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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ARCHITECTS' ROSTER AND/OR REGISTER OF ARCHITECTS QUALIFIED FOR FEDERAL PUBLIC WORKS

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1. (a) **FIRM** (individual or partnership) Alden B. Dow, Inc.
- (b) **FORMER FIRM**, if any Alden B. Dow, Architect, until November, 1941
2. **BUSINESS ADDRESS** 2128 Commerce Bldg., Houston, Texas, & 315 Post Street, Midland, Mich.
3. **YEAR ESTABLISHED** 1932

4. PERSONAL HISTORIES OF PRINCIPALS	Name of Principal	Name of Principal
	<u>Alden B. Dow, President</u>	<u>R. J. Pfeiffer, Secretary</u>

Furnish data complete, but keep to essentials. Describe each member of firm individually; if more than two, append extra sheets.

- (a) **Date of Birth** April 10, 1904 August 7, 1901
- (b) **Education** University of Michigan 1923-26 University of Illinois, School of Architecture, 1924
Columbia University, New York City 1927-1931 Columbia University, 1930
Studied with Frank Lloyd Wright 1933 Plym Foreign Scholarship, 1925-26

- (c) **Experience Prior to Own Practice**
(Give architect or architectural firm affiliations, positions held, and approximate dates of employment.)
13 years experience
Frantz & Spence, Saginaw, Mich. 1 yr. McKim, Mead & White, New York City
Stone & Webster, New York City
Hopeman Brothers, New York City
Walter Ahlschlager, Chicago
Russell Walcott, Chicago
Ulen and Co., Lebanon, Ind.

- (d) **Commenced Practice** 1932 1941

- (e) **Number of Years a Principal** 14 years 5 years

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(f) **Architectural Licenses**
(Give State, Number and Year Issued.)

Michigan, 2387, 1933	Illinois, 2188, 1928
Texas, 861, 1941	Wisconsin, A1430, 1932
Missouri, A512, 1944	Michigan, 3859, 1941
Ohio, 1423, 1943	Texas, 889, 1941
Florida, 184, 1945; Oklahoma, ?, 1946	Ohio, 1431, 1944; Oklahoma, 379, 1946

(g) **Professional Societies and Offices Held**

A.I.A.	A.I.A.
Torch Club	T.S.A.
T.S.A.	Gargoyle
Michigan State Planning Commission	Sigma Tau

(h) **Service in World Wars I and II.** (Append data if desired.)

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(i) **Civic Activities**

Midland, Michigan Planning Commission

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5. CONSULTANTS USUALLY EMPLOYED:

(If a member of your staff, so state)

(a) **STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Mr. Francis J. Niven
Business Address 2306 Crawford St., Houston, Texas

(b) **HEATING & VENTILATING ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Mr. Raymond L. Jenkins
Business Address 4316 Blossom Street, Houston, Texas

(c) **ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Mr. Raymond L. Jenkins
Business Address

(d) **PLUMBING OR SANITARY ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Mr. Raymond L. Jenkins
Business Address

(e) **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

Name of Firm or Individual

Business Address

6. OTHER REMARKS RE QUALIFICATIONS:

(Append extra sheet if necessary) Have done projects in the last four and one-half years for PBA, FHA, FPFA, DPC and FWA. Have done considerable private small commercial work such as office buildings, laboratories, cafeterias, etc., in the \$50,000.00 to \$200,000.00 range.

7. SUMMARY OF PROJECT COSTS:

	Largest Single Job	All Jobs Valuation	Annual Average
Work Completed 1930-1940	\$250,000.00	- The Dow Chemical Co. Office Building	
Work Completed 1941-1946	\$2,250,000.00	- City of Lake Jackson, Texas, Housing	
Current Work under construction or working drawings authorized	\$900,000.00	- Brazosport Schools, Brazoria County, Texas	

8. REPRESENTATIVE WORK FOR WHICH YOU WERE ARCHITECT OR WERE ASSOCIATED WITH OTHERS: -

(a) Three Projects Not Exceeding Cost of \$300,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
DPC Hospital	\$270,000.00	Velasco, Texas	U. S. Government
Sweeny Grade School	\$107,000.00	Sweeny, Texas	Sweeny Ind. School Distr.
Freeport Elem. School	\$ 70,000.00	Freeport, Texas	Brazosport Ind. Sch. "

(b) Three Projects Costing From \$300,000 to \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
FPFA Housing Project	\$800,000.00	Lake Jackson, Texas	U. S. Government
Brazosport Schools	\$900,000.00	Brazoria County, "	Brazosport Ind. Sch. Distr.

(c) Three Projects Costing Over \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Camp Chemical	\$1,700,000.00	Velasco, Texas	DPC
Lake Jackson Housing	\$2,250,000.00	Lake Jackson, Texas	(City of Lake Jackson (Brazosport Investment Co. (First Mortgage Co. of (Houston.

9. PHOTOGRAPHS/PHOTOSTATS:

The author submits herewith photographs or photostats (size 8" x 10") of several buildings for which he has been the Architect, as follows: (N.C.A.R.B. presentation acceptable.)

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10. COLLABORATION WITH JUNIOR ARCHITECTS:

- (a) If an established individual or firm, are you willing to collaborate with other firms or individuals which would permit junior architects to qualify and help further their professional careers?

Yes

- (b) If in private practice at this time, name associates (if additional architects are to be added to your organization) for the purpose of qualifying:

R. J. Pfeiffer

- (c) If **not** in private practice at this time, name established architect or firm with whom you have agreed to collaborate, for the purpose of qualifying:

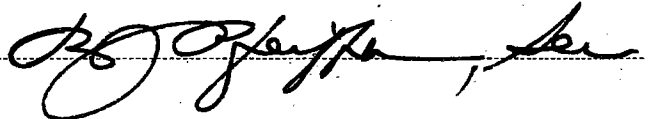
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(b) I/We would like to be } considered for the **Register of Architects Qualified for Federal Public Works**
do not wish to be }

I/We hereby certify that the above is a true statement of facts.

Name of Firm or Individual ALDEN B. DOW, INC., ARCHITECT

Signed by all Principals:



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CITY OF Houston, Texas

STATE OF _____

DATE June 6, 1947

*Saginaw
Saginaw, Mich*

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- (b) FORMER FIRM, if any Alden B. Dow
- 2. BUSINESS ADDRESS Home office: 315 Post Street, Midland, Michigan
Branch office: 2128 Commerce Building, Houston 2, Texas
- 3. YEAR ESTABLISHED Alden B. Dow, Architect -- 1933
Alden B. Dow, Inc., Architect -- 1941

4. PERSONAL HISTORIES OF PRINCIPALS	Name of Principal	Name of Principal
	<u>Alden B. Dow</u>	<u>R. J. Pfeiffer, Sec. and Manager of Houston Office</u>

Furnish data complete, but keep to essentials. Describe each member of firm individually; if more than two, append extra sheets.
Alden B. Dow R. J. Pfeiffer

- (a) Date of Birth April 10, 1904 August 7, 1901
- (b) Education Midland High School Univ. of Illinois, B.S. in Arch. Engr. 1924
University of Mich., Ann Arbor (3 yrs) One semester Post Graduate, Columbia Univ. 1930.
Columbia University, N.Y.C. (Bachelor of Architects)

- (c) Experience Prior to Own Practice
(Give architect or architectural firm affiliations, positions held, and approximate dates of employment.)
Frantz & Spence, Saginaw - 1 yr Licensed Illinois 1928
Mr. Kim, Mead & White, 1925 Plym Foreign Scholarship, Univ. of Illinois 1925-26
Frank Lloyd Wright, - 6 mos. Walter Ahlschlager, Arch., Chicago 1926-27
Russell Wolcott, Arch., Chgo, '27-'28
Arch. for Ulen Construction Co. Lebanon, Ind., 1928-30
Hopeman Bros., N.Y.C., 1930-32 (Depression 1933-35)

- (d) Commenced Practice 1933 Alden B. Dow, 1935-41-- became Sec. and mgr. Houston office in '41

- (e) Number of Years a Principal 1933-47 Ulen Const. Co. - 1928-30

(f) Architectural Licenses

(Give State, Number and Year Issued.)

Michigan - 1933	Oklahoma - 1946	Illinois - 1928	Ohio - 1944
Texas -- 1938	.....	Wisconsin - 1932	.....
Ohio -- 1946	.....	Michigan 1935	.....
Florida -- 1944	.....	Texas -- 1941	.....
Missouri -- 1943	.....	Oklahoma - 1946	.....

(g) Professional Societies and Offices Held

Engineering Society of Midland	Texas Society of Architects-- Sec. and treasurer
Michigan Society of Architects-- Bd. of Directors, Chairman of Education and Research Committee.	Gargoyle - Illinois
Michigan Academy of Arts & Science	Sigma Tau - Illinois
(h) Service in World Wars I and II. (Append data if desired.)	.....
Chairman of Ann Arbor Conference for 1942	.....
Texas Society of Architects	.....
American Institute of Architects	.....

(h) Service in Word Wars I and II -- None

None

(i) Civic Activities

(Present time -- none)

Chairman, Houston-Galveston Committee
 Texas Society of Architects
 Texas Interprofessional Commission
 on Child Development

5. CONSULTANTS USUALLY EMPLOYED:

(If a member of your staff, so state)

(a) STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS

Name of Firm or Individual	Engineering Service Co.	Francis J. Niven
Business Address	Midland, Mich	3908 Main St., Houston, Te

(b) HEATING & VENTILATING ENGINEERS

Name of Firm or Individual	Engineering Service Co.	Raymond L. Jenkins
Business Address	Midland, Mich	4316 Blossom St., Houston

(c) ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

Name of Firm or Individual	Engineering Service Co.	R. L. Jenkins
Business Address	Midland, Mich	4316 Blossom St. Houston
	A.W. Prosser	
	518 Lingle, Midland	

(d) PLUMBING OR SANITARY ENGINEERS

Name of Firm or Individual	Engineering Service Co.	" "
Business Address	Midland, Mich	

(e) LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

Name of Firm or Individual	(We have designed and specified our own for we consider it a part of architecture)	None
Business Address		

6. OTHER REMARKS RE QUALIFICATIONS: We have done the following Federal Work:
 (Append extra sheet if necessary)
 Dow Magnesium Hospital, Velasco, Texas for Defense Plant Corporation, 1942 \$300,000.00
 Camp Chemical, Velasco, Texas, for Defense Plant Corp., 1942... \$1,750,000.00
 Lake Jackson Housing, Lake Jackson, Texas, 1942, for F. P. H. A. \$850,000.00

7. SUMMARY OF PROJECT COSTS:

	Largest Single Job	All Jobs Valuation	Annual Average
Work Completed ¹⁹³³⁻ 1938 -1940	Dow Chemical Co. office Bldg. Midland	\$1,907,750.00	\$270,000.00
Work Completed 1941-1946	Lake Jackson Housing	\$ 500,000.00	\$1,580,000.00
Current Work under construction or working drawings authorized	Brazosport, Texas, Schools	\$1,750,000.00	\$900,000.00

8. REPRESENTATIVE WORK FOR WHICH YOU WERE ARCHITECT OR WERE ASSOCIATED WITH OTHERS:

(a) Three Projects Not Exceeding Cost of \$300,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Housing Project	\$220,000.00	Freeport, Texas	Dow Chemical Co.
Bath House & Pool	85,000.00	Midland, Mich.	City of Midland
Schools	150,000.00	Freeport, Texas	School District

(b) Three Projects Costing From \$300,000 to \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Schools	\$900,000.00	Freeport, Texas	School District
Office Building	338,000.00	Velasco, Texas	Dow Chemical Co.
Hospital	300,000.00	Midland, Mich.	Hospital Assoc.

(c) Three Projects Costing Over \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Camp Chemical	\$1,750,000.00	Velasco, Texas	Defense Plant Corp.
Lake Jackson Housing	2,250,000.00	Lake Jackson, Tex.	City, Private Individuals and Dow Chemical Co.

9. PHOTOGRAPHS/PHOTOSTATS:

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Yes, if conditions satisfactory.

- (b) If in private practice at this time, name associates (if additional architects are to be added to your organization) for the purpose of qualifying:

**R. J. Pfeiffer -- Secretary and Manager of the Houston Office of
2128 Commerce Building Alden B. Dow, Inc., Architect
Houston, Texas**

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Signed by all Principals:

Alden B. Dow Pres.
R. J. Pfeiffer, Sec.