

UNDER authority to elect members, as vested in me by The Board of Directors of The American Institute of Architects, by resolution of The Executive Committee adopted at its meeting on December 10-13, 1934; and in accord with the attached report of The Board of Examiners, I hereby declare

APPLICATION NO AP 653

Dated May 24, 1940.  
Received Oct. 10, 1940.  
Granted November 15, 1940.

Ambrose Coghill Cramer  
elected a corporate member of The American Institute of Architects and assigned to membership in the Chicago Chapter,  
effective November 15, 1940

MEMBERSHIP NO 653

Chas. J. Dwyer Secretary

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

*Give order  
October 21, 1940  
J.H. Senseney*

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- Name of applicant Ambrose Coghill Cramer Chapter Chicago
- B. Address of applicant 820 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- C. Applicant proposed by Philip B. Maher and Geo. T. Senseney (owes dues)  
Rene P. Travelletti
- D. Application received with check for \$ 25.00 on Oct. 10, 1940.  
(signature in lue of)
- E. Application returned for correction (Mr. Senseney) Rec'd October 21, 1940
- F. Application in due order on October 21, 1940
- G. Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
  - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on 19..., on 19
  - (b) Form S12, 30 day extension ending on 19..., on 19
- H. Acknowledgments to ~~applicant, proposer, and~~ chapter on Oct. 10, 1940.  
applicant and proposers on Oct. 21, 1940.
- I. Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~was that application be denied~~ received on Oct. 10, 1940.
- J. No report from chapter executive committee on 19
- K. Application sent to The Board of Examiners on November 12, 1940.
- L. The Board of Examiners reported on application on " " 1940.
- M. Applicant was admitted on " 15, 1940
- N. Notice ~~and certificate~~ to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter to proposers on " " 1940.
- O. Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$ 19  
returned to applicant on 19
- P. Questionnaire, re: Registration in Illinois sent 10/10/40 Rec'd 10/21/40

ORIGINAL.

File with The Secretary of The American Institute of Architects.

File the duplicate, on gray paper, with the secretary of the local chapter of The Institute.



The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT

1. Read the by-laws, the rules and regulations, and the Standards of Practice of The Institute and the by-laws and rules and regulations of the chapter to which you desire to be assigned.
2. Fill in, with *typewriting*, on both the original and the duplicate form, every blank space under items numbered 1 to 28 inclusive, (except under the items not applicable to your case) on pages numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.
3. Sign on pages 2 and 6, and have your two proposers sign on page 6, both the original and the duplicate application, in the spaces provided therefor.
4. File the duplicate application with the secretary of the chapter to which you wish to be assigned, and obtain his receipt therefor.
5. Attach to your original application:
  - (a) The chapter's receipt for your duplicate application;
  - (b) Your check for the admission fee and the current annual dues of The Institute;
  - (c) All photographs and photostat copies of documents required by the application. These photographs and photostats must be 8" x 10" in size, or mounted on sheets of that size.
6. Mail your original application with its attachments by registered mail, return receipt requested, to The Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue, Washington, D. C.

7. You will expedite the progress of your application by *fully* complying with the above instructions. If your application is not complete, with all attachments required, it will be returned to you for correction or additions.
8. If you have no certificate of registration issued to you by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, or if you have not been examined and duly registered as an architect or licensed to practice architecture by an official state board, or if such certificate of registration or license has been issued by a board whose examinations are not satisfactory to The Board of Examiners of The Institute, you may be requested by The Board of Examiners to furnish to it additional evidence of your professional qualifications. Such evidence must be furnished promptly on request, carriage prepaid. It will be returned in due course.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Any architect living in the United States or in its territories or possessions, whether or not a citizen of the United States, may be admitted to membership in The American Institute of Architects if he satisfies its Board of Directors that he has adequate professional qualifications, an honorable standing in his profession and community, and is able to undertake the pecuniary obligations of the membership.

An applicant for membership must be vouched for by two members of The Institute who must sign his application as proposers.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.  
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A member, by virtue of his membership in The Institute, becomes a member of the chapter of The Institute within the territory of which he resides or has his place of business, as he elects, but he pays an admission fee to The Institute only. The admission fee to membership in The Institute normally is twenty-five dollars. (For 1936 this fee was reduced to five dollars.)

A member pays annual dues both to The Institute and to the chapter. The annual dues to The Institute normally are twenty-five dollars (for 1936 Institute dues were reduced to twenty dollars) and those to the chapter are fixed in its by-laws.

Normally the period between the time of filing

an application and the time it is acted on by The Board of The Institute is four months. The period will be longer if the application must be returned to the applicant for corrections or if additional exhibits of the applicant's work are required by The Board of Examiners.

If an application is denied, the amount prepaid by the applicant for annual dues and for admission fee, less five dollars for examination fee, will be returned to him.

An applicant whose application has been denied without prejudice may reapply for admission to membership a year or more after the date of The Secretary's notice to him of his non-admission.

I, the undersigned, do hereby apply for corporate membership in The American Institute of Architects.

1. My full name is **Ambrose Coghill Cramer.** .

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

3. My legal residence is in the City of **Chicago** ,

County of **Cook**, State of **Illinois.** .

4. My address in The Institute records will be

Street **820 North Michigan Avenue,**

City **Chicago,** , State **Illinois.** .

5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as **president, general manager** .  
**of Ambrose C. Cramer, Inc.**

6. I desire to be a member of the **Chicago, Illinois,** Chapter.

7. I declare that I have read the by-laws, the rules and regulations, and the Standards of Practice of The American Institute of Architects, and the by-laws and rules and regulations of the chapter of which I desire to become a member, and that I understand the duties, responsibilities and obligations thereunder of a member of The Institute, and I do hereby expressly agree and declare that, if admitted to membership, I will to the best of my ability abide by and comply with such by-laws, rules, and regulations, and will abide by and uphold said Standards of Practice and conduct my practice of the profession accordingly. I am financially able to undertake all pecuniary obligations of a member to The Institute and to the chapter.

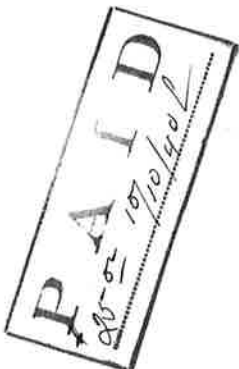
8. I filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the chapter above named and attach his receipt therefor.

9. I enclose my check for \$25.00, for admission fee and the current annual dues. It is my understanding that if for any reason you do not admit me to membership, all of said amount will be returned to me, except five dollars which you will retain as an examination fee.

Date **May 24th**, 1940 .

*Ambrose Coghill Cramer.*

Sign full name in ink



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.

8. Exhibit required.

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth Oct. 17, 1891. Place of birth Chicago, Illinois.

11. I am registered or licensed to practice architecture as follows:

States

Registration or license numbers

Date of last registration

Illinois 2833

5/16/40

(a) I hold a Certificate No. ~~1335~~ of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

EDUCATION

12. I attended the following schools:

(a) High School

(Hill School, Pottstown, Pa. <sup>City</sup> State

Graduation year

(c) (d) (e) Write in initials of degree.

(b) Private School (Lake Placid School, Lake Placid, N.Y. <sup>Name of School</sup> <sup>City</sup> <sup>State</sup>

1909

Graduation year

(c) College or University Yale University

for 4 years.

Graduation Year 1913

B. A.  
Degree

(d) College or University

for years.

Graduation Year

Degree

(e) Post-graduate at Ecole des Beaux Arts, Paris, France. for 4 years.

No. Degree

(Architectural Department)

13. I held the following named scholarships:

(a)

Year

(b)

Year

14. I have traveled in the following countries:

Austria and Germany: 1919, 1924, 1926, 1929.  
in Belgium and Holland: See "Holland and Belgium".  
Canada: 1937.

in England and Ireland: 1901, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1918, 1919, 1922-1926, 1929.

Year

France: 1901, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1917-1919, 1921-1926, 1929, 1933.  
in Germany and Austria: See "Austria and Germany".

Year

Hawaiian Islands: 1916.

Year

Holland and Belgium: 1918, 1919, 1922-1926, 1929.

Ireland and England: See "England and Ireland".

Italy: 1913, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1929.

North Africa: 1929.

Scandinavia: 1933.

Spain: 1925.

Switzerland: 1901, 1913, 1924, 1926, 1929, 1933.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

15. 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>Classification</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Name of Employer</i>	<i>City</i>
Student and Junior.	Jan.1915-	Apr.1917	David Adler	Chicago, Illinois.
*See "A".	May 1917-	Oct.1917	*See "A".	Great Lakes, Ill.
*See "B".	Oct.1917-	Aug.1919	*See "B".	
Student	1921 -	1926	Ecole Des Beaux Arts,	Paris, France.
Senior	1926 -	1928	David Adler	Chicago, Ill.

\* On attached sheet, entitled "Remarks".

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

16. 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:

<i>State</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Name of Firm or Corporation</i>							
Illinois	1928	1938	Owner and Manager,	Ambrose C.	Cramer,	Inc.				
California	1929	1930	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Kentucky	1935	1938	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

17. I have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith as follows:

<i>State</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Name of School or College</i>	<i>My Title</i>

18. In my capacity of architect, I have held the public offices listed below:

<i>Title of Office</i>	<i>City and State</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>

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 Write in Classification Column the word Student, Junior, or Senior, to indicate your classification as draftsman in each case.  
 If your practice was individual do not write in the last column to the right.



REMARKS

15. A. As naval officer, was in complete charge of all architectural plans for development of Great Lakes Naval Training Station, from station for 1500 men to station for 100,000 men.

B. As naval officer, acting as Assistant Public Works Officer on Headquarters Staff of U.S. Naval Forces in France, had complete charge of all architectural work in construction of 45 U.S. Naval and Aviation stations.

19. I list below and attach photographs of two or more of the buildings or other works of which I am the author.

<i>Name of Work</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<u>Exhibit Photo.</u>
Arthur Meeker - Residence, \$150,000	Santa Barbara, California.		"A"
John Coleman, Jr. - Residence, \$125,000	Lake Forest, Illinois.		"B"
Geo. W. Norton, Jr. - Residence, \$125,000	Louisville, Kentucky.		"C"
U.S. Post Office - Consultant, did all designs, \$200,000	Galesburg, Illinois.	<i>Exhibits required.</i>	"D"
Alfred Busiel - Alterations and furnishings, \$250,000	Glencoe, Illinois.		"E"
NATIONAL ALUMINATE - Windowless CORP. office bldg. \$250,000	Chicago, Illinois.		"F"

MEMBERSHIP IN NON-ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

20. I am a member of civic or semi-public organizations listed below:

<i>Name of Organization</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>
Art Institute of Chicago (Governing Member)	Chicago	Illinois
Arts Club	Chicago	Illinois
Museum of Modern Art	New York City,	New York

21. I have held offices in non-architectural organizations as follows:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Name of Organization</i>	<i>Year</i>
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22. I have written the following papers relating to architecture and the arts and sciences allied therewith:

<i>Title</i>	<i>Publication</i>	<i>Year</i>
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**MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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- |                                      | <i>From</i> | <i>To</i> | <i>Reason for Termination</i> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| 23. Member of Institute              |             |           |                               |
| 24. Junior of Institute              |             |           |                               |
| 25. Associate of following Chapters: |             |           |                               |

26. Member of State Association in \_\_\_\_\_ *State* from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

27. I have held offices in the architectural organizations listed below:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Architectural Organization</i>	<i>Year</i>

28. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its chapters or state association members.  
(If there are exceptions, state details)

**No exceptions.**

I certify that each and all of the foregoing statements are true and correct.

Signed Ambrose Asghill Craven  
*Applicant*

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have read the statements made herein above by the applicant and believe them to be correct. I vouch for him and for his honorable standing in this community and in his profession. I believe he is fully qualified for membership and I propose him therefor. I have known the applicant for ✓ \_\_\_\_\_ years. I have known the applicant for ✓ 10 years. RPT.

✓ Signed Philip B. Hughes  
*Proposer* FAIA

157 E. Erie St.  
Chicago

Signed Henry T. Linsenmey  
*Proposer*

Reverend P. Travellitz



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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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cc: Director, Illinois Wisconsin Dist. A.I.A.

October 10, 1940

Dear Mr. Suter:

We are in receipt of the application of Mr. Ambrose Coghill Cramer for corporate membership in The Institute and the Chicago Chapter, with check for \$25.00 attached.

The application is in proper form, except in one respect:

It is signed by Mr. George T. Senseney, as one of the proposers. Inasmuch as Mr. Senseney is still indebted for Institute dues for 1940 his membership is not in good standing. In accordance with the by-laws, members not in good standing have forfeited the right to sign applications for membership.

Accordingly, the application is returned to you, herewith, rather than to Mr. Cramer, for the purpose of obtaining a second signature in lieu of Mr. Senseney's, if you can do so consistently.

Upon the return of the application, properly endorsed, we will be in a position to proceed.

Sincerely yours,

  
Secretary.

Mr. W. Lindsay Suter, Secretary,  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.  
189 West Madison Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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1872



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REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE SECOND TUESDAY  
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CHICAGO CHAPTER  
 THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

October 19, 1940

THE AMERICAN  
 INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
 1940 OCT 21 AM 10:00  
 WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. Chas. T. Ingham  
 The Octagon  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ingham:

I am returning to you herewith, the membership application of Mr. Ambrose Coghill Cramer, with the additional signature as sponsor, of Mr. Rene P. Travelletti, who has known and worked with Mr. Cramer for some years.

I hope that this will put the application in order and allow you to take action on it.

Very truly yours,

W. Lindsay Suter, Secretary  
 Chicago Chapter, A. I. A.

WLS:MM

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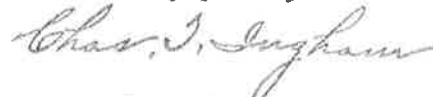
October 21, 1940

My dear Mr. Suter:

This will acknowledge with appreciation your letter of October 19 returning the membership application of Mr. Ambrose Coghill Cramer on which you have obtained the signature of Mr. Rene P. Travelletti as one of the sponsors.

The application is now in due order, and will be presented to The Board of Examiners at its November meeting for consideration and action.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary

Mr. W. Lindsay Suter, Secretary,  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.,  
189 W. Madison Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.  
Office of The Secretary

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
Rec'd OCT 14 1940  
DEPT. ARCHITECTURE.

RECORD OF REGISTRATION

OF

Ambrose Coghill Cramer, Chicago, Ill.  
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,

Address University of Illinois,  
Urbana, Illinois

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 10, 1940.

*Chas. J. Ingham*  
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state?..... YES
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? SENIOR or by exemption?.....
3. What was the scope of the examination? RESPONSIBILITIES OF ARCH - EXHIBITS OF TEN YEARS OF WORK, PRESENTATION OF SOME PROBLEM MET WITH AND HIS SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM. ETHICS & PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE
4. What was the period of the examination?..... 1/2 days. Written examination..... hours; Oral examination..... 2 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 last registration..... JUNE 1940. Registration No. 2833 Is it current? To JUNE 30, 1941  
MAY 16

*L. H. Province*  
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

L. H. Province  
Illinois Architects Examining Committee  
(Name of Board)

Date..... Oct. 19 1940

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
HENRY HORNER, GOVERNOR  
DEPARTMENT OF  
REGISTRATION AND EDUCATION

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DIRECTOR  
LINTON P. BLISS  
ASST. DIRECTOR

LUCIEN A. FILE  
SUPERINTENDENT OF REGISTRATION  
H. J. HEBNER  
ASST. SUPERINTENDENT

SPRINGFIELD

October 16, 1940

IN REPLY REFER TO: Architect Division

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
                          ) SS  
COUNTY OF SANGAMON )

I, Lucien A. File, Superintendent of Registration of the Department of Registration and Education, State of Illinois, hereby certify that the records of the said department show that Registered Architect Certificate No. 2833 was issued to

AMBROSE C. CRAMER

on May 16, 1940, following an oral examination conducted by this department.

The records further show that this certificate is in good standing for the year ending June 30, 1941.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the said Department of Registration and Education at Springfield, Illinois, this Sixteenth day of October 1940.

  
Superintendent  
of Registration

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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November 15, 1940

Dear Mr. Cramer:

The Secretary is happy 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 to membership in the Chicago Chapter, effective on November 15, 1940. You will be a member of that chapter, or of some other chapter if you later transfer thereto, 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 The Secretary's office is at your service to the extent of its powers.

The policies and activities of The Institute are developed largely from problems arising within the chapters. By taking an active part in your chapter affairs you will contribute to the advancement of the objects of The Institute and will increase the benefits to be derived from Institute membership.

Sincerely,



Secretary

Mr. Ambrose Coghill Cramer, A.I.A.  
820 North Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

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*Cramer*

SAMUEL R. LEWIS  
MECHANICAL ENGINEER

S. F. NYDAM  
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C. E. WECHSELBERGER  
H. C. ANDERSON

*Xell*

AMBROSE C. CRAMER  
ARCHITECT  
820 N. MICHIGAN AVE.  
CHICAGO

TELEPHONE SUPERIOR 4456

ARCHITECTURAL OFFICES  
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EQUIPMENT

November 19, 1940

ARCHITECTURAL DEPARTMENT

Mr. Charles T. Ingham, Secretary,  
The American Institute of Architects,  
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Ingham:

May I thank you for and acknowledge the receipt  
of your letter of November 15th, informing me of my ad-  
mission to membership in the American Institute of Archi-  
tects.

Faithfully yours,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*

ACC:hrk

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October 9, 1940

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ARCHITECTURAL DEPARTMENT

*Mr. Cramer*  
American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon  
Washington, D. C.

Re: Well digging Contractors  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Our office is preparing plans for a residence in the rural region near Middleburg, Virginia. It is necessary to drill a well on the premises to supply domestic water. The most reputable well driller in that region appears to have something of a monopoly and charges very high rates.

It would <sup>be</sup> greatly appreciated if you could inform me of the names of any responsible well drilling contractors in Washington, capable of drilling wells for domestic purposes, with whom I could then get in touch.

I should be very greatly obliged to you for this kind service and only venture to ask it because the Chicago Chapter of the Institute some weeks ago approved my application for membership in the Institute.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*

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Airmail, Spe. Del.

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October 11, 1940.

Dear Mr. Cramers

This is the first opportunity to respond to yours of October 9.

We cannot officially recommend contractors of any class.

However, we do enclose a list compiled by a Washington architect which we think may be of some service to you.

The last two firms listed, both underscored in red, are well recommended by others.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer,  
820 N. Michigan Ave.,  
Chicago, Illinois

ECK:LF

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

June 12, 1948

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Director  
The American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer has just written us that he was transferred to the Maine Chapter on April 20th. We have never had any correspondence on this from the Institute and would like to hear from you in this connection.

He gives his new address as Sea Street, Rockport, Maine.

Sincerely yours,

*Chas. D. Faulkner*

Chas. D. Faulkner, Secretary  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.

CDF.p

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.  
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

THE OCTAGON

Inter-Office Communication

*Betty - We do not show this transfer AIA.*

June 15, 1948

Betty:

Please check with Arlowynne to see if their records show this transfer. I have nothing in my files.

If he was not transferred, please write to Mr. Cramer advising all such transfers must be made by AIA and if he will send a request we shall be glad to take care of it. ✓

Send copies to Mr. Faulkner and Secretary of Maine Chapter.

FHG

*Arlowynne - Please check & return Betty.*

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

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*Suspense*

June 16, 1948

Dear Mr. Cramer:

We are in receipt of a letter today from the Secretary of the Chicago Chapter stating that he has received a letter from you to the effect that your membership was transferred to the Maine Chapter on April 20th.

According to our records, we received a letter from you in March of this year asking that we change your address to Sea Street, Rockport, Maine, but this does not constitute a request for transfer of Institute membership, and if you will write to this office requesting such a transfer we shall be glad to take care of it.

Under the regular procedure of The Institute, all transfers are made by The A.I.A. with the approval of both chapters concerned.

Sincerely yours,

For the Executive Director.

K:ekp

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer, A.I.A.  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

cc: Mr. Charles D. Faulkner, Secretary  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.

Mr. Eaton W. Tarbell, Secretary  
Maine Chapter, A.I.A.

*Notes on copies to chapters asking for  
their recommendations.  
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ARCHITECT, A. I. A.  
SEA STREET  
ROCKPORT, MAINE

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 28, 1948.

Mr. E. K. Paulhus,  
The American Institute of Architects,  
1741 New York Ave., N.W.,  
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Mr. Paulhus,-

Thank you for your letter of  
June 16th concerning the transfer of my member-  
ship in the Chicago Chapter to the Maine Chapter.

I greatly regret that there was any im-  
propriety on my part in the transfer. Through a  
regrettable ignorance of our regulations, I  
applied direct to the Maine Chapter, asking if  
the Chapter would consent to my transfer. I  
should, evidently, have made such a request to  
your office.

I will be grateful to you if you will  
accept this letter as such a request. The  
transfer, if acceptable, seems to me desirable  
as I have not lived in Chicago for the past six  
years. From the end of 1942 until the middle of  
last year, I was a member of the State Depart-  
ment in Washington but I did not transfer my mem-  
bership to the Washington Chapter as I was not  
practising architecture. Nine months ago I estab-  
lished my permanent residence here.

Will you kindly advise me if it is  
necessary or desirable that I request the Secretary  
of the Chicago Chapter to concur in my transfer?

Thanking you,

Very truly yours,

*A. C. Cramer*

CC:

Mr. Charles D. Faulkner, Secretary,  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.,  
307 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Mr. Eaton W. Tarbell, Secretary,  
Maine Chapter, A.I.A.,  
84 Harlow St., Bangor.

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*Sample mail changed*

CHICAGO CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

June 21, 1948

Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Director  
The American Institute of Architects  
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

This is to inform you that Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer is in good standing in this Chapter and that it is in order for his transfer to the Maine Chapter to become effective.

Sincerely yours,

*Chas. D. Faulkner*

Chas. D. Faulkner, Secretary  
Chicago Chapter, A.I.A.

CDF.p

• June 28, 1948

• Transfer of Ambrose C. Cramer, A.I.A. from the Chicago Chapter to the Maine Chapter, A.I.A.

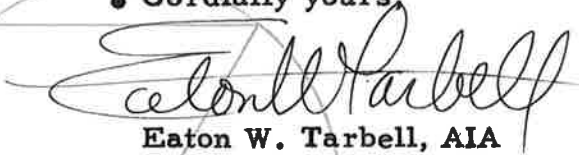
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

• EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR . The American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon , Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir . . . . . In reply to copy of your letter  
to Mr. Cramer June 16th.

This transfer of Mr. Cramer from the Chicago Chapter to  
the Maine Chapter has the approval of the Maine Institute.

• Cordially yours,



Eaton W. Tarbell, AIA

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EATON W. TARBELL & ASSOCIATES  
ARCHITECTS 84 HARLOW STREET BANGOR MAINE

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

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Cramer

June 30, 1948

Dear Mr. Cramer:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 28, requesting that your Institute membership be transferred from the Chicago Chapter to the Maine Chapter. Since writing you on June 16, we have been advised by both chapters that your transfer has been approved.

You have, therefore, been formally transferred from the Chicago Chapter to the Maine Chapter as an Institute member in good standing, effective July 1, 1948.

Both Chapters have been advised.

*Done*  
We suggest that you get in touch with the Secretary of the Maine Chapter concerning the next meeting and other matters of interest.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary.

CWD:ekp

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer, A.I.A.  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

**AMBROSE C. CRAMER**  
Sea Street      Rockport, Maine

January 22, 1954.

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

Dear Sir,-

As I retired some time ago from the practice of architecture and as I find that there is little that I can do in this region to help the AIA, will you kindly accept my resignation as a Member, effective immediately.

Please accept my congratulations on the splendid progress the AIA is making and its great contribution to the profession.

very truly yours,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*

*Miss Lewis*  
*Resignation*  
*Electd*  
*1940*  
*Maine*

*Bom'*  
*ad 17, 1891*  
*1953*  
*62*

*Suspense*

Administration Building  
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

January 27, 1954

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

Dear Mr. Cramer:

We are sorry to learn from yours of January 22nd that you wish to resign your corporate membership in the A.I.A. and the Maine Chapter, inasmuch as you have retired from the practice of architecture.

Each resignation must be approved by the member's chapter as well as The Institute. When the Maine Chapter had advised us of your good standing therein, your resignation can be acted upon and you will be notified.

Your message of congratulations will be most encouraging to The Secretary and Executive Director of The Institute and it is being passed along to them.

I know they would wish to extend all good wishes to you if they knew this letter is being sent to you.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Florence H. Gervais  
Membership and Records

Copy to the Director, New England District, A.I.A.

Secretary, Maine Chapter, A.I.A.

Please let us know if Mr. Cramer is in good standing in the Chapter in order that his resignation may be acted upon.  
Thank you!

FHG



AMBROSE C. CRAMER

*Architect, A. I. A.*

Sea Street

ROCKPORT, MAINE

February 12, 1954.

Miss Florence H. Gervais,  
Membership and Records,  
American Institute of Architects,  
1735 New York Avenue, NW,  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Miss Gervais,-

Thank you for your letter of January 27,  
concerning my resignation from the AIA.

To my considerable embarrassment, certain  
circumstances connected with my practice of  
architecture have quite unexpectedly changed  
and I now wish to withdraw my resignation. I  
am similarly advising the Secretary of the Maine  
Chapter.

Will you kindly therefore send me my  
dues bill.

With apologies,

Sincerely yours.

*Ambrose C. Cramer*



MAINE CHAPTER  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE *of* ARCHITECTS

February 18, 1954

Miss Florence H. Gervais  
Administration Building, A.I.A.  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

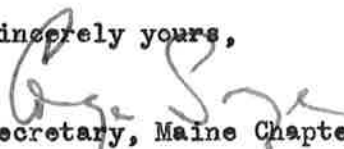
Dear Miss Gervais:

Thank you for sending the Maine Chapter a copy of your letter to Mr. Cramer.

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer is in good standing in this Chapter, according to our records. He has reconsidered his request to resign and will be reinstated at the next meeting of the Chapter.

Therefore, I judge no further action is required by your office until you receive notice that he has been reinstated.

Sincerely yours,

  
Secretary, Maine Chapter A.I.A.

GS: c  
cc: A. Savage  
cc: Mr. Cramer

Arthur R. Savage, President, 283 Water Street, Augusta, Maine  
Philip A. Gatz, Vice-President, 292 Court Street, Auburn, Maine  
George A. Savage, Secretary-Treasurer, Asticou, Northeast Harbor, Maine

member  
Cramer, Ambrose C.

Administration Building  
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

February 25, 1954

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer, A.I.A.  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

Dear Mr. Cramer:

We have received your letter of February 12th with much pleasure  
and satisfaction.

We assure you we shall be happy to file away your former resignation  
and to continue your membership.

The dues statement which you had returned is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Florence H. Gervais  
Membership and Records

Enclosure

Copy to the Director, New England District, A.I.A.

Secretary, Maine Chapter, A.I.A.

If the following certificate applies, your dues are \$35.00 or the amount billed, whichever is the lesser.

I certify that my salary and/or income from architectural practice, teaching or other activity related to architecture or its allied arts during 1955 was less than \$6,000.

Ambrose C. Cramer

Signature

Mr. Ambrose Cramer  
208 Street  
Rockport, Maine

Elected  
1940

I have retired and no longer practice - is there any classification of membership covering retired members?

A.C.C.

July 19, 1956

Pd in full

name  
Chapter

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN TOP PORTION OF INVOICE TO ARCHITECTS ARCHIVES

*Supp  
M. G.*

July 24, 1956

Mr. Ambrose Coghill Cramer, A.I.A.  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

Dear Mr. Cramer:

In response to your long-hand inquiry on the dues statement for your 1956 A.I.A. dues returned with your payment therefor, there is a class of membership in The Institute known as Membership Emeritus, which permits the member to retain all of the rights and privileges of active corporate membership while being exempted from the payment of further dues to The Institute and his Chapter.

Enclosed is a request form for this change in status, and if you find from the conditions set out therein that you are eligible, please sign, fill in the form and return to us.

Upon receipt of such request we shall be glad to give it prompt attention.

Sincerely yours,

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

Copy to the Secretary, Maine Chapter, A.I.A.

Please let us know if Mr. Cramer is in good standing in the Chapter at your early convenience, and oblige

) 8K

AMBROSE C. CRAMER

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ARCHITECT, A.I.A.  
SEA STREET  
ROCKPORT, MAINE

FURNISHINGS  
AND  
EQUIPMENT

July 31, 1956

Miss Florence H. Gervais  
Secretary of Membership and Records  
The American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Miss Gervais:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 24th about the status of my membership in the A. I. A.

I am returning herewith, duly filled out, my application for "Membership Emeritus".

My own architectural firm used to be in Chicago for many years until I closed it permanently in 1942 to enter the government. Since that time I have not practiced architecture for fees and live here at the above address in retirement.

During this time, since 1942, I have maintained my membership in the national institute and, when I moved here in 1948, I had my Chicago chapter membership transferred to the Maine chapter. I am, incidentally, a member of the Maine State Board of Architects (a registration and examining board), by appointment of the Governor of Maine.

The stationery on which I write would appear to indicate that I was in active practice. Such, however, is not the case. I am a Trustee and Executive Vice-President of the Knox County General Hospital at Rockland, Maine, and I am on the Board of a number of other local philanthropic and civic institutions. I do simple architectural work and render advisory services to these institutions gratis. In the execution of such work an architect's letterhead is necessary, particularly in the purchase of equipment. On such purchases I charge no fee. I have thus no income whatsoever from giving architectural advice or from any other similar source.



Miss Florence H. Gervais

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July 31, 1956

As an indication, the Internal Revenue Service states that I am not in business and refuses to allow me to make any deductions from my income tax return even for such expenses as an architectural magazine.

I would think, therefore, that I should be eligible for the "emeritus" classification.

The annual dues of our Maine Chapter are quite low and I would propose to continue them.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*

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JUL 31 1956



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.  
*will be as of Oct. 17, 1956, am*
- b. I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.
- c. I am unable to engage in any gainful vocation.

Write in  
name of  
chapter.

I have been in good standing in The Institute and the *Chicago, Ill. + Mass. chapters*  
for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Respectfully,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*  
Signature

Date

*July 29* 1956

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.



MAINE CHAPTER  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE *of* ARCHITECTS

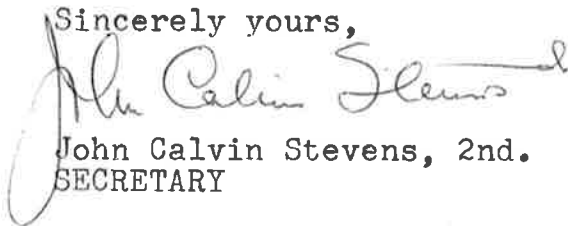
July 26, 1956

Miss Florence H. Gervais, Secretary  
Membership and Records  
American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon  
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Miss Gervais:

This is to inform you that upon checking our records we find Mr. Cramer is in good standing in the Maine Chapter.

Sincerely yours,

  
John Calvin Stevens, 2nd.  
SECRETARY

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*Members  
Chamber, Ambrose C.*

*Fall  
Bd Dir*



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

NOTICE OF ELECTION—MEMBER EMERITUS

TO Mr. Ambrose C. Chamber, A.I.A.  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

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 October 17, 1956 .

Date August 16 19 56.

*Edward L. Wilson*  
Secretary

*Maine Chapter*

*Copy to Mr Eger*

*Members  
Cramer  
P. Cramer  
file*

AMBROSE C. CRAMER

ARCHITECT, A.I.A.

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ROCKPORT, MAINE

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*(Original to Mr. Wilson)*

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September 5, 1956

Mr. Edward L. Wilson, Secretary  
American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Thank you very much for your notice of August 16th, advising me that the Board of Directors of the A. I. A. has conferred upon me the title of "Member Emeritus", as of October 17, 1956.

Very truly yours,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*

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AMBROSE C. CRAMER  
ARCHITECT, A. I. A.  
SEA STREET  
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October 24, 1963

Mr. Clinton Gamble, Secretary, AIA  
Membership Department  
The Octagon  
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington 6, D.C.

Re: Status of My AIA Membership

Dear Mr. Gamble:

In November, 1940, I was elected to the AIA and joined its Chicago, Illinois, Chapter. I have remained a member ever since and sometime in 1948, as I remember, or thereabouts, my membership was transferred to the Maine Chapter, as I had moved my residence from Illinois to Rockport, Maine.

My birthday date is October 17, 1891, and I am therefore 72 years old.

There seems to be some question in our Maine Chapter as to my status of membership. Some time ago, from some source, I learned that I was classified on my 70th birthday as "Emeritus", and therefore exempt from paying the National Chapter dues. The doubt in the mind of the Secretary of the local Chapter is whether I was so declared by the national headquarters or by the local Chapter which he believes had no authority in the matter. The question arose because I felt I would like to continue paying dues to the local Chapter as their membership is not large and the treasury accordingly is not very rich - but this I would do purely as a personal matter and not to be qualified as an active member.

Could you be good enough to tell me what my true present status is, both as to chapter and as to the national office?

Thanking you,

Very truly yours,

*Ambrose C. Cramer*

ACC:d

OCT 28 1963

*m. E.  
elected Oct. 17, 1956*

*m*  
Cramer, Ambrose C.

FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

October 28, 1963



Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer, A.I.A.  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

Dear Mr. Cramer:

This is in response to your letter dated October 24, 1963,  
addressed to Mr. Clinton Gamble.

According to our records, you were elected Member Emeritus  
effective October 17, 1956, which exempted you from further  
payment of Institute and Chapter dues while it permits you  
to retain all the rights and privileges of active corporate  
membership.

Trusting this is the information you desire.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Florence M. Gervais  
Manager, Membership Procedures

FHG/pwg

cc: Mr. Robert E. Wright, Secretary-Treasurer, Maine Chapter, AIA



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*Cramer, Ambrose C*

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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January 24, 1963

Mr. Ambrose C. Cramer  
Sea Street  
Rockport, Maine

Dear Mr. Cramer:

The Institute Board and Officers are most grateful for the time and energy you have put into the Committee on Preservation for Historic Buildings.

Unlike most professional societies, The Institute depends upon its committee members, their inspiration, judgment, and achievement, to carry forward our aims for the continued welfare of the profession and the public.

The debt owed you committeemen is one that cannot be repaid; it can only be acknowledged with an expression of the deepest gratitude of us all.

Sincerely,

Henry L. Wright

HLW:nlm  
cc: Director Lawrence

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Cramer, Ambrose  
Coghill*

TELEPHONE:  
CAMDEN, MAINE  
236-3003  
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AMBROSE C. CRAMER  
ARCHITECT, AIA  
SEA STREET  
ROCKPORT, MAINE

*Copy for Ms. Wright.*

November 7, 1963

Autobiography

Ambrose Coghill Cramer - *Deceased 11/1/70*

Residence, Sea St., Rockport, Me.

Born in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17, 1891

Yale, A. B., 1913 (including one year's course in History of Architecture)

Apprentice in architectural office of Henry Dangler (cousin) and David  
Adler, Chicago, 1915 - early 1916

Ensign to Lieutenant, U.S. Naval Reserve Force, in charge of construction of  
emergency addition to Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill.,  
for 80,000 men, 1916-1917; 1917-1919, Public Works Officer, General Staff,  
U. S. Naval Aviation Forces in France, in charge of construction of 20 Naval

FRANCE

Aviation anti-submarine bases in Paris; last half of 1919, Secretary, Paris  
Naval Board on Claims, appointed by Ass't Sec'y of Navy, Franklin D. Roosevelt;  
1919, decorated by French Government as Chevalier of Legion of Honor (youngest  
officer in U. S. Navy so decorated).

Architectural work in office of Dangler & Adler, Architects, Chicago, last half  
1920-1921.

Student of Architecture, Ecole des Beaux Arts, Paris, France, 1922-1926.

Own architectural firm, Chicago, 1927-1942 (large residences, country estates,  
2 hospitals, schools, specialized laboratory and office buildings, etc.

(first windowless office building in U.S., in Industrial District, Chicago;  
1927, collaborated with David Adler on Crane Mansion, "Castle Hill", Ipswich,  
Mass., \$1,500,000.

Married Mary Meeker, Chicago, 1929; 2 sons.

Elected to AIA as a Corporate Member, Chicago Chapter, 1940.

Entered Lend-Lease Administration (Dep't of State), Washington, D.C., Deputy  
Director, Lend-Lease Aid to British Empire, 1942-1944; 1945-1947, full Director  
of 40 billion dollar program for British Empire.

After World War II, moved to Rockport, Maine, where I practice architecture in  
semi-retirement (restricted to charitable work for civic and philanthropic  
institutions).

In 1948 transferred my AIA membership from Chicago, Illinois, Chapter to Maine  
Chapter.

Have belonged to and resigned from (due to changes in residence) the following  
Clubs:

- Cercle Inter-Allie', Paris, France
- Golf Club de Fontainebleau, Fontainebleau, France
- University Club of Chicago
- Arts Club of Chicago (Director, near end of membership)
- Chicago Club
- Uptown Club of Chicago
- Saddle & Cycle Club of Chicago
- Shoresacres Country Club, Lake Bluff, Ill.
- Onwentsia Country Club, Lake Forest, Ill.
- 1925 F Street Club, Washington, D.C.
- Metropolitan Club, Washington, D.C.
- Eastern Yacht Club, Marblehead, Mass.
- Corinthian Yacht Club, Marblehead, Mass.
- Salem Country Club, Salem, Mass.

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Currently belong to:

Cumberland Club, Portland, Maine  
Camden Yacht Club, Camden, Me. (having been Rear Commodore, Vice  
Commodore and Commodore)  
Megunticook Golf Club, Camden, Me. (Governor)  
Rockport Boat Club, Rockport, Maine (one of two founders).

Have served the following institutions in varying capacities, from 3 to 8 or 10  
years before resigning after completing programs:

Member and Sec'y, Maine State Board for Registration of Architects  
Knox County Civil Defense Forces, County Director  
Camden Community Hospital, Trustee and Special Ass't to the President  
Knox County General Hospital, Rockland, Maine, Trustee, Secretary,  
Chairman of Bldg. Committee, Executive Vice-President  
Town of Rockport, Chairman of Recreation & Development Committee  
(developed Walker Recreation Park and Beach); member, Budget Comm.  
Penobscot Marine Museum, Searsport, Me., Trustee, Chairman of Bldg.  
Committee, Executive Vice-President  
Knox Memorial Assoc., Thomaston, Me., Trustee and Curator of "Montpelier"  
(General Henry Knox Mansion)  
Camden Historical Society, Camden, Me., Trustee and Chairman of Bldg.  
Committee  
Camden-Rockport United Charities, Trustee and Vice-President  
Camden-Rockport Chamber of Commerce  
Preservation Officer for Historic Bldgs., Maine Chapter, AIA, Liaison  
Officer with National Park Service's Historic American Bldgs. Survey  
Programs in Maine, 1960 & 1962; raised over \$5,000 from\*\*  
Member and Architectural Consultant, on Advisory Committee on Historic  
Sites to State Park Commission  
President (and Founder), Maine League of Historical Societies and  
Museums; (see attached letterhead) will eventually comprise ca. 75 Societies

Member of many Historical and Preservation Societies, such as:

Society for Preservation of New England Antiquities (Boston)  
Friends of Fort Western (Augusta)  
Lincoln County Cultural & Historical Society, Wiscasset, Me. (member  
and consultant)  
Old Sturbridge Village (Sturbridge, Mass.)  
Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Conn.  
Friends of Farnsworth Museum, Rockland, Me.  
National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C.  
American Assoc. for State & Local History, Madison, Wis., and Chairman  
of its Maine Committee on Awards of Merit  
Belfast (Me.) Historical Society  
Chicago (Ill.) Historical Society  
Maine Historical Society, Portland, Me., Liaison Committee  
~~Liaison Com.~~, New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord  
Phippsburg Historical Society, Phippsburg, Me.  
Society of Architectural Historians  
American Assoc. of Museums, Washington, D.C.  
Art Institute of Chicago (Governor)  
Peabody Museum, Salem, Mass.

\*\*volunteers, to supplement HABS appropriation, permitting  
extensive photography & photogrammetry. In 1963, raised  
\$500 for Chicago HABS program, to assist Earl H. Reed, FAIA,  
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On October 17, 1961 was elected a Member Emeritus by the National Board of the American Institute of Architects.

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