FREDERICK M. MANN
HEALDSBURG, CALIFORNIA

November 9, 1950.

Jury of Fellows,
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C..

Dear Members of the Jury of Fellows:

I have learned that Lorentz Schmidt has been nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects and I wish to add my approval and recommendation that this nomination be considered by the Jury of Fellows.

My personal contact with Lorentz Schmidt was in the years 1909-11 when he was a student in Architecture at the University of Illinois. I was deeply impressed with the serious earnestness and solidity of character that made him stand out clearly among his fellow students. It has been my pleasure during succeeding years to note how Lorentz Schmidt developed into enviable competence and position of leadership among his colleagues and widely in the Profession.

We must look to such men to establish and to promote confidence in and esteem of the profession of Architecture.

Sincerely,

F. M. Mann F.A.I.A.

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October 20, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:

As Regional Director during the depression years, as well as in other official capacities, I have seen the work of Lorentz Schmidt as a member of the Institute. He is now being recommended for advancement to Fellowship.

His services to the Institute in the hinterland to my mind merit the proposed advancement, and on these grounds I very respectfully commend him to you for favorable consideration.

Very truly yours,

Raymond J. Ashton

Raymond J. Ashton

RJA/t

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October 20, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
The Octagon
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I understand that Mr. Lorentz Schmidt has been nominated by the Kansas Chapter for a Fellowship. It has been my privilege to know Mr. Schmidt over a number of years and I hold him in high regard as an Architect and an ethical and professional man. I recommend him to your favorable consideration.

Yours very truly,

Leonard H. Bailey

LHB:jp

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The Jury of Fellows
A. I. A.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen;

I am informed that the Executive Committee of the Kansas Chapter is nominating Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt for A.I.A. Fellowship.

I have known Lorentz for many years and know him to be an Architect of outstanding ability who has devoted his entire life to the profession. His practice has been conducted on a high plane and his work has always reflected credit on both the Architectural profession and himself. Should you elect him to Fellowship in the Institute I believe you will honor a man who is justly deserving and who will serve in this capacity with credit to the entire Chapter. I wish to endorse the action of the Kansas Chapter wholeheartedly and will get a lot of personal gratification out of seeing Lorentz Schmidt made a Fellow of the Institute.

Very truly yours,

Geo. H. Wittenberg

George H. Wittenberg

ghw/n

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August 28, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

I wish to support the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt, A.I.A., of the Kansas Chapter for his outstanding service to the profession.

Sincerely yours,

Leigh Hunt

LH:bl

CADILLAC 1874

LEO M. BAUER
Architect
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DETROIT
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August 23rd, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
Washington, D. C.

Attention of the Secretary

Gentlemen:

This letter is written in support of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt of Wichita, Kansas, for his nomination to Fellowship in the Institute. Mr. Schmidt has served the profession in the State of Kansas in a most noteworthy manner, and is currently serving the Institute as a Regional Director for the Central States District.

Mr. Schmidt has long been noted for his interest in the younger members of the profession, as evidenced by the scholarship which he presents annually to the University of Kansas for students showing outstanding professional ability.

I have known Mr. Schmidt for approximately forty years, he having attended the University of Illinois at the time of my enrollment there. He graduated with the Class of 1913, and immediately thereafter began his independent practice as an Architect at Wichita, Kansas. It was my pleasure to have served with him as one of the founders of the Arcus Society, which later became Alpho Roh Chi, National Architectural Professional Fraternity.

He has executed many buildings of note in his home State and elsewhere, has served his City and State on various commissions and Boards.

He is outstanding as an individual, and his character is much beyond reproach. He is indeed a credit to the profession, and the Institute would be lacking were it not to honor him with a promotion to Fellow.

I join his many friends throughout the Nation in wishing for him an even greater service to the public, and with them I trust that he may be honored by the elevation to Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, which he has served so well.

Respectfully submitted,

Leo M. Bauer

Leo M. Bauer, A.I.A. Architect

LMB/E

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AUGUST TWENTY FIFTH
NINETEEN FIFTY

JURY OF FELLOWS OF
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
WASHINGTON, D. C.

GENTLEMEN:

IT HAS COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT OUR REGIONAL DIRECTOR, LORENTZ SCHMIDT, HAS BEEN NOMINATED BY THE KANSAS CHAPTER FOR A.I.A. FELLOWSHIP. THIS PLEASES ME VERY MUCH AND I FEEL PRIVILEGED TO ADD MY ENDORSEMENT TO THAT NOMINATION.

I HAVE KNOWN MR. SCHMIDT FOR THE PAST TWENTY FIVE YEARS AND AM FAMILIAR WITH THE MANY YEARS HE HAS DEVOTED UNSELFISHLY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE PROFESSION AS A WHOLE.

MR. SCHMIDT IS WELL LIKED IN THIS DISTRICT AND HAS MANY FRIENDS AMONG THE ARCHITECTS WHO WILL ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSE HIM FOR FELLOWSHIP.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,

LEON B. SENTER, A.I.A.

LBS:RS

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August 14, 1950

Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
The Octagon Building
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

As members of the Kansas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects we wish to wholeheartedly endorse the nomination of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt for Fellowship status in the American Institute of Architects.

Mr. Schmidt throughout his many years of practice has always faithfully supported all the activities and aims of the American Institute of Architects. His efforts without fail have been for the betterment of the profession as a whole.

Sincerely,

GRIEST and EKDAHL, ARCHITECTS

By: T. R. Griest
T. R. Griest

TRG:ba

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August 15, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

It gives me the greatest pleasure to endorse the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter for A. I. A. Fellowship.

His long and devoted service to the profession and to the American Institute of Architects makes him worthy of this honor.

Respectfully,

JDL:S

JOSEPH D. LELAND

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VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE

BLACKSBURG, VIRGINIA

August 11, 1950

The Jury of Fellows,
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

As requested by Paul Weigel, Chairman, Committee on Fellows, Kansas Chapter, A.I.A., I am glad to add my endorsement to the many others I am sure you will receive in support of the nomination to the Fellowship of Lorentz Schmidt.

I have known Lorentz Schmidt since we were in college together and have watched his progress with special interest ever since he established himself in my native state, of Kansas. Architictural practice in Kansas has improved immeasurably since Lorentz Schmidt joined the professional group there, and I have reason to believe that his influence was an important factor in bringing about this change.

You are aware of his services to the National Organization, and are able to judge his contributions in the field of design. In personality and character, he stands at the top.

Sincerely yours,

C. H. Cowgill pf

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CHC:pf

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File No. A.I.A.
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August 8, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Ave. N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I am writing you this letter indorsing the proposed nomination of Lorentz Schmidt for A.I.A. fellowship.

I have known Lorentz Schmidt for a great number of years, as both he and myself have been members of the Kansas chapter for at least 28 years to my knowledge; and during that time Mr. Schmidt has worked continuously and very effectively in many activities which have raised and maintained the professional standards of our profession throughout this territory. As you know, he is currently our regional director; and since thus far there have been very few A.I.A. members in our immediate territory who have been advanced to fellowship, it would appear very appropriate and fitting that Lorentz Schmidt receive this recognition.

Trusting that you gentlemen will give this matter due consideration, I am,

Cordially yours,

Chas. W. Shaver

Chas. W. Shaver

CWS/mmj

cc: Prof. Paul Weigel, F.A.I.A.
Head of Dept. of Architecture
Kansas State College
Manhattan, Kansas

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August 7, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Because I am not a Fellow myself, or in the region in which he serves, please do not consider me forward in suggesting that you elevate to this status Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter.

In my humble opinion, he has done, is doing, and will do more toward dignifying our profession than almost any one of our colleagues. Both his ethics and standards of practice exemplify what we should all in every way strive to achieve.

Sincerely,

Temple H. Buell

Temple H. Buell, A.I.A.

THB/nmb

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

WILBUR H. TUSLER, DIRECTOR, NORTH CENTRAL STATES DISTRICT
202 FOSHAY TOWER, MINNEAPOLIS 2, MINNESOTA

August 14, 1950

Jury of Fellows, A. I.A.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

During the past year I have had the pleasure and the privilege of working with Mr. Lorentz Schmidt on the Board of Directors of The American Institute of Architects. In that time I have come to respect his judgment and the zeal with which he undertakes problems assigned to him. His efforts are untiring and the time he gives to Institute affairs away from his private practice must be a real sacrifice.

Men like Mr. Schmidt deserve recognition by the Institute. He is a credit to the architectural profession, The American Institute of Architects, and would be a credit to the Jury of Fellows. In my opinion Mr. Schmidt is well worthy of this honor, and when his name is presented to your Jury, I earnestly bespeak your favorable consideration.

Yours very truly,

W. H. Tusler

W. H. Tusler, Director
North Central States District

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

ARTHUR C. HOLDEN, DIRECTOR, NEW YORK DISTRICT
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August 15, 1950

Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It gives me great pleasure to endorse the nomination for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute of Lorentz Schmidt, of the Kansas Chapter.

I have known Lorentz Schmidt intimately on the Board of the Institute and believe that he well merits advancement to Fellowship for the services which he has performed for the Institute. Lorentz Schmidt has been a tower of strength as a Board member, and his integrity and charm of character have made his influence invaluable.

I am happy, indeed, to add my personal word in recommending Lorentz Schmidt's advancement to Fellowship.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur C. Holden

Arthur C. Holden

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August 11, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

Will you please record my hearty and unreserved indorsement of the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt of Wichita, Kansas, for elevation to The Fellowship in The Institute.

I have known and worked with Mr. Schmidt, both on the Board of Directors and on Committees of The Institute, and have profound admiration for the quality of mind and spirit which he possesses. I have been particularly impressed with the manner in which he gives leadership to the profession in his area, with the democratic management of his own office, and with the high quality of his executed work. The service he gives to his clients is, in my opinion, as nearly perfect as any of which I have knowledge.

In every way and by every standard he is, in my judgment, eminently qualified to the elevation of The Fellowship.

Cordially yours,

George Bain Cummings

George Bain Cummings

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Houston 6, Texas
August 9, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Street, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Mr. Lorentz Schmidt is being supported by the Kansas Chapter for Fellowship. It is my pleasure to speak in his behalf.

Thirty years ago this fall, I first met him and through those years he has always held a deep interest in the profession; not only as it is practiced but as it is taught. He has always liked young students and has gone out of his way to encourage them in their approach to the profession. This I remember so well because I was so encouraged when first I met him. The warmth of his friendship and the sincerity of his professional efforts have been a fine example to many of us who have known him through the years.

Mr. Schmidt's sound sense of values and his excellent character are from the material of which real Fellows should come. I sincerely hope that he is accepted by the Jury and I shall look forward to the time when he is cited and elevated to Fellowship.

Sincerely,

Walter T. Rolfe

WTR/ejw

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August 17, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

It has come to our attention that the Kansas Chapter through their Executive Committe is nominating Lorentz Schmidt for advancement to Fellowship.

It has been our good fortune to know Lorentz Schmidt for several years. We have become acquainted with his devotion to the profession and his selfless service to the best interests of his colleagues. He has proven a tireless and dependable worker. His record as a local and regional leader is enviable.

We hearily endorse the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt to Fellowship.

Sincerely,

Glenn Stanton

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October 4, 1950

Prof. Paul Weigel, Head
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Kansas State College
Mannattan, Kansas

To The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Mr. Lorentz Schmidt, a member of the Kansas Chapter, A.I.A., who has been nominated for Fellowship in The Institute, is known to me as a man of high moral standing, integrety and ability.

He has had many friends here since his graduation from the University of Illinois in 1913, who have followed with interest his throrough training, followed by entry into his own practice in Wichita - 1915, and the creditable work he has done since.

He has made distinct contribution to the advancement of our profession, local, state, regional and national.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I offer my endorsement to the nomination of one who I feel would do honor to the College of Fellows.

Sincerely yours,

Talmage C. Hughes

Talmage C. Hughes

TCH:rdn

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August 21, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

I am informed that the Kansas Chapter has nominated Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt for advancement to Fellowship. As a friend of Mr. Schmidt, I would like to endorse his nomination, pointing out that his service in the field of design along with his untiring efforts in behalf of the Institute activities denotes honorable recognition.

Very respectfully submitted,

Howard Eichenbaum

Howard Eichenbaum
Arkansas Chapter, A.I.A.

HE/r

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
MINNEAPOLIS 14

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

September 21, 1950.

Jury of Fellows,
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I learn that Mr. Lorentz Schmidt has been nominated for a fellowship.

It gives me great pleasure to heartily second his nomination. It was my privilege to have Mr. Schmidt as a student during the year or two that I once taught at the University of Illinois. Knowing how successful he was as a student, and his perseverance in working his financial way through the architectural courses, it has been more than gratifying to note and follow his successful and honorable career as an architect.

I have the highest admiration for his quiet, unassuming but strong and capable leadership in professional affairs, and the architectural ability which has enabled him to contribute so effectively to the architectural development of his region.

Sincerely,

Roy Jones, F.A.I.A.,
Professor & Head,
School of Architecture.

RCJ/c

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COLLEGE OF FINE AND APPLIED ARTS
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
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OFFICE OF THE DEAN

August 10, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I should like to add my weight to the Kansas Chapter's nomination for Fellowship of Lorentz Schmidt, architect of Wichita and a Regional Director of the Institute.

I have known Mr. Schmidt for forty two years and am familiar with his excellent professional performance as a principal and his untiring faithfulness in the service of the Institute. He had paid much attention to the development of younger men in the profession and at all times has taken a wide interest in every move to promote good architecture, the Institute and the profession.

It is certainly my belief that Lorentz Schmidt is definitely in line for Fellowship and I unreservedly commend him to your favorable attention.

Yours very truly,

Rexford Newcomb

F.A.I.A.
Professor of Architecture and Dean
College of Fine and Applied Arts

RN:MM

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October 4, 1950

Jury of Fellows, A. I. A.,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen: RE: LORENTZ SCHMIDT

I desire to add my personal endorsement toward the nomination of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt for a Fellowship in the Institute.

My acquaintance with Mr. Schmidt began when we as freshmen entered the University of Illinois. Through our undergraduate years and the many years since, I have always held him in the highest regard. He was respected by students and faculty alike for excellent work and a rare brand of forthrightness. Since graduation, his work has been most commendable and his integrity and forthrightness have established him as one of the more substantial citizens in his community.

Particularly, he has given his utmost to his profession. He was very active in the creation of the Kansas Society of Architects and later, the Kansas Chapter of the Institute. He is a Regional Director of the Institute at this time.

Lorentz is worthy of a Fellowship and it is a real pleasure to be privileged to add my endorsement to the many others which I know he will receive.

Sincerely,

Chas. B. McGrew

CBM:B

HOWARD L. CHENEY
ARCHITECT
23 EAST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO 4, ILLINOIS

August 16, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

This letter is sent as endorsement of the nomination of Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt for A.I.A. Fellowship.

I have known Lorentz Schmidt since we were students of architecture together at the University of Illinois, and have followed his progress and achievements with considerable interest through the years. He is in the midst of a distinguished career as an architect and has made many fine contributions in architecture in various types of well designed buildings throughout the southwest section of the country. In addition Mr. Schmidt is deserving of a Fellowship for his service to the Institute and to the Profession.

Lorentz Schmidt's many friends will testify, I am sure, to his outstanding character and high integrity along with his professional talents. His work and reputation are evidence of his qualifications. I am happy to have an opportunity of endorsing Mr. Schmidt's nomination for A.I.A. Fellowship.

Sincerely yours,

Howard L. Cheney

Howard L. Cheney, F.A.I.A.

HLC:vmb

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Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

This will be in strong support of the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt for Fellowship.

Although I have been unable to obtain direct verification, I am convinced from secondary sources that he has contributed importantly to The Institute and that his influence on the profession within the state of Kansas over a long period of years has advanced to a very marked degree the standards of ethics and professional practice within that area.

Lorentz Schmidt has honored the profession by his life. The Institute can well honor him by an advancement to Fellowship.

Sincerely

J. Woolson Brooks

J. Woolson Brooks, F.A.I.A.

JWB/EP

August 16, 1950

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August 18, 1950.

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

Dear Sirs:

My old friend Mr. Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter has been nominated for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute and I wish to add my endorsement to this nomination.

I do not know of anyone to whom I would rather see this honor come. We started out together as freshmen at the University of Illinois and I knew then that some day he would be heard from in the profession. Time has proved this all too well. While I have been in Kentucky, he in Kansas, I have followed his work and knew he was living up to his reputation. I was pleased when he was made Regional Director which showed his real worth to the Institute. I am very pleased to add my hearty approval to this award.

Very truly yours,

Fred L. Morgan

F. L. Morgan, F.A.I.A.

FLM:VP

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

JAMES H. MITCHELL, DIRECTOR, SIERRA-NEVADA DISTRICT
407 SANSOME STREET, SAN FRANCISCO 11, CALIFORNIA

August 16, 1950.

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that Mr. Lorentz Schmidt, A.I.A. of the Kansas Chapter is being entertained for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I am very happy to subscribe my support to the action of the Kansas Chapter in seeking this distinction for one of its members.

While I am at a disadvantage by distance in being unacquainted with much of Mr. Schmidt's work, I consider such of it as I have knowledge to be of high order.

Beyond this I am better qualified to speak of Mr. Schmidt's capacity in service to the Institute. By close contacts with him through concurrent terms on the Board I have constantly observed and admired the firm position he holds in every matter for the betterment of the profession. I look upon his judgement with great respect.

In my estimation Mr. Schmidt exemplifies those qualities most looked for in a Fellow. I shall be pleased if he is accorded this distinction.

Sincerely yours,
James H. Mitchell
James H. Mitchell.

JHM:es

IOWA STATE COLLEGE
OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS
AMES, IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE
AND
ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING

September 7, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington D. C.

Dear Sirs:

In support of the nomination of regional director Lorentz Schmidt for fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, I should like to offer my personal endorsement.

Director Schmidt's professional record is outstanding, but of prime importance, has been his untiring efforts to promote the fine professional work of the American Institute of Architects in his district. At all of our gatherings, both large and small, held during recent years, Lorentz Schmidt has been present always, offering counsel and lending a personal effort for every professional chore.

His personality has endeared him to all of us who know him well, and I cannot urge too strongly his nomination for fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

Very truly yours,

Thos. K. Fitz Patrick

Thos. K. Fitz Patrick, Head
Department of Architecture

TKF:mm

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August 12, 1950

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Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Regarding Mr. Lorentz Schmidt who is being nominated for A.I.A. Fellowship, I wish to advise that I have known Mr. Schmidt for at least ten years. His architectural work and his interest in promoting a high standard of practice, in my estimation, certainly qualifies him to receive an A.I.A. Fellowship.

Mr. Schmidt has devoted himself unsparingly and I hope that he will be honored by the Jury of Fellows, A.I.A., Washington, D.C.

Yours very truly,

N. W. Overstreet

NWO:ss

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
MINNEAPOLIS 14

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

August 9, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that Mr. Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter has been proposed for Fellowship. I heartily endorse this nomination.

I have known Lorentz since we were students together at the University of Illinois and I have always felt that he was a man of wonderfully fine character. His work as an architect is well enough known to require no statement from me and his labors for the profession as Regional Director of the Institute is sufficient commendation on that account.

Yours sincerely,

Robert T. Jones
Professor

RTJ/j

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ASST. CHIEF DRAFTSMAN

September 8, 1950

Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I understand that Mr. Lorentz Schmidt is being nominated to fellowship status. It is a pleasure to recommend that Mr. Schmidt be considered for this honor, since he has given helpful and encouraging service to the institute during the twenty-five years that I have known him.

Mr. Schmidt is now our district director, and is thus continuing his service both to our Kansas Chapter and to the institute.

Sincerely yours,

Charles L. Marshall
State Architect

CLM:ar

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

Gentlemen:

In behalf of Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter this communication is being written, in connection with his consideration for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

It has been my pleasure to work with Mr. Schmidt, not only as a Regional Director, but also as a committee associate. During these times, I have become fully aware of his keen interest not only in The Institute, but in the architectural profession as a whole. His sincerity and conscientiousness is worthy of deep consideration in connection with the nomination in question.

It is a distinct pleasure to heartily support and endorse this nomination.

Very truly yours,

Paul Gerhardt Jr.

PG MM

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Mr. Paul Weigel, Chairman, Committe on Fellows
Kansas Chapter, A.I.A.
Kansas State College
Manhattan, Kansas

Dear Mr. Weigel:

I have your letter regarding Mr. Lorentz Schmidt's nomination as a Fellow in the American Institute of Architects.

Mr. Schmidt was in my class at the University of Illinois graduating in 1913 and to my knowledge always did very creditable work while in school. Since graduating from the University, I understand he worked for a few Architectural firms in Chicago and later set up in business in Wichita, Kansas. I have made notice in the various Architectural Publications his work while in Kansas, which to me seems to be very creditable over a period of years.

I would like to endorse the action of the Kansas Chapter and honestly feel that Mr. Lorentz Schmidt's work has been outstanding. I have no supporting exhibits other than what may be found in the various publications through the years illustrating his work.

You may forward this on, or a copy of this letter, to the Jury of Fellows, A.I.A., Washington, D. C.

Cordially yours,

W F Blatherwick

W. F. Blatherwick, A.I.A.
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

WFB/js

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

SAINT LOUIS (5), MO.

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

August 14, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I am writing to express my sincere and full support of the nomination of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt for the great honor of a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. His record as an Architect of integrity and high ideals plus his record of service to the Institute and the profession do not need further elaboration from me. In addition to these qualifications, I have known Mr. Schmidt as a man of fairness, kindness and consideration. It therefore, gives me great pleasure to recommend Mr. Lorentz Schmidt for the honor of the Fellowship of Architects.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joseph D. Murphy

Joseph D. Murphy
Dean, School of Architecture

JDM:mm

GEORGE L. RICHARDSON • ARCHITECT • A. I. A.
11 FOREST COURT — KNOXVILLE 16, TENNESSEE

August 26, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

I have just been informed of the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt for Fellowship in the Institute, as sponsored by the Kansas Chapter, and it is a pleasure to add my hearty endorsement to this proposal.

Although I am not intimately acquainted with Mr. Schmidt, I have known of his interest and untiring services to Alpha Rho Chi, national architectural fraternity which he helped to organize, for the past thirty-five years. His friendly personality impressed me greatly during the 82nd national convention of the Institute in Washington this year where I had the privilege of meeting him for the first time.

He has been a national officer of Alpha Rho Chi and has always shown an interest in assisting young men to make their start in the architectural profession either as students or as active practitioners. He is one of the outstanding leaders in our profession and has contributed much of his time and energy to fostering good relations throughout the building industry.

In my opinion, his inspiring leadership in the affairs of the Kansas Chapter, as a national officer of the Institute, his active participation in many worthy civic enterprises and his architectural accomplishments amply qualify him for the high honor of becoming a Fellow in the Institute. I sincerely urge, therefore, that favorable consideration be accorded his nomination for Fellowship in the Institute by the Jury of Fellows.

Very truly yours,

George L. Richardson

George L. Richardson

GLR:r
CC: Jury of Fellows, w/original

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R. WAYNE LYON, ENGINEER

August 14, 1950

Mr. Paul Weigel,
Dept. of Architecture & Allied Arts,
Kansas State College,
Manhattan, Kans.

Dear Mr. Weigel:

I heartily support the action of the Kansas Chapter in nominating Mr. Lorentz Schmidt to Fellowship in the A.I.A.

During several years as an active officer of the Iowa Chapter, I had occasion to become quite well acquainted with him and worked with him on several matters. I sincerely believe he has all of the qualities and qualifications necessary for the elevation to Fellowship and feel that he is very deserving of that high honor.

Very truly yours,

Clyde W. Lighter

Clyde W. Lighter

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CWL:lc

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August 19th 1950.

Jury of Fellows,
F.P.A. Octagon,
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to write in behalf of Mr Lorenz Schmidt. Not only has he served as a director of the Institute, but has held an outstanding position in the profession, in his city and state.

I have known him personally for some time, and wish to add my sincere endorsement to that of the Kansas Chapter.

Cordially yours,

Henry F. Hoit
by F. S. H.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE
URBANA, ILLINOIS

August 16, '50

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects

The following statements are in support of the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt of Wichita Kansas for election as a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects.

Mr. Schmidt through his professional work has contributed the best to the architecture of his generation. What he has done will be considered good for the years to come. His practice has covered a large territory and his work has been a fine influence for the communities which have buildings designed by him. He has given a long and devoted service to the profession and his interests in the A I A have extended over a considerable period of time. The confidence of his colleagues is shown by his election as Regional Director which office he has held with enthusiasm and judgment.

His influence over young men who have worked under his direction cannot be evaluated

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in words as he has inspired and directed their thinking along right lines.

Mr. Schmidt is worthy of this high honor and I endorse the recommendation of the Kansas chapter. He is highly commended for favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted

J. H. Provine, F.A.I.A.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE
LINCOLN 8, NEBRASKA

August 9, 1950

The Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It is my privilege to write this letter in support of the nomination of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt to Fellowship status.

The Kansas Chapter is simply honoring itself in proposing Mr. Schmidt's name. He has been a tower of strength for Architecture, and a bulwark of Professional Ethics in Kansas for many years. I recall his kindly efforts to help students in my own days at Kansas State.

I won one of the Lorentz Schmidt prizes for excellence in working drawings. Nothing could have been a greater stimulus to my architectural ambitions than this recognition from a man who was, even then, one of the leading professional lights of the Southwest. His consistent and friendly help to the profession through the years has raised the standards of architectural relationships in this area as well as having gained for architecture public esteem and respect.

I know of no man in the central states as deserving of Fellowship status as Lorentz Schmidt. It is my sincere hope that the coming generation be able to produce men of his caliber and that they will be able to achieve such positions of influence as this man has attained. Even in these later years he has come to the University of Nebraska from Wichita by private plane and at great inconvenience to himself, to talk to our student body and to discuss Architectural Ethics and our profession with the Student Architectural Society.

Although I, myself, like many others, owe much to this man for personal inspiration, our student body at Nebraska has a better concept of the Profession of Architecture, and the men who have made it, by having known Lorentz Schmidt.

I hope that you will give his candidacy careful consideration. Many people outside of the profession of architecture will be pleased to hear of this honor to a good, talented, and public spirited citizen.

Very respectfully yours,

Linus Burr Smith

Linus Burr Smith A. I. A.
Professor of Architecture
Chairman of the Department

LBS:dl

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August 22, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

I have known Lorentz Schmidt for almost ten years and during this time have been increasingly conscious of his abilities as an architect and of his willingness to assume leadership in the civic affairs of his community. His service in both fields has been distinguished and a credit to his profession.

He is a gentleman of high character whose service as a Director of The Institute has added strength to the Board and has earned him additional esteem among the members of the Chapters in the Central States District.

It is with pleasure that I recommend him to you for advancement to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth E. Wischmeyer

Kenneth E. Wischmeyer

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LEIGH HUNT, ARCHITECT
3800 NORTH HUMBOLDT AVE.
MILWAUKEE 12, WISCONSIN

August 28, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

I wish to support the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt, A.I.A., of the Kansas Chapter for his outstanding service to the profession.

Sincerely yours,

Leigh Hunt

LH:bl

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August 25, 1950

Jury of Fellows,
American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs:

I have known the architectural travels of Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter since the time he won his degree in Architecture with honor at the University of Illinois in 1913.

With financial and physical handicaps he plowed through his architectural educational training with distinction. His subsequent practice in his native State, as we all know, has been done with great credit to the profession.

As a member of the Los Angeles Chapter and of the Detroit Chapter, it is with pleasure that I endorse the action of the Kansas Chapter in nominating Lorentz Schmidt to a Fellowship status.

Sincerely yours,

N. Chester Sorensen

NCS:g

cc Detroit Chapter
Los Angeles Chapter

MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS

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LUTHER ORVILLE WILLIS A.I.A.
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August 29, 1950

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Jury of Fellows, A. I. A.
1741 New York Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

In recognition of the valued service to the American Institute of Architects and to the profession throughout the Central States District, I consider it an honor to support the nomination of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt to the status of Fellowship.

I have known Mr. Schmitz for many years and know of his devoted and faithful service through the long years of his membership in the American Institute of Architects and of the sincere and much greater work he has done since taking over the Directorship of The Central States District.

I earnestly hope The Jury of Fellows will concur in the opinion of his many friends throughout this area in support of his nomination.

Very truly yours,

Luther Orville Willis

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Luther Orville Willis, A.I.A.

HOWARD GEORGE ELWELL
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August 8, 1950

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am indeed happy to hear about the nomination for A.I.A. Fellowship of Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt, and I sincerely and wholeheartedly support this action.

Mr. Schmidt was the first architect that I had the pleasure of working for after leaving school and I felt then, and have in subsequent experiences, that he represents all of the good qualities that an architect should have. My work with him was about 30 years ago, but I know something of his recent work and accomplishments since I visited him while in Wichita last fall. I went through two particular buildings; one, a grade school just completed and the other, I believe, a Lutheran church. Both, in my opinion, were exceptional and outstanding examples of excellent design and planning. The occupants were high in their praise of the practicability and ingenious design of these buildings.

Mr. Schmidt has always been my idea of what an architect should be; in his relationship to his draftsmen, office force and the public. His honest, generous, sincere and exceptional efforts and accomplishments should at last be rewarded.

Sincerely,

Howard G. Elwell

HOWARD G. ELWELL
Architect

HGE:V

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ALFRED DAMIAN REID A. I. A.

August 31, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I take pleasure in commending and endorsing the nomination of Lorentz Schmidt, of the Kansas Chapter, for fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

This nomination has been made by the Executive Committee of the Kansas Chapter. From personal knowledge when a Regional Director and working with him on the Board, I can subscribe to their statement on his achievements as an architect and his service to his Chapter and the National Organization.

I recommend your consideration for election to the honor of Fellowship.

Sincerely yours,

Allan H. Neal

ALLAN H. NEAL

AHN:PS

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CHARLESTON, WEST VA.

L. G. TUCKER
C. E. SILLING
C. L. BOWYER

10 August 1950

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

Gentlemen:

I am informed that the Executive Committee of the Kansas Chapter has nominated Lorentz Schmidt of that Chapter for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

Permit me to call your attention to his long and devoted service to the profession and to the Institute, the worth of which is attested by the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter in support of this nomination.

I would like to add my appreciation of Mr. Schmidt's worthy qualifications and commend him to your consideration for this high honor.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. Silling

C. E. Silling

CES:fj

Chas. W. & John U. Shaver
Architects
205½ S. Santa Fe, Salina, Kans.

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A.I.A.

August 8, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Ave. N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I am writing you this letter indorsing the proposed nomination of Lorentz Schmidt for A.I.A. fellowship.

I have known Lorentz Schmidt for a great number of years, as both he and myself have been members of the Kansas chapter for at least 28 years to my knowledge; and during that time Mr. Schmidt has worked continuously and very effectively in many activities which have raised and maintained the professional standards of our profession throughout this territory. As you know, he is currently our regional director; and since thus far there have been very few A.I.A. members in our immediate territory who have been advanced to fellowship, it would appear very appropriate and fitting that Lorentz Schmidt receive this recognition.

Trusting that you gentlemen will give this matter due consideration, I am,

Cordially yours,

Chas. W. Shaver

CWS/mmj

cc: Prof. Paul Weigel, F.A.I.A.
Head of Dept. of Architecture
Kansas State College
Manhattan, Kansas

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DENVER, COLORADO

August 7, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Because I am not a Fellow myself, or in the region in which he serves, please do not consider me forward in suggesting that you elevate to this status Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt of the Kansas Chapter.

In my humble opinion, he has done, is doing, and will do more toward dignifying our profession than almost any one of our colleagues. Both his ethics and standards of practice exemplify what we should all in every way strive to achieve.

Sincerely,

Temple H. Buell, A.I.A.

THB/nmb

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THOMAS D. BROAD, DIRECTOR, TEXAS DISTRICT
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9 August 1950

Jury of Fellows
A. I. A.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that Lorentz Schmidt is being nominated for Fellowship in the Institute. While I have not known Mr. Schmidt very long, my association with him as a fellow director on the Board of the Institute has led me to value his friendship and his judgment. I believe he is rendering real service to the Institute.

I consider it a privilege to add my recommendation for his appointment as a Fellow.

Very truly yours,

Thos. D. Broad

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DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE • LAWRENCE

113 Marvin Hall
August 12, 1950

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To: The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects

Gentlemen:

Mr. Lorentz Schmidt, a leading citizen and practicing Architect of Wichita, Kansas has, because of his splendid character, industry, ability and sincerity, contributed much to society. The high quality of architecture produced by him and the firms in which he has been a dominant figure, give ample testimony of his professional ability. Mr. Schmidt has taken, for years, a leading part in activities of the Kansas Chapter as a corporate member, an officer, and as director of chapter affairs. Besides his work in the Institute both on the state and national level he has promoted architectural education in the state schools. This he has done by generously giving his time, by prize awards for student achievement and by employing students or graduates in his office.

It is for such reasons as outlined above, observed over a period of twenty-five years, that I want to give my wholehearted endorsement of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt for promotion to Fellowship in The Institute.

Sincerely yours,

George M. Beal, AIA
Head, Dept. of Architecture

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LEE BLACK *and* KENNETH C. BLACK, *Registered Architects*
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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that the Kansas Chapter is nominating Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt for Fellowship in the Institute. I wish to add my personal recommendation to this nomination.

As a former District Director of the Institute, I have had an opportunity to closely observe the unselfish and valuable service which Mr. Schmidt has rendered, and is rendering, to the Institute. His interest in the promotion of scholarship among the younger men and students is well known and the architectural commissions executed by him are of outstanding excellence.

I sincerely believe that he is deserving of advancement to Fellowship.

Respectfully,

Kenneth C. Black

Kenneth C. Black

KCB:hh

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ROY E. CALVIN, JR.
ASSOCIATE

August 14, 1950

Jury of Fellows
A.I.A.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that the Executive Committee of the Kansas Chapter of the A.I.A. is nominating Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt of Wichita, Kansas, for A.I.A. Fellowship.

I desire to add my personal recommendations and endorsement of such action by the Jury of Fellows.

It has been my privilege and pleasure to personally and intimately know Mr. Schmidt since 1913, and have been very closely connected with him in the practice of our profession in Wichita, Kansas, since 1916.

No one of my acquaintance has been more interested in the welfare of the profession of Architecture and the A.I.A. than Mr. Schmidt, and in my opinion, if anyone in the profession is deserving of such Fellowship, Mr. Schmidt certainly qualifies.

Very truly yours,

Glen H. Thomas

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GHT/nas

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CLAIR W. DITCHY
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October 12, 1950

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

Gentlemen:

May I add my support to the nomination of Mr. Lorentz Schmidt for advancement to fellowship.

For many years, I have known him as a highly respected practitioner, the quality of whose work has always been an asset to his community, and whose devotion to the profession and service to The Institute have formed valued contributions to architectural progress. The high esteem of his fellow professionals is evidenced by his election to the Board of Directors of The Institute in which capacity his discerning judgment and counsel have made him a valued member.

I believe his record clearly marks him as worthy of your consideration.

Yours very truly,

Clair W. Ditchy

CLAIR W. DITCHY, ARCHITECT

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Gentlemen:

I should like to endorse very heartily the nomination of Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt for A.I.A. Fellowship. He has earned this honor in my opinion in several ways:

First, he has a long record as an able architect with an impressive list of accomplishments in institutional as well as other types of architectural design.

Second, his equally long record of service to his professional brethern in the institute.

Third, his fine personal reputation which has in his working area added prestige to our profession.

Very truly yours,

John Normile

John Normile, A.I.A.
Building Editor

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Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
Washington, D.C.

DOUGLAS WILLIAM ORR, F. A. I. A.
ARCHITECT
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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

August 11, 1950

Gentlemen:

I take pleasure in endorsing the nomination of the Kansas Chapter for the advancement of their Regional Director, Lorentz Schmidt to Fellowship in The Institute.

My association with Mr. Schmidt on the Board gave me an opportunity to know him and his abilities and his devotion to The Institute.

I commend him for advancement.

Yours very truly,

Douglas W. Orr

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August 11, 1950

Mr. Paul Weigel, F.A.I.A.
Chairman, Committee on Fellows
Kansas Chapter, A.I.A.
Kansas State College
Manhattan, Kansas

Dear Mr. Weigel:

I am delighted to be able to send you the enclosed letter endorsing the action of the Kansas Chapter with regard to Mr. Lorentz Schmidt's nomination to Fellowship status.

With kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

CHILDS & SMITH ARCHITECTS

William Jones Smith

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August 10, 1950

Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I have followed, with enthusiasm, Mr. Lorentz Schmidt's splendid architectural work in the Southwest since he was graduated from Illinois, and recommend him most highly to you for your consideration to bring him to Fellowship status.

Mr. Schmidt's fine architectural design and sincere work are well known. He is not only an excellent architect and a splendid designer, but is a fine personality as well. I hold him in the highest regard.

Yours very sincerely,

CHILDS & SMITH ARCHITECTS

William J. Smith

William Jones Smith

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Jury of Fellows
A. I. A.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am very happy to learn that the Executive Committee of Kansas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is nominating Regional Director Lorentz Schmidt for Fellowship in the A.I.A. in recognition of his long and devoted service to the profession and to the institute.

I have known Lorentz since we entered the University of Illinois as freshmen in 1908, and have great admiration for his integrity, sincerity, and ability in the practice of our profession.

I heartily endorse his nomination.

Sincerely,

Ellis J. Potter

EJP/ajr

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HARRY B. TOUR
Architect

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Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I was delighted to learn that Lorentz Schmidt had been nominated by the Kansas Chapter for Fellowship in The Institute.

Although I have been personally acquainted with Lorentz for a relatively short time, I have known about him for a number of years. He was one of the founders of our architectural fraternity, Alpha Rho Chi, and has been active in that society since 1914. Because of his outstanding leadership he has become a symbol of the highest ideals of the fraternity and the profession, and his influence has reached far beyond his immediate circle of friends and associates.

His record as a national officer of Alpha Rho Chi and The Institute, his devotion to his profession, and his untiring service to his community are matters of common knowledge and appreciation. Election to Fellowship would be a fitting tribute to his outstanding service to The Institute and the profession.

My personal knowledge of Lorentz Schmidt's qualifications prompts me to most heartily endorse the action of the Kansas Chapter and urge that his nomination for Fellowship be given favorable consideration by the Jury of Fellows.

Very truly yours,

Harry B. Tour

Harry B. Tour

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