



The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

APPLICATION NO AP 13607

Dated January 22, 19 58
 Received April 8, 19 58
 Granted April 22, 19 58

MEMBERSHIP NO 13607

- A Name of applicant George Arthur Bissell, Jr. Chapter Pasadena
- B Address of applicant 20880 E. Mesarica Road, Covina, California
- C Application received with check for \$ 20.00 on April 8, 19 58.
- D Application returned for correction 19 .
- E Application in due order on April 8, 19 58.
- F Acknowledgments to applicant and chapter on April 8, 19 58.
- G Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission April 8, 19 58.
~~MEMBER APPLICATION RECEIVED~~ received on
- H Record of registration, Form S39, Sent California.....1958. Received. April 8, 19 58.
- I The applicant has - been examined as to his professional qualifications by California State Board
 of Architectural Examiners.
- J The applicant is - currently registered as an architect or licensed to practice
 architecture in the states of California.
- K Application sent to The Committee on Membership..... April 15, 19 58.
- L The Committee on Membership reported on application on April 15, 19 58.
- M The applicant was requested to furnish additional evidence of his profes-
sional qualifications on or before 19 , which was received.

REPORT:

As a result of its findings on the evidence submitted The Committee on Membership unanimously reports that in its opinion the applicant is* qualified for membership in The American Institute of Architects.**

THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

Date April 15, 19 58

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 Chairman

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 George Arthur Bissell, 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 Pasadena Chapter.

Date April 22, 19 58.

[Handwritten signature]

 Secretary

- N Applicant was admitted on April 22, 19 58.
- O Notice to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter on April 22, 19 58.
- P Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$.....
returned to applicant on 19 .

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INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.

Mail both copies to the secretary of the local Chapter of The Institute, with check for \$20.00 made payable to The American Institute of Architects.



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 George Arthur Bissell, Jr.

2. I am a natural citizen of the United States.

3. My legal residence is in the City of Covina
County of Los Angeles State of Calif.

4. My address in The Institute records will be
Number 20880 Street E. Mesarica Road
City Covina Zone State Calif.

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

6. I desire to be a member of the Pasadena, Calif. Chapter.

7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws; and the Standards of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, which are attached hereto; and the Rules and Regulations supplementary thereto; and that I understand the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of a member of The Institute; and that I have read and understand all the information contained in this form and its attachments.

8. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its component organizations.

9. I enclose my check for \$20.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues, of which \$5.00 is for a year's subscription to the Journal of The American Institute of Architects and the Memo-a Newsletter. It is my understanding that if I am not admitted to membership \$10.00 will be returned to me, and \$10.00 retained by The Institute as an examination fee.

Date 1-22 19 58

George Arthur Bissell, Jr.
Applicant's sign full name in ink

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State whether natural or a naturalized citizen.

State whether residence or office address.

State whether a practicing architect, teacher, a public official,

PAID
\$20. 4-14-58

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth Jan. 31, 1927 Place of birth Los Angeles

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

California

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

California

(c) I hold Certificate No. 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
Covina High	Covina	4	1944	
Pepperdine College	L.A.	1		
U. S. C.	L. A.	6	1953	B. Arch.

(b) I have held the following-named scholarships or other honor awards, and have traveled in the following-named countries:

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

Employer's Name-Address	Type of Business	Classification of Position	Period of Employment by month and year
C. J. Smale Los Angeles, Calif.	Architect	Draf., design	1953 - 56
Geo. A. Bissell, Sr. Covina, Calif.	Gen. Cont.	Draf., sutp. of construction	1948-1953 (part time)

*(NOTE: Applications must conclusively show that applicant has had three full years of experience in architectural work, in offices, governmental employment, or teaching, in addition to graduation from an architectural school; or eight full years of such experience without formal education; or equivalent combinations of both of the foregoing.)

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.)

Private practice From 1957 To present

15. Is architecture your principal vocation? Yes

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

16. 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 AND APPLICATIONS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

17. I have previously applied for membership or associateship in the chapter of The American Institute of Architects. The details concerning this application are as follows:

- 18. Member of Institute from ... to ...
19. Junior of Institute from ... to ...
20. Associate of ... Chapter from ... to ...
21. Junior Associate of ... Chapter from ... to ...
22. Student Associate of So. California Chapter from 1952 to 1953
23. Member of State Organization in ... from ... to ...

REFERENCES

Five references are required, at least three of whom shall be corporate members of The Institute in good standing. Member references must be available for personal contact by the local chapter officers.

- Lee B. Kline, A.I.A. 1741 Silver Lake Blvd., L. A.
Clarence J. Smale, A.I.A. 7427 Beverly Blvd., L. A.
Jack Causey, A.I.A. 211 Garden Glen, West Covina.
Henry White, Mgr., Bank of America, Western & Santa Barbara, L.A., Cal.
Clayton Baldwin, Prof. of Architecture, Univ. of Southern California



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

PASADENA
(Chapter)

170 East California Street
(Address)

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JAN 27 1958
ARCH. EXAMINERS
SACRAMENTO

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,

Address

RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF

George Arthur Bissell, Jr.
(Name of Applicant)

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, 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 24 19 58

Ward W. Seems
Chapter 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? Written and oral and presentation of exhibit of drawings
4. What was the period of the examination? 4 days. Written examination 36 hours; Oral examination 1/2 hours.
5. When examined, did applicant have a certificate from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards? If so, give Certificate No.
6. Date of first registration Nov. 14 19 57. Registration No. C-2462. Is it current? yes

Richard O. ...
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date January 28 19 58

CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS
(Name of Board)

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

April 22, 1958

Mr. George Arthur Bissell, Jr.
20880 East Mesarica Road
Covina, California

Dear Mr. Bissell:

The Board of Directors of The American Institute of Architects takes pleasure in informing you that it has acted favorably on your application and welcomes you to corporate membership in The Institute. You will receive shortly a certificate of membership duly executed by the officers of The Institute.

You are assigned to the Pasadena Chapter and the California Council of the A.I.A., effective April 22, 1958.

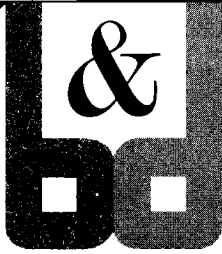
I sincerely hope that you will take an active and interested part in your chapter activities since it is through these activities that Institute policies are developed. Your cooperation and participation will contribute to the advancement of Institute objectives and increase the benefits to be derived from Institute membership.

I want you to know that my office is always at your service to the fullest extent of its powers.

Sincerely yours,

Edward L. Wilson
Secretary

Enclosures




December 5, 1961

The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I would like to request a transfer from the Institute's Pasadena Chapter, to its Orange County Chapter. If this is satisfactory, please make the change effective not later than January 1, 1962.

Sincerely,


GEORGE BISSELL, JR., A.I.A.

GB:rh

DEC 7 1961

Members
Bissell, George



ONE COPY PLEASE RETURN

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Effective Date **January 1, 1962**

TO: *Transferred Member:* **Mr. George Bissell, Jr., A.I.A.**
1290 North Coast Highway
Laguna Beach, Calif.

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Secretary of Chapter **Mr. Charles M. Wickett, Secy.**
To Which Member is **Orange County Chapter, A.I.A.**
Transferred **1001 N. Spadra**
Fullerton, Calif.

Secretary of Chapter **Mrs. Joan R. Driskel, Secy.**
From Which Member **Pasadena Chapter, A.I.A.**
Is Transferred **1327 Mountain View Ave.**
South Pasadena, Calif.

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

Copy to: **California Council, A.I.A.**

Controller's office

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

March 5, 1974

Mr. George Bissell, FAIA
359 San Miguel Drive, #301
Newport Beach, California 92660

Dear Mr. Bissell:

I have the pleasure of informing you that the Jury of Fellows advanced you to Fellowship in the Institute effective February 21, 1974, for your notable contribution to the advancement of the profession of architecture. With this action, you are also admitted to the College of Fellows.

Those who have been advanced to Fellowship will receive their medals, with appropriate ceremony, at the Investiture of Fellows to be held on May 20, 1974, at 5:00 p.m. at Constitution Hall, Washington, D. C.

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

Permit me to add my personal congratulations and good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Hilliard T. Smith, Jr., FAIA

cc: Mr. Jerry L. Kasperek, AIA, Sponsor

Enclosures

ARMAND BARTOS

New York Chapter

Armand Bartos is recognized for his long and distinguished career in advancing the cause of architecture and the allied arts and for his constant example of how a committed architect, through his search for excellence and quality, can inspire and stimulate others.

MAC DONALD G. BECKET

Southern California Chapter

A highly qualified architect, MacDonald Becket has made significant contributions in all facets of the profession.

HERBERT BECKHARD

New York Chapter

A design partner in a firm of exceptional ability and far-reaching influence, Herbert Beckhard has collaborated brilliantly on a number of eloquent projects, resulting in a noble contribution to the ~~xxxxxx~~ architect's skill.

GEORGE BISSELL

Orange County Chapter

The winner of many design awards, George Bissell has also generously contributed his talents in professional activities and in counseling young and aspiring architects.

~~HOWARD T. BLANCHARD~~

~~An architect dedicated to his community and his profession, Howard T.~~

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P. McCall

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

November 4, 1980

Mr. George A. Bissell, FAIA
P. O. Box 2760
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Dear Mr. Bissell:

Welcome to the Board of Directors.

In order to get to know you quickly and so you may get to know the other members of the "class of 1981" and members and officers continuing on the Board of Directors, the Public Relations Department will produce a softcover volume called "The Board in Brief." This booklet contains informal photos and biographies of each of the officers and members of the Board and their spouses. Enclosed is a sample page from last year's edition.

Also enclosed is a Biographical Data form. Please take the time to complete this form completely and carefully, as the information contained in it will be used in three ways: an informal biography will be compiled for use in "The Board in Brief," your home address and spouse's name will be used in the Social List maintained by the Special Events Department, and a formal biography will be written for the use of the Public Relations Department in publicizing your installation on the Board and any future appointments or speaking engagements.

In addition to this written material, we need one studio quality black and white portrait of yourself (preferably 8 x 10, but 5 x 7 is acceptable) for the use of the Public Relations Department, and an informal portrait of you and your spouse for use in "The Board in Brief."

Each year at this time you will have the opportunity to provide a new photo of yourself or self and spouse for these purposes.

Mr. George A. Bissell, FAIA
November 4, 1980
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Our goal is to have "The Board in Brief" ready for distribution on the first day of your orientation session, November 17. To do this, we need these materials as soon as possible--November 1, if you can provide them that quickly. If need be, do send the written materials and photos (clearly marked) separately.

Thank you for your help--we look forward to meeting you in November!

Sincerely,

Kathleen L. Knepp
Office of the Assistant Secretary

cc: Peter McCall, AIA Public Relations

BOARD BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

NAME:

George Bissell, FAIA

EDUCATION:

B. Architecture
University of Southern California
1953

MILITARY EXPERIENCE:

Deck Officer, U.S. Merchant Marine
1944-1946

EARLY ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE:
(Please include firm names and dates)

Bissell & Duquette	1957-1961
Riley & Bissell	1962-1972
Bissell/August Associates	1972-1980

PRESENT FIRM NAME AND ADDRESS:
(Please include telephone number)

Bissell Associates
190 Newport Center Drive
Newport Beach, California 92660
(714) 644-5670

YOUR POSITION IN FIRM:

President

TYPE OF WORK FIRM DOES:

Architecture, Engineering, Planning

MAJOR ARCHITECTURAL PROJECTS:

Mustang Island Plan, Corpus Christi, Texas
Progressive Architecture Award, 1974

Sixty-01 Apartments, Redmond, Washington
A.I.A. Honor Award, 1978

STATES WHERE YOU ARE LICENSED TO PRACTICE:

California, Arizona, Washington, Illinois, Florida, New Mexico, Wyoming,
Texas

PAST AIA ACTIVITIES AND POSTS:

(Please include dates, elected offices,
committee work, etc.)

President, Orange County Chapter, A.I.A., 1975

President, California Council, A.I.A. 1973

Director, C.C.A.I.A. Foundation, 1979 to -

OTHER ARCHITECTURE-RELATED ACTIVITIES:

(Please include dates)

Director, Architectural Guild, U.S.C., 1976-1978

Served on numerous chapter awards juries.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Director, Newport Center Association, 1975-1977

Board of Governors, U.S.C. Alumni Association, 1980-1982

FAMILY: (Spouse's name, children, home address)

Wife - Larry

Children - Five (all grown)

108 Via Havre, Lido Isle, Newport Beach, California 92660

HOBBIES, INTERESTS:

Sailing, skiing, tennis, scuba, travel

PUBLISHED WORKS:

During the past twenty years work has been published in A.I.A. Journal, Architectural Record; Arts and Architecture; Progressive Architecture; Architectural Forum; and Housing. Books: U.C.I.'s "P.U.D."; Record's "Apartments and Townhouses"; "Guide to Architecture in Southern California.

OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE:

(Please continue on a separate sheet if more space is needed)

Publications to notify of your election and appointments:

(Include alumni publications, dailies and weekly regional papers if you wish)

Los Angeles Times

Newport Beach Daily Pilot

Santa Ana Register

Newport Beach Ensign

Trojan Family, U.S.C. Alumni Association

Architects
Planners
Engineers

190 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, California 92660 (714) 644-5670

Bissell Associates

George Bissell, FAIA

Senior principal and founding member of the firm in 1957.

Bachelor of Architecture, University of Southern California, 1953

National Director, American Institute of Architects, 1981-1983.

President, California Council of the American Institute of Architects, 1978.

President, Orange County Chapter, American Institute of Architects, 1975.

National Design Committee, 1979.

Commissioner, California State Board of Architectural Examiners, 1975-1978.

Elected to fellowship, American Institute of Architects, 1974.

Chairman or member of design awards jury for the East Bay Chapter, Los Angeles Chapter, Inland Empire Chapter, Ventura Chapter and San Diego Chapter American Institute of Architects, 1975-1980.

Registered Architect in California, Florida, Illinois, Arizona, Texas, Washington, Wyoming and New Mexico.

Certified by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

Member of the Board of Governors, University of Southern California, 1980-1983.

Vice-President, Newport Center Association, 1977.

Director, Lido Isle Community Association, 1977.

Director, Lido Isle Yacht Club, 1978.

Teacher, Graduate School, Environmental Design, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, 1980.

Visiting Critic, California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo, 1978.

Founder of the California Design Conference first held in Newport Beach in 1978 and now held annually in Monterey.

ALSO MEMBER OF:

TRANS-PACIFIC YACHT CLUB

ROYAL CORK YACHT CLUB

BARBOA BAY CLUB

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION

HOBBIES: SAILING; SKIING; TENNIS; SCUBA

PETE - I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE INFO YOU REQUESTED. GB

Awards

American Institute of Architects National Award

Sixty-01 Complex, Redmond, Washington

American Institute of Architects Orange County Chapter

Block 100 - Newport Center, Newport Beach, California

190 Newport Center Building, Newport Beach, California

280 Newport Center Building, Newport Beach, California

359 Newport Center Building, Newport Beach, California

Ancient Mariner Restaurant, San Diego, California

Borg-Warner Building, Newport Beach, California

Convent and Rectory, Pasadena, California

Coto de Caza Club, Trabuco Canyon, California

Coto de Caza Condominiums, Trabuco Canyon, California

Dental Arts Building, Pasadena, California

Downtown Redevelopment, Santa Ana, California

Earnery House, Glendora, California

Gellatly House, San Clemente, California

Irvine Industrial Complex Headquarters Building
Newport Beach, California

Irvine Meadows Mobile Home Park
Irvine, California

Lido Village, Newport Beach, California

Main Street Redevelopment, Garden Grove, California

Michelson Plaza Office Building, Irvine, California

Mustang Island Resort, Corpus Christi, Texas

Newport Center Auto Wash, Newport Beach, California

Riverside Meadows Mobile Home Park, Riverside,
California

Santa Fe Plaza Office Building, Santa Fe Springs,
California

Sixty-01 Condominiums, Redmond, Washington

Sun Lakes Country Club, Chandler, Arizona

Tempe Meadows Mobile Home Park, Tempe, Arizona

Progressive Architecture Award

Mustang Island Resort, Corpus Christi, Texas

American Institute of Architects Pasadena Chapter

Saga Motor Hotel, Anaheim, California

Dental Arts Building, Pasadena, California

American Institute of Architects House and Home Magazine

Bissell House, Covina, California

Horizon Home, Sierra Madre, California

Sixty-01 Condominiums, Redmond, Washington

In Addition, Bissell Architects Has Received Awards From The Following Organizations

AIA/Masonry Institute

AIA/Cedar Shingle Bureau

AIA/Sunset Magazine

Architects and Engineers Forum

National Association of Home Builders

Prestressed Concrete Institute

Urban Design Institute



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
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MEMORANDUM

Date: January 4, 1982
To: All Staff
From: Susan Allen
Re: Board address change

Please note the following address change for George A. Bissell, FAIA,
effective January 4, 1981:

George A. Bissell, FAIA
3434 Via Lido, Suite 250
Newport Beach, CA 92663

TEL: (714) 675-9901