

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 493

Dated August 30, 1939.
Received November 27, 1939.
Granted January 15, 1940.

Paul Albert Thiry
elected a corporate member of The American Institute of Architects and assigned to membership in the Washington State Chapter, effective January 15, 1940.

MEMBERSHIP NO 493

Chas. J. Ingman Secretary

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

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In due order
December 26, 1939
H. Gerovisi

- A. Name of applicant Paul Albert Thiry..... Chapter Washington State..
- B. Address of applicant 338 Skinner Building, Seattle, Wash.....
- C. Applicant proposed by W. J. Bain..... and ... Floyd A. Naramore.....
- D. Application received with check for \$ 25.00..... on..... November 27, 1939.
- E. Application returned for correction..(2 endorsers)..... November 28, 1939.
" Rec'd. December 26, 39
- F. Application in due order on..... December 26, 1939 .
- 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, proposers, and chapter on..... December 26, 1939 .
- I. Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~to the application has been~~ received on..... November 27, 1939.
- J. No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K. Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... January 9, 19 40.
- L. The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... January 9, 19 40.
- M. Applicant was admitted on..... January 15, 19 40
- N. Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter and letter to proposers on..... January 15, 19 40
- O. Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$... returned to applicant on..... 19 .
- P. Questionnaire, in re: Registration in Wash. on Nov. 28, 1939. Rec'd 12/11/39

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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.

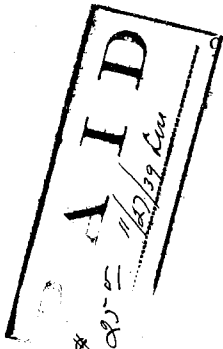
1. My full name is **Paul Albert Thiry** .
2. I am a **Natural** citizen of **United States of America** .
2. State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.
3. My legal residence is in the City of **Seattle** ,
County of **King** State of **Washington** .
3. State whether residence or office address.
4. My address in The Institute records will be
Street **338 Skinner Building**
City **Seattle** , State **Washington** .
4. State whether residence or office address.
5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as **Practicing Architect** .
5. State whether as a practicing architect, a teacher, a public official, etc.
6. I desire to be a member of the **Washington at Seattle** 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.

I enclose my check for \$ _____, 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 **August 30th.** 19 **39** .

Paul Albert Thiry

Sign full name in ink



STATISTICS

10. Date of birth **Sept 11-1904**. Place of birth **Nome, Alaska.**

11. I am registered or licensed to practice architecture as follows:
States *Registration or license numbers*
Washington.....License--L 110.

EDUCATION

12. I attended the following schools:

- (a) High School *(c), (d), (e) Write in initials of degree.*
- (b) Private School **St. Martin's** *Name of School* **Lacey** *City* **Washington** *State* **1920** *Graduation year*
- (c) College or University **University of Washington** *Graduation Year* **for 4-1/2 years.**
- (d) College or University **Ecole des Beaux Arts.** *Graduation Year* **1927.** **Fontainebleau, France.** *Degree* **for** *years.* **Summer** **Diplome.** *Degree*
- (e) Post-graduate at *for* *years.* *Degree*

13. I held the following named scholarships:

- (a) *Year*
- (b) *Year*

14. I have traveled in the following countries:

- in **France 1909.** **France, Switzerland, Italy,** *Year* **1927.**
Tangiers, Gibraltar, Azores.....
- in **Japan, China, Hong Kong, Philippines, Sumatra, Straits-** *Year* **1934.**
Settlements, Ceylon, India, Egypt, Italy.....
- in **Austria, Germany, France, Belgium, England, Cuba,** *Year* **1935.**
Panama..... **Mexico.....** **1937.**

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>
Junior	April-June	1927.	John Graham	Seattle.
"	Aug.-	Jan. 1928.	" "	"
"	Jan.-	Dec. 1929.	Henry Bittman	"

Write in Classification Column the word Student, Junior, or Senior, to indicate your classification as draftsman in each case.

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>
Washington.	Dec. 1929	April 1934.	
Washington.	July 1935	to present.	Paul Thiry & Alban A. Shay.

If your practice was individual do not write in the last column to the right.

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>
Washington.	Apr.-June	1928	Univ. of Wash.	Student Assistant.

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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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>
Lake-crest Apts.	Seattle	Washington.
Castle-wood. "	"	"
St. Anthony Church.	"	"
Assumption "	"	"
St. Edward's "	Shelton	"
Chapel House of Good Shepherd.	Seattle	" <i>Exhibits required.</i>
Diocese Center.	"	"
Forty & Eight Club Quarters.	"	"
Blanc's Rathskeller.	"	"
Residence George F. Kachlein.	"	"
" Dr. Loren Shroat.	"	"
" Harry B. Jones.	"	"
McCool Rebahn Shop.	"	"
Drew-English Shop.	"	"

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>
Junior Chamber of Commerce (Charter Member)	Seattle	Washington

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

- | | <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 | <i>State</i> | <i>from</i> | <i>to</i> |
| 27. I have held offices in the architectural organizations listed below: | | | <i>Year</i> |
| <i>Office</i> | | <i>Architectural Organization</i> | |
| President | | Tau Sigma Delta. | 1928. |
| President | | Poche Club. | 1929. |
| 28. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its chapters or state association members. | | | |
| <i>(If there are exceptions, state details)</i> | | | |

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

Signed *Saul Albert Shing*
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 12 years.

Signed *[Signature]* *Proposer* Signed *[Signature]* *Proposer*

W. J. Bain, AIA, 314 Textile Tower, Seattle Wash
Proposer

Raymond [unclear], FAIA, 514 Central Bldg
Proposer. 6. Seattle

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November 22, 1939

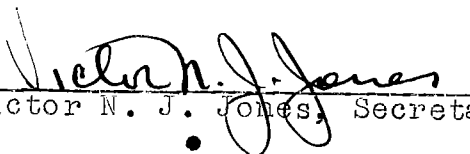
Mr. Edward C. Kemper, A. I. A.
 Executive Secretary
 THE OCTAGON
 1741 New York Avenue
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Enclosed please find the application for
 Institute Membership of Paul Thiry.

The Executive Board moved that favorable con-
 sideration be given to this application.

Very truly yours,


 Victor N. J. Jones, Secretary



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

RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF

Paul Albert Thiry, Seattle, Wash.
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Address Olympia, Washington

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 November 28, 1939.

W. J. Ingraham
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? Design - History - Specifications
Heating - Plumbing - Ventilation - Structural Engineering
Experience
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? No record If so, give Certificate No.....
6. Date of last registration June 6, 1939 Registration No. 42460 Is it current? Yes

D. S. Cole X
(Signature of Secretary of Board) Director

Date December 4, 1939

Department of Licenses, State of Washington
(Name of Board)

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

COPY

Copy to the Director,
Western Mountain District, A.I.A.

November 28, 1939

Dear Mr. Jones:

We are in receipt of your letter of November 22nd, transmitting the application of Mr. Paul A. Thiry for corporate membership in The Institute and the Washington State Chapter, with check for \$25.00 and photographs of his work.

The application is in proper form; however, it is signed by Messrs. J. Lister Holmes and Arthur P. Herrman, as proposers, and as both of these members are still indebted for Institute dues for the year 1939 their memberships are not in good standing. In accordance with the established procedure, 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. Thiry, for the purpose of obtaining other signatures in lieu of those of Messrs. Holmes and Herrman - if you can do so consistently.

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

Sincerely yours,


Secretary

Mr. Victor N. J. Jones, Secretary,
Washington State Chapter, A.I.A.,
504 Republic Building,
Seattle, Washington.

CTI/g-Enclosure

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December 19, 1939

Mr. Chas. T. Ingham, Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
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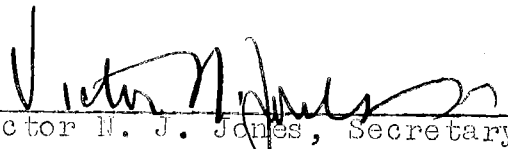
Dear Mr. Ingham:

Re: Application of
Paul A. Thiry

In accordance with your letter of
November 28, I have had the application
of Paul A. Thiry properly endorsed. It
is now signed by Mr. W. J. Bain and Mr.
Floyd A. Naramore as proposers.

We trust that everything is now in order
on this application.

Sincerely,


Victor N. J. Jones, Secretary

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

COPY

January 15, 1940

Dear Mr. Thiry:

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 Washington state chapter, effective January 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 the 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.

We bespeak your active cooperation.

Sincerely,

Chas. J. Ingham
Secretary

Mr. Paul Albert Thiry, A.I.A.
338 Skinner Building
Seattle, Washington

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DECKER & CHRISTENSON, A.I.A.

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WALDO B. CHRISTENSON A.I.A.
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A R C H I T E C T S
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MAIN 0393 SEATTLE 1, WASHINGTON

October 31, 1950

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

Attention: Florence H. Gervais,
Secretary to the Jury of Fellows

Dear Madam:

Enclosed are nominations for Fellowship in the Institute of Paul Thiry and Arthur P. Herrman. These nominations are made by members of the Chapters in this region. Accompanying the applications are letters from the Secretary of the Institute testifying to their good standing for the past ten years,

In the case of Mr. Thiry's nomination, a brochure, portraying the works listed on Page 3 of the nomination, will be forwarded well in advance of the Jury's meeting.

In case you find any of the signature illegible, we would be pleased to furnish you a typed list of the signatures as we have retained a copy of each nomination.

Very truly yours,

DECKER & CHRISTENSON, A.I.A.,
Architects

by 
WALDO B. CHRISTENSON

WBC:h
Encl. 2

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

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COPY
Thiry

January 26, 1951

Dear Mr. Christenson:

With your letter of October 31st you forwarded the nomination to advance Mr. Paul Thiry, A.I.A., to fellowship in The Institute.

You indicated that Mr. Thiry's nomination would be supported by exhibits of his executed work which would come forward in due course.

This letter is to call the matter to your attention, and to advise that the exhibits should be received at The Institute headquarters by February 15th, as The Jury of Fellows will hold its meeting early in March.

Supporting letters may be received at any time up to the meeting date.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. Waldo B. Christenson, A.I.A.
1411 Fourth Avenue Building
Seattle 1, Washington

DECKER & CHRISTENSON, A.I.A.

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1411 FOURTH AVENUE BUILDING
MAIN 0393 SEATTLE 1, WASHINGTON

February 13, 1951

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

Att: Florence H. Gervais
Secretary to the Jury of Fellows:

Dear Miss Gervais,

A photographic exhibit of the work of Paul Thiry,
A.I.A. supporting his fellowship nomination, has been
forwarded to you by Railway Express. This exhibit
should reach you by Friday, February 16.

We regret we were unable to forward this sooner,
but hop it is in time.

Very truly yours,

DECKER & CHRISTENSON, A.I.A.
Architect

by Waldo B. Christenson
Waldo B. Christenson (3)

WBC:f

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

COPY

February 21, 1951

Dear Mr. Christenson:

Your letter of February 13th was received promptly; and yesterday, we received the package of exhibits in support of the nomination to advance Mr. Paul Thiry, A.I.A., to fellowship.

Mr. Thiry's nomination is now complete and will be presented to The Jury of Fellows at its meeting early in March for consideration.

By direction of the Chairman.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. Waldo B. Christenson, A.I.A.
1411 Fourth Avenue Building
Seattle 1, Washington

(Mailed Oct. 31) Received Nov. 2, 1950



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
JURY OF FELLOWS

Voted On 19 .
Voted On 19 .
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Granted 19 .

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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

- 1. Name of Nominee Paul Thiry Date of Nomination Oct. 27, 1950
- 2. Address of Nominee 800 Columbia Street, Seattle 4, Washington
- 3. Nominee's firm Paul Thiry, Architect
- 4. Nominee's principal place of business Seattle, Washington
- 5. Nominee's Chapter Washington State Chapter, A.I.A.
- 6. Nominee's State Association Member
- 7. Nominee admitted to Institute 1940 19 .
- 8. Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from 1940 ~~19~~ to Dec. 31, 1950
- 9. Nominee's age 46 Birthplace Nome, Alaska
- 10. Nominators: Glenn Stanton, F.A.I.A. Irving G. Smith, A.I.A.
William J. Fox, Jr., A.I.A. Charles T. Pearson, A.I.A.
Bliss M. Moore, Jr., A.I.A. Perry B. Johanson, A.I.A.
James J. Chiarelli, A.I.A. John T. Jacobsen, A.I.A.
Clyde Grainger, A.I.A. B. Marcus Priteca, A.I.A.
Edward E. Sands, A.I.A. Ralf E. Decker, A.I.A.
Waldo B. Christensen, A.I.A.

11. Achievement in Design

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NO NF 364

(Nominators leave blank)

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Mailed Oct 21 1950



WASHINGTON, D. C.
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP
BY
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

THE JURY OF FELLOWS
The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue,
Washington 6, D. C.

Date Oct. 27 1950 Use typewriter
except for signa-
tures.

We hereby nominate PAUL THIRY
member of The Washington State
for fellowship in The Institute for his notable contribution to the advancement of the profession by his
achievements in *design, *the science of construction, *literature, *education, *service to The Institute,
*public service.

Chapter, Type in full name
of nominee.
Type in name of
Chapter.

*Strike out all
inappropriate
words.

Evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship is appended.

**Members' Signatures

Chapter of Signer

**The signatures
of five fellows of
the nominee's
chapter or of state
association mem-
ber to which he
belongs; or of
any ten corporate
members will con-
stitute a nomi-
nation. If you
are a Fellow place
the initials
F.A.I.A. after
your name.

Henry Stanton F.A.I.A.

Oregon

Loring L. Smith A.I.A.

Oregon

William J. Fay A.I.A.

Montana

Charles B. Pearson A.I.A.

Washington St.

Blair M. ... A.I.A.

Washington State

Perry B. Johnson A.I.A.

Washington State

James Cleavelle

Washington State

John T. Jacobsen

Wash. State

Dylan Franigan

Wash. State

... A.I.A.

Wash State

Edward Exands

Washington State

Ralf E. Decker - A.I.A.

WASHINGTON STATE

Wesley B. Christerson, A.I.A.

Washington State

THE NOMINATORS SHOULD SEE THAT LETTERS OR DATA ARE SENT
TO THE JURY OF FELLOWS IN SUPPORT OF THIS NOMINATION.

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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

1. Nominee's full name PAUL THIRY
2. Nominee is a natural ~~naturalized~~ citizen of United States
3. Nominee's legal residence 330 - 35th North, Seattle, Washington
4. Nominee's firm name PAUL THIRY, Architect
5. Nominee's principal place of business, address 800 Columbia Street,
Seattle 4, Washington

2. Strike out in-
appropriate word
and write in name
of Country.

6. Type in "N.C.
A. R. B." or
name of State
Board, as case
may be.

7. Strike out in-
appropriate
words.

8. Type in date
of birth and city
and Country.

6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by State of Washington,
California, Utah.
Registered with N.C.A.R.B.
7. Nominee is engaged in practice of architecture as a practicing architect—~~teacher in architecture—
teacher in science of construction—public official—retired.~~
8. Born Sept. 11, 1904 . Place of birth Nome, Alaska

9. Nominee's schools, colleges and universities:

	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
High School				
Private School	St, Martins Lacey, Wash.	4	1920	High School Diploma
College or University	University of Wash. -Seattle	4	1928	Bachelor of Architecture
College or University				
Post Graduate at	Ecole des Beaux Arts, Fontainebleau, France	2	1927	Diploma of French Government
Scholarships held				

10. Other data concerning nominee's record.

Has traveled widely including three trips to Europe and one trip around world
visiting principal countries.

In private practice since 1929 as a principal in design and supervision of
construction covering all classes of structures, including industrial,
commercial, residential, group housing, educational, religious, medical &
public buildings.

Is a member of the following professional societies:
American Society of Planning Officials
American Institute of Planners
American Civic & Planning Association
Society of Architectural Historians
Pacific Northwest Academy of Arts

Decorated by French Government, 1950, as Officier d'Academie Francaise
with Palmes.

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

1. Works

Type (a) Commercial (b) Monumental (c) Domestic (d) Special	Identification of Work	Location of Work		Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
		(City)	(State)		
(c) Domestic	Burnside Residence	Seattle,	Washington	1932	
(c) Domestic	Thiry Residence	Seattle,	Washington	1936	
(c) Domestic	Kerry Residence	Seattle,	Washington	1939	
(c) Domestic	Van Dyke Residence	Seattle,	Washington	1942	
(c) Domestic	Laucks Residence	Seattle,	Washington	1945	
(c) Domestic	Alhadeff Residence	Seattle,	Washington	1949	
(d) Special	Our Lady of the Lake Church & School	Seattle,	Washington	1940-49	
(d) Special	Aerial Photo, Housing	Port Orachrd,	Wash.	1944	
(d) Special	U.S. Navy Advance Base Depot	Tacoma,	Washington	1944	
(d) Special	Elec. Engineering Bldg. U. of Wash.	Seattle,	Washington	1947	
(a) Commercial	Martin & Eckmann	Seattle,	Washington	1949	
(d) Special	Church of Christ the King	Seattle,	Washington	1949	
(d) Special	Model - Women's Dormi- tory, Washington State College	Pullman,	Washington	1950	
(b) Monumental	Sketch-Hist. Soc. Mus	Seattle,	Washington	1950	
(b) Monumental	Frye Art Gallery	Seattle,	Washington	1950	

A brochure portraying these works will be submitted at a later date.

Under column headed "Type" type in (a), (b), (c), or (d), as the case may be.

Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. Describe nominee's notable work in design, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

Mr. Thiry has contributed to the Architectural quality of this generation with dignity and distinction and his professional pride is the mark of a real creator. His capabilities in solving the utilitarian aspects of Architectural problems has materially advanced the cause of contemporary Architecture in this region. His clear thinking and straightforward planning have created new variations and solutions with local patterns. His design expresses a grace and subtlety seldom found. The unrestricted approach to design which Mr. Thiry employs has enriched and faithfully expressed the individualism of his Architecture. His work acquires a truly human significance and shows faith in contemporary methods of construction. The impeccable scale, excellent planning, fine taste, and careful selection of materials and color cause Mr. Thiry's work to be an outstanding contribution to the Architecture of this generation.

We, as Nominators, believe his signal achievements to be worthy of his advancement to Fellowship and believe the best interests of the profession and contemporary design would be served by this honor.

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

1. CONSTRUCTION WORK

<i>Type of Work Constructed</i>	<i>Identification of Work</i>	<i>Location of Work</i>	<i>Completed Construction Work (Year)</i>	<i>Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted</i>
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Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. BOOKS, TREATISES, OR ARTICLES WRITTEN

<i>Subject Title</i>	<i>Where Published</i>	<i>Date Published</i>
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3. Describe nominee's notable work in the science of construction and any recognition thereof by other societies, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

The photographs submitted in behalf of the Nominee's application in Achievement in Architectural Design show an expertness in the selection and use of materials above average. Mr. Thiry constantly attempts to use materials in their purest form, truthfully expressing their inherent qualities. His construction methods combined with careful material selections have contributed to the success and practicability of his designs. The Electrical Engineering Building at the University of Washington expresses the art of design combined with economical construction, producing a durable and safe building of great merit. We, as Nominators, believe he has contributed in a notable manner to the advancement of the science of construction.

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

1. EDUCATION WORK

(List the degrees and the educational positions held by the nominee, and bring out clearly the nominee's signal work and its particular force and influence which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by pupils, the profession, other societies, or the public.)

2. LITERARY WORK

(List the original written works of the nominee and state clearly the particular force and influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by other societies, the profession, educational institutions or the public.)

<i>Book, Treatise or Article</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Name of Book or Periodical Containing Work</i>	<i>Year Work Published</i>
Book on Churches being prepared			publication in the year 1951
This publication which is being prepared in collaboration with Mr. Richard Bennett and Mr. Henry Kamphoefner promises to be a noteworthy contribution to literature on Church Architecture. Mr. Thiry has traveled throughout the United States securing material and information for his part in this book and illustrations and descriptions of his own Church Architecture will contribute toward the publication.			

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

1. State fully the nominee's signal service to The Institute, his chapter, or his state organization, or to the profession, which the nominators believe has notably contributed to the advancement of the profession, and list the offices in architectural organizations occupied by the nominee and the period of each.

Mr. Thiry has served faithfully on the Institute Committee of Allied Arts from 1947 to 49, and is currently on the Committee of Education. He has served as Chairman on various major Committees of the Washington State Chapter and is currently Vice-President of the Chapter. Mr Thiry is active in all Chapter affairs and, since his election to Membership, has earnestly and diligently contributed toward the progress of this Chapter. His activities and work in behalf of the Chapter are appreciated by his Nominees.

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE

1. List the public offices held by the nominee and the positions of trust held by him in recognition of civic leadership, and state clearly his notable work in public service and the particular influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession.

Paul Thiry's work has been exhibited in the Office of War Information in Europe, the Architectural League of New York, Pan-American Congress of Architects, American Institute of Architects, Washington D.C., the Vatican, Rome, University of Minnesota, Museum of Modern Art and Brooklyn Museum. By virtue of these exhibits, he has contributed in a major way toward the dissemination of knowledge for the cause of contemporary Architecture. Mr. Thiry has lectured at the University of Washington, University of Houston, Seattle Art Museum, Women's University Club and British Columbia Society of Architects. Through these lectures, he has again contributed in a major way towards increasing the public's appreciation of good Architecture and thereby rendering a distinct public service.

In civic affairs of the City of Seattle and the State of Washington Mr. Thiry is constantly striving to improve conditions and increase the public's knowledge of Architecture.

We, Mr. Thiry's Nominators, believe the impact of his expressions to the public have contributed in a major way toward a fuller appreciation of good Architecture throughout our region.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Thiry

March 14, 1951

Dear Mr. Thiry:

The American Institute of Architects desires to confer upon you the honor of Fellowship, in accord with the action of The Jury of Fellows at its recent meeting.

The purpose of this letter is to request your presence at the 1951 Convention of The Institute to be held in Chicago, Illinois, on May 8-11, 1951, in the Edgewater Beach Hotel.

At the formal dinner of the Convention on the evening of Thursday, May 10, those who have been elected to Fellowship will receive their certificates. Presentation will be with appropriate ceremony and it is highly important that each of the newly-elected Fellows be present. The Officers of The Institute and The Jury of Fellows join in the request that you come to receive this honor in person.

Your Chapter has been notified and has been requested to make no public announcement until after the Convention in May.

Please send your response to The Institute at an early convenient date.

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

Mr. Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A.
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

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PAUL THIRY, ARCHITECT

MEMBER AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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March 21
1951

Edmund R. Purves, Executive Director
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Re: A.I.A. Fellowship

Dear Mr. Purves:

Thank you for your letter of March 14.

I will plan to be in Chicago for the Convention May 8
to 11, 1951.

Sincerely

Paul Thiry

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 14, 1951

My dear Mr. Thiry:

At the recent meeting of The Jury of Fellows, your nomination for advancement to Fellowship was considered, and I have the honor to inform you, in behalf of the Jury, that you were advanced to Fellowship for achievement in Design.

This year, the Convention has asked that there be an exhibition of the work of the newly-elected Fellows, and to that end the Jury has had to make as comprehensive, yet as small a selection of your exhibits as possible for this occasion.

Under separate cover we are returning your photographic exhibits and we are asking that you have the photographs which we have selected and marked with a pink sticker enlarged to conform with the instructions enclosed.

These should be sent to

A.I.A. Fellowship Exhibit
Department of Architecture
University of Illinois
Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois

to be delivered by April 25, 1951.

We should like you to keep this information confidential.

Cordially yours,

H. Deland Chandler
Chairman, The Jury of Fellows

Mr. Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A.
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

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Enclosure

Photographs Selected for Exhibit:

1. Church of Our Lady of the Lake - Interior
2. Residence, Paul Thiry - Interior
3. Elec. Eng. Bldg., University of Wash. - Interior Stair
4. " " " " " " - Exterior
5. Church of Christ the King, Seattle - Interior
6. " " " " " " - Exterior

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PAUL THIRY, ARCHITECT

April 16, 1951

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

Re: A.I.A.
Fellowship Exhibit

Attention: H. Daland Chandler
Chairman, The Jury of Fellows

Dear Mr. Chandler:

Thank you for your letter of March 14.

In accordance with your request I have forwarded to Chicago six
mounts, size 18" x 24", of the following subjects:

1. Church of Our Lady of the Lake - Interior
2. Residence, Paul Thiry - Interior
3. Elec. Eng. Bldg., Univ. of Wash. - Interior Stair
4. " " " " " " - Exterior
5. Church of Christ the King - Interior
6. " " " " " " - Exterior

I trust these will arrive in good order and that they will meet
with your approval.

If I can help in any way please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Best regards,

(S) PAUL THIRY

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900 Columbia Street - Seattle 4, Washington

Thiry, Paul

THIRY, PAUL, F.A.I.A., Seattle, Washington

Paul Thiry has been advanced to Fellowship for achievement in design. Decorated by the French Government in 1950 as an Officier d'Academie Frangaise with Palms, Thiry is a leading exponent of modern architecture in his native northwest, and through the excellence of his work on all types of buildings has materially advanced and influenced the standards of contemporary design in the region. He has pioneered in the field of ecclesiastical architecture and his churches of Our Lady of the Lake and Christ the King, both in Seattle, are among the few in the country designed in a straight forward contemporary style.

Born in Nome, Alaska in 1904, Thiry attended St. Martins School in Lacey, Washington, and the University of Washington, from which he received a B.Arch. in 1928. He studied for two years at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Fontainebleau and has traveled extensively. In private practice since 1929, he maintains his own office at 800 Columbia Street, Seattle.

His practice includes the design and supervision of construction covering all classes of structures - industrial, commercial, residential, educational, group housing, religious, medical and public buildings. His creative design, his expertness in selection and use of materials, good taste capabilities in solving utilitarian aspects of architectural problems, and his clear thinking and forthright planning, have all contributed to the general high calibre of his work. Examples include: Electrical Engineering building, University of Washington, 1947; housing project, Port Orchard, 1944; U.S. Navy Advance Base Depot, Tacoma, 1944; Women's Dormitory, State College, Pullman, 1950; Martin and Eckmann, Seattle, 1949; Museum, Seattle, 1950; Frye Art Gallery, Seattle, 1950; and numerous Seattle residences.

Thiry has been a member of the A.I.A. since 1940, served on the Institute's allied arts committee from 1947 to 1949, and is currently on the education committee. He is vice-president of the Washington State Chapter and has headed various Chapter committees. Other organizations to which he belongs are: American Society of Planning Officials, American Institute of Planners, American Civic and Planning Association, Society of Architectural Historians, Pacific Northwest Academy of Arts.

He has lectured at the University of Washington, University of Houston, Seattle Art Museum, Women's University Club and British Columbia Society of Architects. In collaboration with Richard Bennett and Henry Kamphoefner, he is at present working on a book on church architecture due for publication this year.

Photographs of Thiry's work have been exhibited by the U.S. Office of War Information, the Architectural League of New York, Pan-American Congress of Architects, American Institute of Architects, the Vatican, the University of Minnesota, the Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Brooklyn Museum. Several illustrated articles on his work have appeared in architectural journals.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Thiry

April 18, 1952

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Enclosed herewith is the original of a letter from Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A., of Seattle, Washington, concerning the payment of life membership dues.

As you know, this is now in the amount of \$500.00 which represents no change over the past many years, despite the fact that dues themselves have increased considerably. At the former rate, a payment of \$500.00 amounted to twenty years dues. Currently, and if The Board should take full advantage of its prerogatives to raise the dues to \$50.00, it could amount to as little as the payment of ten years dues.

Obviously, I am writing to suggest to you that you might wish to bring the subject before the Board of Directors for possible amendment of the By-Laws, although that could not be done at this Convention unless unanimous consent were obtained to bring the matter before the floor. Unanimous consent however is not a impossibility since it does not imply approval of the subject matter but merely the right to discuss it. I recall having seen the Convention give this unanimous consent previously without any question at all.

Mr. Thiry is quite correct in that he must pay this year's dues in any event.

With best regards.

Yours very truly,



J. W. Rankin
Administrative Secretary

Mr. Maurice J. Sullivan
Treasurer, A.I.A.
3901 Travis
Houston 6, Texas

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Encl.

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PAUL THIRY, F.A.I.A.
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

April 7, 1952

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

Attention: Maurice J. Sullivan, Treasurer

Dear Sir:

I have considered the possibility of paying my dues for Life Membership, however, on reading the By-Laws my interpretation is that such a payment must be made a year in advance of acceptance and that current Corporate dues for this year, cannot be included in the paid-up amount.

The enclosed cheque for \$40.00 for this years dues is predicated on this conclusion.

Your advice on the matter would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Thiry

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3901 Travis Street

April 22, 1952

Mr. Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A.
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

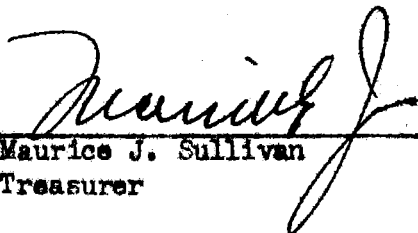
Dear Mr. Thiry:

Your letter of April 7th, regarding the payment of current corporation dues, is correct and your check for \$40.00 has been duly endorsed and deposited and your account for 1952 credited with same.

Several of the members of about your age in this chapter have been considering paying for life membership. Income Tax Consultants have advised them that this amount must be divided by their life expectancy and only that amount may be deducted each year. They felt this changed the picture somewhat and I felt you might be interested in this item.

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you in New York. I hope things go well with you.

Sincerely,


Maurice J. Sullivan
Treasurer

cc: Mr. J. Winfield Rankin
Administrative Secretary
American Institute of Architects
Washington 6, D. C.

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Thiry

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W.

WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

MAURICE J. SULLIVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS
TREASURER

3901 Travis Street

April 22, 1952

Mr. J. Winfield Rankin
Administrative Secretary
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

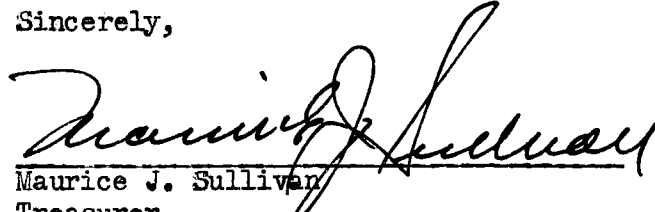
Dear Win:

I am transmitting herewith a copy of a letter to Paul Thiry regarding his proposed life membership dues.

I am sure you remember that I had recommended to the Board that the amount for life membership be increased to \$800.00. At the current rate of interest earned by our investment account this would almost pay \$40.00 a year and will leave capital of \$800.00 at the end of the member's life. I seriously believe that this should be done soon.

I have your post card regarding reservations at the Waldorf. I have previously filled in the required blank for reservations and this morning received confirmation from the Waldorf for a double bedroom from \$12.00 to \$15.00. What I have asked for was a twin bedroom at \$15.00 or a double bedroom at \$12.00, the first being preferred. Maybe you can arrange this.

Sincerely,


Maurice J. Sullivan
Treasurer

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Thiry, Paul

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December 16, 1954

Mr. Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A.
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

Dear Paul:

I enjoyed very much reading your article in the last Journal and congratulate you on it and on the force of your statement.

As you may have heard from Waldo, I took the liberty of having copies made of the letter that you wrote to Tom Creighton and furnished them to our Board of Directors. I did this in order that there might be no mistake as to your position. We shall see what we shall see, but I must say I find the activities of Mr. Creighton presumptuous and bound to engender a considerable amount of ill-will and confusion.

Kindest regards to you,

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

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*Memorandum
Thiry, Paul A.*

November 11, 1958

Dear Paul:

Congratulations to you, as the Chief Architect for the Century 21 Exposition - Seattle 1961.

This is a great accomplishment for you, and an honor to your profession. Further - it is a challenge, which I am positive that you will meet with an exciting and an individual solution.

We shall look forward to progress on this great project.

With best wishes.

Cordially,

John Noble Richards

Mr. Paul A. Thiry, F.A.I.A.,
800 Columbia Street
Seattle, 4, Washington

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bcc: Edmund R. Purves, F.A.I.A.,

Donald Stewart, A.I.A.

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Members
Thiry, Paul

November 18, 1960

Subscription Department
Washington Post and Times Herald
1515 L Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Please enter a subscription to your daily and Sunday edition
for the following:

Mr. Paul Thiry, FAIA
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

Please send the bill to the Accounting Department, The
American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Ave., N.W., Washington,
D. C.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs) Polly Shackleton
Head, Professional Affairs

PS:ekb
cc: Mr. Wolverton

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Members
Thiry, Paul

December 29, 1960

Mr. Paul Thiry, FAIA
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

Dear Mr. Thiry:

Mrs. Shackleton is out of the office for the next few weeks but I talked with her regarding your two letters of December 22 and she asked that I write you the following information.

As far as the Committee Chairmen's Meeting is concerned, it would be very nice if you were able to attend but Mrs. Shackleton believes this is merely an informative meeting for orientation of committee chairmen. There is no information which you need send for the meeting.

Regarding your second letter on the Joint Committee on the National Capital, I called Miss Harlean James, Secretary-Treasurer, to find out when Mr. Stone's appointment would expire. She informed me that within the next month there would be a letter to each of the representative agencies asking for reappointments or new appointments. I advised her that we would be submitting your name to replace Mr. Stone. Your appointment, of course, is dependent upon the decision of the Board when it meets here January 9-16. I will let you know further on this at that time.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs) Ketchie Brassel
Assistant, Professional Affairs

Thiry, Paul A

Architect Thiry Seen as Favorite For Planning Board

By Jean White
Staff Reporter

Paul A. Thiry, chief architect for the Seattle World's Fair, is a leading candidate for a post on the National Capital Planning Commission. The term of Alexander C. Robinson III expires at the end of this month. President Kennedy will name his successor.

Thiry would be no stranger to Washington and its planning. For the last two years, he has been chairman of the National Capital Committee of the American Institute of Architects. He now is serving on the Pennsylvania Avenue Committee, which is working

on a plan to redeem the Avenue as the ceremonial street of Washington.

Thiry headed a committee that recently made a full-dress review of Washington problems and planning. 'he report, "Washington in Transition," was published as the January issue of the AIA Journal.

The overall judgment of the committee was that the Nation's Capital has declined esthetically since L'Enfant's day and the city has developed without proper guidance and direction.

In public statements, Thiry has criticized the Year 2000



PAUL A. THIRY
... possible nominee

plan. He has proposed high-density development within the city with a system of mass transit, freeways, and parking all buried underground.

Thiry is a former chairman of the Seattle City Planning Commission.

The Washington Post

City Life

Wednesday, April 24, 1963

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The Sunday Star

Area News, C-2-3
Business News, C-4-5

WASHINGTON, D. C., JUNE 2, 1963

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Seattle Architect Gets Planning Group Post

Paul Thiry, 58, a Seattle architect who has headed the architectural profession's Committee on the National Capital, has been appointed to the National Capital Planning Commission.

He was named yesterday to a six-year term on the 13-member commission by President Kennedy. He replaces Alexander C. Robinson III, of Cleveland, whose term expired April 30.

The commission is in overall charge of Washington planning operations, and has responsibility to designate urban renewal areas and approve re-development plans.

Chairman is Mrs. James H. Rowe Jr. who, along with Walter C. Louchheim Jr., was also an appointee of President Kennedy.



PAUL THIRY

President Names Five

Five of the commission's members are appointed by the President, six are ex-officio members representing Federal and District agencies, and two are ex-officio congressional members who head the House and Senate District Committees.

The next new member scheduled to be sworn in is Col. Charles M. Duke, newly appointed District Engineer Commissioner. Col. Duke will succeed Brig. Gen. Frederick J. Clarke, the present Engineer Commissioner whose term will expire July 8.

Born in Nome, Alaska, Mr. Thiry attended the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris and the University of Washington. He has been a practicing architect since 1929.

Was Seattle Planner

For three years, Mr. Thiry was a member of the Seattle Planning Commission and

served for a time as its chairman. He has been active as a member of the American Institute of Architects and was made a fellow of that organization. He also served as president of the AIA's Washington State chapter.

He is a member of the American Institute of Planners and the American Society of Planning Officials, two professional groups in the planning field. Since 1960 he has headed the AIA Committee on the National Capital.

This group recently sponsored an issue of the Institute's Journal devoted entirely to Washington. It has been critical of Washington's "giving way to the dull boredom of sameness," of its "shabby" maintenance, of "the current pattern of freeway construction," and of decentralization of Federal buildings.

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Thiry, Paul A



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IN THE NEWS

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1735 New York Avenue, N.W. • Washington 6, D. C. • EXecutive 3-7050

WASHINGTON, D. C. -- June 4, 1963 -- Seattle architect Paul A. Thiry, FAIA, has been appointed by President Kennedy to a six-year term on the National Capital Planning Commission.

The commission is in charge of overall planning in Washington, and has responsibility to designate urban renewal areas and approve redevelopment plans.

Thiry replaces architect Alexander C. Robinson, III, FAIA, of Cleveland, whose term on the 13-member commission expired April 30. Thiry becomes one of five members appointed by the President. Other members are ex-officio, representing Federal and District agencies and the House and Senate District Committees.

Thiry has served as chairman of The American Institute of Architects' Committee on the National Capital since 1960. The committee is charged with carrying out the "traditional interest of the Institute in the orderly and proper growth and development of the National Capital with due regard for its fundamental character, its characteristic plan, and its continually expanding requirements." In January, the committee sponsored an issue of the AIA Journal devoted entirely to Washington. Thiry served as guest editor for the issue.

Born in Nome, Alaska, Thiry attended the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris and the University of Washington. He has been a practicing architect since 1929. He is a former chairman of the Seattle Planning Commission and member of the Puget Sound Regional Planning Council. He was chief architect of the Seattle World's Fair.

In 1951 Thiry was elected a Fellow of the Institute for outstanding achievement in design. He was elected last month to a second successive term as Chancellor of the AIA's College of Fellows.

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Thiry, Paul

June 13, 1963

Mr. Paul Thiry, FAIA
800 Columbia Street
Seattle 4, Washington

Dear Paul:

Please accept our congratulations on the occasion of your appointment by President Kennedy to the National Capital Planning Commission.

Bob Koehler told me of your visit and I am sorry that I was not in to see you.

I'm enclosing a half dozen copies of the June 7th MEMO which I thought you might like to have.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Landry, AIA
Director, Division of Public Services

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Enclosures

Thiry, Paul

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November 6, 1963

TO: Kenneth C. Landry
FR: William H. Scheick
RE: Paul Thiry - PHA

*Housing
Pha*

Recently sent you a letter from Paul saying he could not be available for west coast meeting (design seminar?)

Paul was in Monday. Said he had agreed on several occasions in past to serve as a "consultant" to PHA. In each instance he had some kind of notice from them of consultant status for a specified period, such as 3 months. He has had no such notice with regard to any recent services requested of him.

I didn't believe any formalities were involved for participants in PHA design seminars. Assume there would be for regional design consultants. In any event, Paul (and I) seem to need a little information.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Application for Membership Emeritus

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

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

Check the appropriate reason

- I am more than 70 years of age.
- I am 60 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.
- I am unable to engage in the practice of architecture.

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

Date 14 June 19 78

Paul Albert Thiry

(APPLICANT'S FULL SIGNATURE IN INK)
Paul (Albert) Thiry, FAIA

*800 Columbia St.
Seattle 98104*

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 as checked above.

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**Mr. Paul Albert Thiry, FAIA, Member Emeritus
800 Columbia Street
Seattle, WA 98104**

Dear Mr. Thiry:

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

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

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

**Robert M. Lawrence, FAIA
Secretary**

**cc: Seattle Chapter, AIA
Washington State Council of Architects, AIA**

Paul Thiry FAIA 1904-1993

Paul Thiry, known for his contribution to the architecture of the Pacific Northwest since the mid-1930's, for his city and regional planning in the early 1950s, and as principal architect of the Seattle World's Fair, died June 27, 1993.

Thiry, born in Nome, Alaska of French immigrant parents, attended the University of Washington from which he received an architecture degree in 1928. His training, in the Beaux Arts tradition, took him abroad on worldwide tours, including a period at the American School at Fontainebleau. Norm Johnston recalls Paul Thiry's report of the strong impression he took from a 1933 visit to the Chicago World's Fair; and of a stay in Japan. In 1929, he opened an office in Seattle.

Much of his early work was residential, in a formal language associated with the European Modernists, particularly Le Corbusier, whom he met briefly while on a world tour in 1934. Thiry gained an international reputation in the 1950s with his design of the US Embassy Residence in Santiago, Chile, and for his contribution to the planning and preservation of the US capital as a member of the Capital Planning Commission in the 1960s. He was also the architectural consultant to the Army Corps of Engineers in the design and planning of the Libby Dam on the Kootenai River in Montana.

Among his local buildings are the Museum of History and Industry, the Frye Art Museum, Mercer Island Presbyterian Church, St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, Washington State Library in Olympia, the Washington Mutual Building at 2nd & Spring, several buildings at Portland's Lewis and Clark College, and the Seattle Center Coliseum. Known for expressing his strong opinions, Thiry will be remembered by many for his contributions to the urban planning of Seattle. An outspoken critic of the City Planning Commission, he opposed its plans to erect the elevated freeway blocking views of and access to the waterfront, and resigned from the commission in protest. His active interest in professional affairs continued throughout his life.

AIA Seattle's President in 1951-52, Paul Thiry became a Fellow of The American Institute of Architects in 1951, serving as Chancellor of the College of Fellows in 1962. In 1965, he received an AIA citation for his work in community design. In 1984, along with Paul Hayden Kirk, he was the first recipient of the Seattle Chapter Medal -- the highest honor AIA Seattle can bestow upon an architect. In May 1993, Paul Thiry attended a meeting of the AIA Seattle Senior Council, recognized along with the two other former Chancellors from Seattle, Robert L. Durham FAIA and Jane Hastings FAIA.



Thiry is survived by two sons, Paul Thiry Jr. AIA, and Pierre Thiry. On behalf of his professional colleagues, AIA Seattle has made a donation to the Seattle Architectural Foundation in memory of Paul Thiry. The family has established the Paul Albert Thiry Sr. AIA Scholarship for Students of Architecture, at the University of Washington to accept donations in memory of Paul Thiry to assist students in overcoming obstacles encountered as they prepare for careers in architecture. Contributions may be made payable to the University of Washington and sent to the College of Architecture & Urban Planning JO-26, UW, Seattle 98195, directing application to the Thiry memorial fund.

At his request, the family has planned no memorial services.

*- based on materials supplied by Meredith L. Clausen, Professor of Architectural History,
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To: Stephanie
From: Monica

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PAUL THIRY, + + 1904 - 1993

With the death of Paul Thiry on June 27th, the American Institute of Architects and the College of Fellows lost not only one of their oldest members but a most distinguished architect. Born in Nome, Alaska, but spending most of his life in Seattle, he graduated from the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1928. Study in Europe (Fontainebleau, France) and a leisurely round-the-world trip added to his preparation for a professional career that was notable for its range and quality: residences, churches, libraries, residence halls, schools, war memorials, hydroelectric dams, and exposition pavilions that firmly established his national and international reputation. He was one of the innovators in his introduction in the 1930s to the Pacific Northwest of the modern design idiom in architecture at a time when it was only just emerging in the United States.

As principal architect for the 1962 Seattle World's Fair, he guided the site planning for that major civic effort and was the architect for several of its most innovative buildings. As planning consultant for the campuses of both the University of Washington and the Olympia State Capitol and as a member of the Seattle City Planning Commission and later of the National Capitol Planning Commission in Washington, D.C., he was noted for his visionary talents as city and regional planner and urban design critic. At the time of the construction of Interstate 5 through Seattle, his was a lone voice for building a lid to unite the two sides of the city across its alignment, an idea rejected at the time but in recent years being realized by the construction of Freeway Park and the Washington State Convention Center.

Both he and his projects have been the subject of articles in local, regional, national, and international publications as well as being recipients of numerous professional and institutional awards citing outstanding design achievements. A active member of the American Institute of Architects since 1940 and Seattle Chapter president in 1951-52, he was elected a Fellow in the College in 1952, becoming its Chancellor in 1962. It was during this tenure that he founded and was the initial donor to the College of Fellows Fund, today the College's principal service program. He is survived by his two sons, Paul A., Jr. , AIA, and Pierre. F., both residents in the Seattle area.

Paul Thiry will be especially remembered by a large number of Seattle architects who worked for him as part of their own professional progress and the lessons he taught by his example of dedication to architecture and the design standards he emulated. At his request, a Paul Albert Thiry, Sr. AIA Scholarship Fund is being established for students in the College of Architecture and Urban Planning to assist them in preparing for their architectural careers. Donations should be made out to the University of Washington and mailed to the College, JO-26, Seattle, 98195.