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Granted June 1, 19 52.

MEMBERSHIP NO 8557

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

Judice order
April 23, 1952
J.H. Gerovis

- A Name of applicant..... Harry L. Colton..... Chapter..... Western Michigan
- B Address of applicant..... 510 Grand Rapids National Bank Bldg, Grand Rapids 2, Michigan
- C Applicant proposed by..... Frederick W. Knecht..... and..... Roger Allen.....
- D Application received with check for \$ 10.00 on..... February 1, 19 52
- E Application returned for correction..... 5.00..... March 27, 19 52
- F Application in due order on..... April 23, 19 52.
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent..... Mich, Mar. 21, 19 52 Received. March 26, 19 52.
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on..... April 21,..... 19 52 on March 21, 19 52
 - (b) Form S12, 30-day extension ending on..... May 21,..... 19 52 on April 21, 19 52
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, ~~proposer~~, and chapter on..... March 21, 19 52
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission
~~in that application be denied~~ received on..... April 18, 19 52.
- J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... May 6, 19 52.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... May 6, 19 52.
- M Applicant ^{was} admitted on..... June 1, 19 52.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter ~~and letter~~
~~to proposer~~ on..... June 1, 19 52.
- 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

Harry L. Colton
to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the Western Michigan Chapter.

Date June 1, 19 52

Secretary

(a)



INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.

Mail the 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 this 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 **HARRY L. COLTON.**
2. I am a citizen of **UNITED STATES.**
3. My legal residence is in the City of **GRAND RAPIDS**
County of **KENT** State of **MICHIGAN.**
4. My address in The Institute records will be

<small>Number</small>	<small>Street</small>		
510	GRAND RAPIDS	NAYL. BK. BLDG.	
<small>City</small>	<small>Zone</small>	<small>State</small>	
GRAND RAPIDS	2	MICHIGAN.	
5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as **Western Michigan**
6. I desire to be a member of the **GRAND RAPIDS** 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.
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, 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 \$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 or a public official, etc.

Date 19

Harry L. Colton
Applicant sign full name in ink

PAID
\$ 10. 2-6-52

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth Nov. 1st. 1887 Place of birth KALAMAZOO MICHIGAN.

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

MICHIGAN.
PENNSYLVANIA
NORTH CAROLINA.

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

MICHIGAN.

(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	Degrec
HIGH SCHOOL	<u>St. JOSEPH</u> <u>MICHIGAN.</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1904</u>	<u>-</u>
NIGHT SCHOOL	<u>ART INSTITUTE</u>		<u>CHICAGO</u>	<u>1908 THRU</u> <u>1912</u>

(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	Classification	From	To	Location
<u>MARSHALL & FOX</u>	<u>TRACER</u>	<u>1907</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>CHICAGO</u>
<u>JOHN ALSCHLAGER</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>1909</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>GEORGE W MAHER</u>	<u>DRAFTSMAN</u>	<u>1909</u>	<u>1911</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>CHAS. W KALLAL. CITY ARCHT.</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>1911</u>	<u>1913</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>HOWARD SHAW</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>1913</u>	<u>1914</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>WM E. WALKER</u>	<u>CHIEF</u>	<u>1914</u>	<u>1917</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>ADLER & WORK.</u>	<u>SUPERINTENDANT</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1920</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>HENRY H TURNER.</u>	<u>" & DRAFTSMAN</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>1922</u>	<u>GRAND RAPIDS</u>
<u>COLTON & KNECHT.</u>	<u>PARTNERSHIP</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>1932</u>	<u>"</u>
<u>SELF</u>	<u>2.</u>	<u>1932</u>	<u>1939</u>	<u>"</u>

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).

COLTON & KNECHT. ARCH'TS	From	APR. 1. 1921	To	JAN. 1. 1930
COLTON, KNECHT				
MCCARTY & THEBAUD "		JAN. 1. 1930		OCT. 15. 1932
SELF		OCT. 15. 1932		PRESENT.

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

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

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION.

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 _____ 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 32 years. I have known the applicant for _____ years.

Signed F. M. Knecht
Proposer

Rockford, Michigan
Address

Frederick W. Knecht

Signed Roger Allen
Proposer

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.
Address

Roger Allen

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HARRY L. COLTON

Architect

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

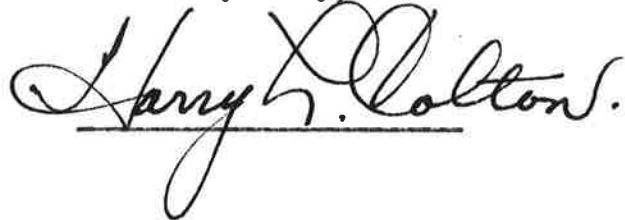
January 30, 1952

The Secretary
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find application for membership
which I hope will receive favorable consideration.

Yours very truly,


Harry L. Colton.

HLC:h
Encl.



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

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Harry L. Colton - Grand Rapids 2, Michigan
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Detroit, Michigan
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 March 21, 19 52

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?
4. What was the period of the examination? 3 days. Written examination hours; Oral examination 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 Feb. 28, 19 23 Registration No. 1254 Is it current? Yes

(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date March 21, 19 52 Michigan State Board of Registration for Architects
(Name of Board)

ELMER J. MANSON, *President*
517 N. Washington Ave.
Lansing 15, Michigan

CHARLES O'BRYON, *Vice-President*
300 Fulton St., E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan

RICHARD G. SNYDER, *Secretary-Treasurer*
1129 Comfort St.
Lansing 15, Michigan



WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

15 April 1952

*Rec'd STG
from New M
4/23/52*

Mr. J. W. Rankin, Administrative Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Please find attached A. I. A. Form S2, Favorable
Recommendation of Chapter on Application for Membership, for
Mr. Harry L. Colton of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

Richard G. Snyder
Richard G. Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer

cc: Manson



WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER
Name of Chapter
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION OF CHAPTER
ON APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

I, the undersigned *Secretary* of *The Western Michigan Chapter,*
The American Institute of Architects, do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of a
resolution adopted by the Executive Committee of this Chapter at a duly called meeting thereof
held on *April 15,* 19 *52,* vouching for the honorable standing of
HARRY L. COLTON in the community, and
recommending his admission to membership in The Institute:

RESOLUTION

"Whereas, *Harry L. Colton,* an architect having his
legal residence & principal place of business within the territory of this
Chapter duly applied on *January* 19 *52* for membership in The
American Institute of Architects; and

"Whereas, the Executive Committee of this Chapter has examined the
statements made by him in his application for such membership and believes
that the statements are true and correct and that the applicant is an architect
of integrity and ability and of honorable standing in this community and
among his fellow architects and able to undertake the financial obligations of
such membership to The Institute and this Chapter; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the *Western Michigan* Chapter,
The American Institute of Architects, vouches for the honorable character
and standing of *Harry L. Colton,* an applicant for admission
to membership in The Institute, believes him able to undertake the financial
obligations of that membership, and recommends to The Board of Directors of
The Institute his admission to membership in The Institute and this Chapter."

Date *April 15,* 19 *52* .

Richard S. [Signature]

~~President~~
Secretary

(Strike out title not applicable)

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Type in name
of officer and
chapter.

Type in date
and name of
applicant.

Type in name
of applicant.
Strike out the
words "legal
residence" or
"principal
place of busi-
ness" which-
ever are not
applicable.

Type in name
of chapter.

Type in name
of applicant.

June 1, 1952

Dear Sir:

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,

Mr. Harry L. Colton, A.I.A.
510 Grand Rapids National Bank Bldg.
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

Secretary

ASSIGNMENTS:

Chapter: Western Michigan
State Organization:
Michigan Society of Architects
Effective Date: June 1, 1952

CWD/fhg
Enclosures:



HARRY L. COLTON
associates

FAG

riverside 2-2548 - 545 cheshire drive, n.e. - grand rapids, michigan

October 21, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

At a recent chapter meeting I was talking with Mr. Ralph E. Seeger in which he stated he now has a life membership. Being seventy-one (71) years of age the 1st. of November 1958, I cannot see why I should not be eligible also.

*Elected
1952*

If any other procedure is necessary please let me know.

Thanking you I am

Sincerely yours,

HARRY L. COLTON ASSOCIATES

Harry L. Colton
Harry L. Colton

HLC/cb

*Members
Colton, Harry L. A*

FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

November 4, 1958

Mr. Harry L. Colton, A.I.A.
545 Cheshire Drive, N.E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Dear Mr. Colton:

Responding to your letter of October 21st:

One of the requirements for election as a Member Emeritus of The Institute is that the corporate member must have had fifteen years of previous membership in good standing immediately prior to the filing of his request for this change in status.

Inasmuch as you have been a member since 1952 only, it is regretted that you are not eligible for election as a Member Emeritus.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Florence H. Gervais
Secretary of Membership and Records



Grand Valley Chapter A.I.A.

January 29, 1964

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

Gentlemen:

We have a request from Mr. Harry Colton, Grand Rapids, Michigan architect, for "Emeritus" status in A.I.A.

Inasmuch as we do not have the complete record of this individual's status in A.I.A., would you please advise if he is eligible, and the procedure we must follow to issue such a membership.

Yours very truly,

H. Rodger Stroop, Sec'y.
Grand Valley Chapter, A.I.A.

HRS:mh
cc: B. De Vries

595 Cheskie D. S. to

1001

6/15/62
W. Smith

G.V. 12/5/62

1/31/64

President—BERNARD J. DE VRIES, 615 Hackley Union Bldg., Muskegon, Michigan
Vice-President—DAVID E. POST, 640 Eastern Avenue S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan
Secretary—H. RODGER STROOP, 788 Columbia Avenue, Holland, Michigan
Treasurer—JOHN VANDERMEIDEN, JR., 1203 Beech Tree Street, Grand Haven, Michigan

February 5, 1964

Mr. H. Rodger Stroop, Secretary
Grand Valley Chapter, AIA
788 Columbia Street
Holland, Michigan

Dear Mr. Stroop:

We are in receipt of your letter dated January 29th regarding the possibility of Mr. Harry Colton's election as a Member Emeritus for which he qualifies except for one item:

Inasmuch as he was originally admitted in 1952 he has not completed 15 years of Institute membership as required. However, if the chapter would send us a statement to the effect that it recommends that this requirement be waived in Mr. Colton's case - particularly in view of his age - such action will most likely be taken. Also advise us of his standing in the chapter.

Enclosed is a form requesting this change in membership status which should be filled in by Mr. Colton and returned to this office.

Upon receipt of this form and information from the chapter as indicated in paragraph 2 above, prompt and final action will be taken whereupon Mr. Colton will be exempt from further payment of Institute and Chapter dues.

Sincerely yours,

Maureen Marx, Manager
Membership Procedures

enclosure



Grand Valley Chapter A.I.A.

February 20, 1964

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

Attn: Maureen Marx, Mgr.
Membership Procedures

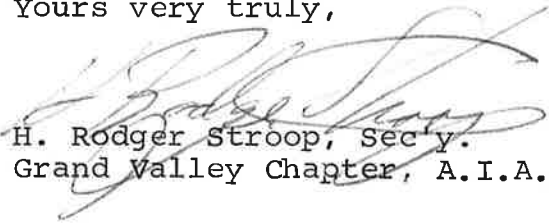
Re: Membership Emeritus
Mr. Harry Colton

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is Mr. Colton's Application for Membership
Emeritus, A.I.A. Form H-601.

The Executive Committee of the Grand Valley Chapter,
at its regular meeting held February 17, 1964, waived Par. #2
relative to membership for 15 years and recommends Emeritus
Status for this applicant.

Yours very truly,


H. Rodger Stroop, Sec'y.
Grand Valley Chapter, A.I.A.

HRS:mh
Encls.
cc: B. De Vries

President—BERNARD J. DE VRIES, 615 Hackley Union Bldg., Muskegon, Michigan
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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP EMERITUS

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

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

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

- a. I am more than 70 years of age. **76**
- b. I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.
- c. I am unable to engage in the practice of architecture.

Write in name of chapter.

I have been in good standing in The Institute and the _____ chapter for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Respectfully,

Date

Feb. 19- 1964

Harry L. Colton.
Signature

The applicant may supplement the above reasons in writing below or on sheets which he shall attach to this application. Under exceptional conditions and circumstances, The Board of Directors may lessen the period of good standing but not the requirements of a, b, or c.

Michigan Architectural registration #1254 by examination in 1924 and have been in business here since that time.

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FEB 24 1964



Mr. Colton, Harry L.
1545 22nd St. N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002

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

NOTICE OF ELECTION — MEMBER EMERITUS

(Handwritten mark resembling a stylized 'L' or '7')

TO **Mr. Harry L. Colton, AIA
545 Cheshire Drive, N. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan**

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

MEMBER EMERITUS

of The American Institute of Architects and of its component organizations of which you are a member, exempting you from the payment of annual dues to The Institute and such organizations, effective **January 1, 1964.**

Date **March 10** 19 **64**

(Handwritten signature: P. Dinton Sauffe)
.....
Secretary



Michigan
Society of
Architects

March 8, 1974

28 W. Adams Ave.
Detroit, Michigan
48226

Ann Stacy
Executive Director
(313) 965-4100

Mrs. Maureen Marx
Membership
American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue NW
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mrs. Marx:

Please be advised that Grand Valley Chapter, AIA
member Harry L. Colton, AIA, member emeritus
died on January 21, 1974.

Sincerely,

Frances Blum

fb
CC: Robert Koehler, AIA Journal

MAR 11 1974

[Archivist's note: A copy of the newspaper obituary attached to his record in Find A Grave Index online gives his death date as Wednesday, January 23, 1974.]