. In 1974, aware that downtown Fort Lauderdale was in rapid decline, he initiated and organized an intense three day workshop which involved a diverse cross-section of over 150 representatives of government and various field of professional, scientific, civic and cultural experts.

The goals of the Charrette were to define the physical and psychological problems, develop and analyze potential solutions and unify the solutions into a total concept for living, working and playing in the heart of the field.

The plan has received enthusiastic support and endorsement by private, civic and governmental bodies.

Bigoney owns his own architectural firm in Fort Lauderdale.

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Three Florida Architects Named Fellows

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Three Florida architects were elected to the American Institute of Architect's College of Fellows in ceremonies held here this week.

They were among a group of 95 architects from around the country invited to the college, the second-highest award bestowed by the profession.

The three Florida men honored are: Fort Lauderdale architect William F. Bigoney, president of the Broward chapter of the AIA; Clearwater architect Frank R. Mudano, a member of the Florida Central Chapter, and Jacksonville Chapter member George Peter Loyd Rumpel.

To qualify for the AIA's College of Fellows, architects must have made "notable contributions to the advancement of architecture" and have been a member for at least 10 years.

Miami architect Samuel H. Kruse sat on the jury of fellows that selected this year's members.

— WAYNE MARKHAM