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*Architects*

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April 28, 1931



Mr. Edward Kemper, Ex. Secretary  
American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon, 1741 New York Ave.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

We enclose two applications for membership  
to the Madison Chapter of the American Institute  
of Architects.

These applications have the approval of  
the entire Chapter.

Yours very truly,

MADISON CHAPTER OF A.I.A.

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*James R. Law Sr.*  
Secretary

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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May 23, 1931

Dear Mr. Law:

Your letter of April 28th was promptly received, but due to the pressure of work incident to our recent Convention, this is the first opportunity we have had to acknowledge it.

With regard to the applications for Institute Membership for Messrs. Bernhard J. Dookendorff and Albert Edward Parkinson of LaCrosse, Wisc., we are sorry to find that they are not in completed form.

Although the Chapter has extended Unanimous Endorsement to these applicants, the rules require that the applications must also be endorsed by three Institute Members in the spaces provided at (4), (5) and (6). They should also be acknowledged by you at (3), as Secretary of the Chapter.

Will you please take care of these items, and then return the applications to The Octagon? No real delay has been the result of this, as no meeting of the Board of Examiners has been held recently. It will probably meet in June.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. James R. Law, Secretary,  
Madison Chapter, A. I. A.,  
First Central Building,  
Madison, Wisc.

Executive Secretary,

June 2, 1931

Dear Mr. Law:

Thank you very much for the prompt return of the applications for Institute Membership for Messrs. Bernhard J. Dookendorff and Albert Edward Parkinson of LaCrosse, Wisc.

With the signatures you secured as endorsers, and your own signature as Secretary of the Chapter, the applications are now complete.

As these applicants have the Unanimous Endorsement of the Madison Chapter, no further data is necessary from them, and we have advised them accordingly, today.

The applications will be considered at the June meeting of the Board of Examiners, but final action cannot be taken until the next meeting of the Institute Executive Committee or Board of Directors, in the late summer, or fall. You will be kept advised of any developments.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. James R. Law, Secretary,  
Madison Chapter, A.I.A.,  
First Central Building,  
Madison, Wisc.

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### Application for Membership

*La Crosse Wis March 14*, 1931

To the Secretary of The American Institute of Architects.

I hereby apply for Membership in The American Institute of Architects, and certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Bernhard J. Ruckendorf

Address Parkinson & Ruckendorf La Crosse Wisconsin

Place and date of birth La Crosse Wisconsin Jan. 22 - 1878

Graduate in architecture Attended Polytechnicum, Darmstadt Germany from 1897 - 1900

Holder of Scholarship in architecture who was later appointed Dombaumeister, seeing the Cathedral of Mainz

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts.

If your State has a Registration or License Law and you are not registered, state reasons Have licenses in States of Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota and Michigan

If practicing architect, firm name Parkinson & Ruckendorf

Have been in practice 27 years. If draughtsman, employed by \_\_\_\_\_

Collegiate and office training Had 2 years office training previous to 1897 -

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the circular of advice relative to "Principles of Professional Practice," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in The American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of The American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

*Bernhard J. Ruckendorf*  
[Signature of Applicant.]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date February 20, 1931 (2) James P. Law  
[Insert date of election to chapter.] [Signature of the Secretary of the chapter.]

If the applicant is not an Associate, the following acknowledgment must be signed:  
Without endorsement I hereby take note on behalf of my chapter that this applicant is applying for Institute membership (3) James P. Law  
[Signature of President or Secretary of Chapter to which the applicant will be assigned if elected.]

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement by the applicant and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

- Registration or License Number. (Essential if Registered)
- (4) Frank S. Moulton
  - (5) James P. Law
  - (6) Edward J. Law

It is not mandatory that applicants from Registration or License law states be registered or licensed. But the current number of Registration or License must appear here if the applicant is registered or licensed.

(7) \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required even if the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the applicant proposed, and in which there were no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]



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November 27, 1931

Dear Mr. Dockendorff:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective November 21, 1931.

You have been assigned to the Madison Chapter as an Institute Member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so advised.

A Membership Card for the balance of the year 1931 is enclosed herewith.

An engrossed Certificate of Membership is also sent with this letter.

May I take this opportunity to say that the office of the Secretary at The Octagon is for the service of every Institute Member? Should the occasion arise, we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Cordially yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Bernhard J. Dockendorff,  
C/o Parkinson & Dockendorff,  
LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

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Enclosures.

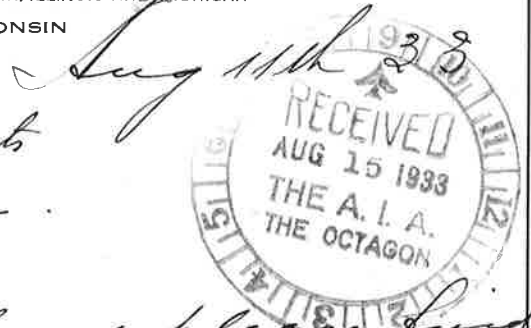
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MEMBERS AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
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LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN

Am. Inst. of Architects  
Washington D.C.



Gentlemen:- Enclosed please find  
my belated remittance of 25.00

Times have been so exceedingly  
difficult to operate an office and  
the good Lord alone knows what  
the future has in store for us  
architects. Seems as tho. the  
Government could allow some  
of the work now done at Washington  
to come into our office. Some  
of the larger architectural firms have  
had repeated engagements from  
the Government.

Awaiting the arrival  
of a better day, I am,

Sincerely yours

B. J. Dockendorff

Received Payment  
American Institute of Architects  
25.00 8/16/33 - 1933 dues  
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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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August 23, 1933.

Dear Mr. Dockendorff:-

This is the first opportunity to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of August 11th, and for check covering the 1933 dues- which is most timely under present conditions.

Herewith is copy of the proposed Code for architects, on which the Code Committee of the Institute has been working. We are all hoping that its final enactment will prove of great benefit to the profession.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. B. J. Dockendorff,  
Parkinson & Dockendorff,  
LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

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TO THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

JANUARY 1, 1943  
(ORIGINAL)

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.  
Raymond J. Ashton, Treasurer

DR.

ANNUAL DUES, January 1, 1943, to December 31, 1943, inclusive <i>Payable on the first day of the fiscal year, and may be paid in installments: See reverse.</i>	\$20	00
SPECIAL DUES, for 1943 only—for the general purposes of The Institute and particularly to maintain a Washington Representative. He will represent the architectural profession, individually and collectively, before Congress, the War Department, the Navy Department, and other departments. He will be active in securing recognition of the Architect in the coming program of Post-War Reconstruction. This work is largely dependent upon these special dues. See Treasurer's explanatory letter of January 1, 1943; also paragraph 5 on reverse.	5	00
Total for 1943	\$25	00
Past due	20	00
	\$45	00

*According to the By laws of the Institute I am a suspended member since Dec 31st 1942.*  
Mr. Bernhard J. Dockendorff  
c/o Parkinson & Dockendorff  
LaCrosse, Wisconsin

*At this time I cannot uphold these dues and I will await the arrival of a better day for us Architects. Trying to keep an office open even without help is no*

Remittances received after the 28th day of the past month not credited hereon.

*A small matter when sent etc is taken into consideration saying nothing of my time without any recompense. Probably later on if things are more favorable*

*I will try and reenter.*

- DUES FOR 1943
1. The Board of Directors has fixed the annual dues for 1943 at \$20.00 per member.
  2. Annual dues may be paid in three installments, as follows: \$7.00 on or before March 31, 1943, \$7.00 additional on or before September 1, 1943, and \$6.00 additional on or before December 31, 1943. If each of these installments is paid on or before the time stated, the member will not be in default during the year unless he is under suspension for non-payment of the previous year's dues.
  3. Every member who has paid his 1942 dues in full but has not paid the entire amount of his 1943 dues on or before December 31, 1943, will be in default for the unpaid amount and his membership will be suspended on that date.
  4. While a member is under suspension he cannot vote in The Institute and chapter meetings or hold office in The Institute or in any chapter or act as delegate, but he will be carried on The Institute rolls as a suspended member until December 31, 1944, on which date his membership in The Institute and his Chapter will automatically be terminated, unless before that date he has restored his membership by paying his indebtedness.
  5. The Board of Directors of The Institute appeals to the membership for a voluntary contribution in the form of "special dues" during 1943, for the general purposes of The Institute and particularly to maintain the office of the Washington Representative. The failure to pay such special dues shall not be deemed to be a default of dues.

*Sincerely*  
*Bernhard J. Dockendorff*

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January 16, 1943

Dear Mr. Dockendorff:

This will acknowledge your note on your returned statement for Institute dues.

The Officers of The Institute fully appreciate the hard conditions now imposed upon the profession.

Under the established procedure your membership can go into suspension during the year 1943.

If, at the end of that year, you can pay one year's dues then your membership will be saved from termination on December 31, 1943.

We hope conditions with you will improve, for The Institute does not want to lose your membership.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Bernhard J. Dockendorff, A.I.A.  
c/o Parkinson & Dockendorff  
LaCrosse, Wisconsin

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*Dockendorf*

January 25, 1944

Dear Mr. Bauer:

Thank you for yours of January 17:

Check for \$5.00 is acknowledged and credited to the account of Mr. Walter Trapp. This pays his 1944 dues in full and membership card has been sent to him.

It is encouraging to note that Messrs. Wright and Veenedaal will probably pay their accounts.

With reference to Messrs. Glas, Dockendorf and Michelsen, they are still corporate members of The Institute, for a corporate membership can be terminated only by action of The Institute itself.

At present, each of these members is indebted for dues in whole or in part for 1942 and 1943 and unless sufficient payments are made on account prior to February 15 their corporate membership will be discontinued by action of The Institute.

In each of such cases, formal notice will come to you as Secretary of the Chapter.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Alexander H. Bauer, Secretary  
Wisconsin Chapter, A.I.A.  
759 North Milwaukee Street  
Milwaukee 2, Wisconsin

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