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MEMBERSHIP NO 8938

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

- A Name of applicant.....William Potter Buffum, Jr.....Chapter. Rhode Island
- B Address of applicant. 385 Benefit Street, Providence 3, Rhode Island
- C Applicant proposed by Philip D. Creer and Conrad E. Green
- D Application received with check for \$ 15.00 on.....October 27, 19 52
- E Application returned for correction..... 19 .
- F Application in due order on.....November 25 19 52
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent R.I. Oct. 31, 1952. Received. November 5, 1952.
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
  - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on.....November 30, 19....., on October 31, 19 52.
  - (b) Form S12, 30-day extension ending on.....19....., on 19 .
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, ~~proposers~~, and chapter on.....November 4, 19 52.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission  
~~or that application be denied~~ received on.....November 25, 19 52
- J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on.....November 25, 19 52.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on.....November 25, 19 52
- M Applicant was admitted on.....January 1, 19 53.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter ~~and letter~~  
~~to proposers~~ on.....January 1, 19 53.
- 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 Potter Buffum, 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 Rhode Island Chapter.

Date November 25, 19 52.

*Carroll D. Dick*  
Secretary

(a)

*In due order  
November 25, 1952  
J.P. Green*

R.I.  
Oct. 31

THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.



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INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.

Mail this original and check for \$15.00 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 Potter Buffum, Jr.

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

3. My legal residence is in the City of Providence

County of Providence State of Rhode Island

4. My address in The Institute records will be (office)

Number Street  
385 Benefit Street  
City Zone State  
Providence 3 Rhode Island

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

6. I desire to be a member of the Rhode Island Chapter 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 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 \$15.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues, of which \$1.00 is for a year's subscription to the Bulletin of The American Institute of Architects. It is my understanding that if I am not admitted to membership \$10.00 will be returned to me, and \$5.00 retained by The Institute as an examination fee.

Date Oct. 23 1952

William Potter Buffum Jr.  
Applicant sign full name in ink



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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.

## STATISTICS

10. Date of birth June 13, 1919 Place of birth Providence, R. I.

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

Rhode Island

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

Rhode Island

(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:

<i>Name of School, College, University</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>No. of Years</i>	<i>Year of Graduation</i>	<i>Degree</i>
The Gunnery School	Washington, Conn.	3	1937	
Brown University	Providence, R.I.	4	1941	AB
Harvard Graduate School of Design	Cambridge, Mass.	3-1/2	1948	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:

	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	
Albert Harkness, Architect, 726 Industrial Trust Bldg., Providence, R. I.	Jan. 1948	July 1948	(Draftsman)
Albert Harkness & Peter Geddes, 726 Industrial Trust Bldg., Providence, R. I.	July 1948	Sept. 1950	(Draftsman)
Cull and Robinson, Architects & Engineers, 385 Benefit Street, Providence, R. I.	June 1950		(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).

From To

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

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

I have been teaching Architectural Design at The Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, R. I. since Sept. 1950. I give lectures and criticism 5 afternoons a week.

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 16. Member of Institute from to
17. Junior of Institute from to
18. Associate of Rhode Island Chapter from 1948 to
19. Junior Associate of Chapter from to
20. Student Associate of Chapter from to
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 12 years. I have known the applicant for 7 years.

Signed Philip D. Coates Proposed 423 Industrial Trust Bld. Providence, R.I.
Signed Conrad E. Green Proposed 32 Westminster St. Providence R.I.



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

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

William Potter Buffum, Jr., Providence 3, Rhode Island  
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,  
Providence 6, Rhode Island  
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 31, 1952

*Samuel W. Morris*  
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? NO
3. What was the scope of the examination? STANDARD NCARB EXAMINATION
4. What was the period of the examination? 4 days. Written examination 36 hours; Oral examination 1 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 OCT. 24, 1952 Registration No. 228 Is it current? YES

*Samuel W. Morris*  
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date Nov. 4, 1952 Rhode Island Board of Examination and Registration of Archs.  
(Name of Board)

Mr. William Potter Buffum, Jr., A.I.A.  
385 Benefit Street  
Providence 3, Rhode Island

Dear Sir:

January 1, 1953

I am pleased 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 as indicated below.

You will be a member of the listed 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 my office is at your service to the extent of its powers.

The Policies of The Institute are developed largely from activities 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.

I bespeak your active cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

ASSIGNMENTS:

Chapter: **Rhode Island Chapter, A.I.A.**  
State Organization:

Effective Date: **January 1, 1953**

CWD/fhg  
Enclosures:

*Members.  
Buffum, Wm. P. Jr.*

The Secretary  
159 Waterman Street  
Providence, R. I.

FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

September 19, 1959

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

Gentlemen,

I have recently been appointed Secretary  
of the Rhode Island Chapter to replace Mr. Charles  
Bishop who has resigned.

Very truly yours,

*William P. Buffum Jr.*  
William P. Buffum Jr.  
Secretary, R. I. Chapter

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D.O.B.: 6/13/19



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP EMERITUS

To the Secretary,  
The American Institute of Architects

DECEMBER 5, 1986

I hereby apply for Membership Emeritus in the Institute for the following reason:

(Check the appropriate reason)

- I am more than 70 years of age.
- I am more than 60 years of age and retired from the profession of architecture.
- I am unable to engage in the profession of architecture because \_\_\_\_\_

STATE NATURE OF INCAPACITATION

9/227

I have been in good standing in the Institute and the RHODE ISLAND Chapter for 15 successive years.

If and when elected to Membership Emeritus, I wish to continue to receive AIA mailings.  
Yes  No  (If Yes, please attach a check for \$40 if your current dues are not paid.)

Name William P. Buffum Jr., AIA

Address 127 LLOYD AVE. P.O. BOX 2521  
PROVIDENCE R.I. 02906

Phone 401 751 4884

12/5/86 *William P. Buffum Jr.*

DATE & SIGNATURE

**Information for Applicant:** The applicant may supplement the above reasons on a separate sheet. In exceptional circumstances and for adequate cause, the secretary of the Institute may lessen the required period of good standing but the other conditions are immutable. Upon election to Membership Emeritus, all rights and privileges of membership, including the use of the title Member Emeritus written in full after the initials "AIA" or "FAIA," as the case may be, remain intact while the member is exempted from further dues payments to the Institute and the member's chapter and state. Members Emeriti have the option to remain on the AIA mailing list for \$40 per year. This fee helps defray mailing costs. Members Emeriti who do not wish to receive AIA mailings and publications need not pay this mailing charge. Membership Emeritus dues rates (\$40) will apply to those members who upgrade their status to Emeritus by March 31 of the current year. After that date, Emeritus dues rates will be effective the year following acceptance to Emeritus status.

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January 27, 1987

Your Membership No. Is: 977553

Mr. William P. Buffum Jr., AIA, Member Emeritus  
127 Lloyd Ave  
P.O. Box 2521  
Providence, RI 02906

Dear Mr. Buffum:

It is a pleasure to inform you that your membership classification has been changed to Member Emeritus.

We are grateful for your many years of support and we hope that your participation and interest will continue, though you are now relieved of further dues payments.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Phe".

Philip W. Dinsmore, FAIA  
Secretary

cc: Rhode Island Chapter, AIA