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CITY Los Angeles COUNTY Los Angeles  
DATE April 10, 1954

## ARCHITECTS' ROSTER QUESTIONNAIRE

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- 1 a FIRM (Indicate whether individual, partnership or corporation.)  
Van Lee Schmidt, Architect and Engineer; individual.
- b FORMER FIRM. Name if any  
Room 635, Farmers and Merchants Bank Bldg.,
- 2 STREET ADDRESS 124 West 4th Street, Los Angeles, 13, Phone MUtual 3763.
- 3 YEAR ESTABLISHED Fall 1944

#### 4 PERSONAL HISTORIES OF PRINCIPALS

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

.....Van Lee Schmidt.....  
NAME OF PRINCIPAL NAME OF PRINCIPAL

a Date of Birth March 25, 1915.....

b Place of Birth Bakersfield, Calif., USA.....

c Education Kern County Union High School, Bakersfield, Calif. June 1934  
Bakersfield Junior College, Bakersfield, Calif. 1934 to '37 part time no degree

University of Southern California, College of Architecture and Fine Arts,  
Los Angeles, California, 1937 to June &, 1941, Bachelor of Architecture.

University of Southern California, Graduate School, College of Engineering,  
Courses in Civil Engineering, leading toward M. Sc. in C.E. I.P.

#### d Experience Prior to Own Practice

(Give architect or architectural firm affiliations, positions held, and approximate dates of employment.)

John C. Austin, Engineering Draftsman, April 1, 1941 to June 11, 1941.....

City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works,.....

Engineering Draftsman, June 12, 1947; Dec. 19, 1941.....

Guy F. Atkinson & Geo. Pollock Co., Eng. Con. Fleet Operating Base, Long Beach,

Engineering Draftsman, Dec. 22, 1941; Mar. 7, 1942.....

The Fluor Corp., Engineering Drafting, March 23, 1942; Mar. 30, 1942.....

Blake E. Beatty, Engineering Drafting, April 6, 1942; April 13, 1942.....

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Structural Design Calculations; April 22, 1942; 7/1/42.....

Gordon B. Kaufman & Assoc.; Structural Design Calculations; July 2, 1942; 11/6/42.....

Howes & Whitaker, Design of Structures & Calculations; Nov. 16, 1942; 2/23/43.....

Llewellyn A. Parker, Structural Design & Calculations, Mar. 23, 1943; Nov. 1, 1944.....

e Commenced Practice December 1, 1944.....

f Number of Years a Principal..... Ten (10) Years.....

#### g Architectural Licenses (Give State, Number and Year issued.)

California Architect No. C-555; 1944.....

California Professional Civil Engineer, No. 7249; 1948.....

#### h Membership in Professional Societies and Offices Held

Member, A.I.A., 1952; Chairman Arch. Educ. Comm.; Member Ethics & Practice Comm

So. Calif. Ch. A.I.A., Associate Member '45 Member of six Committees.....

Structural Engineers Assoc. of So. Calif., Associate Member.....

American Society of Civil Engineers, Associate Member.

#### i Service in World Wars I and II (Append data if desired.)

None.....

#### j Civic Activities

None.....

**5 REMARKS CONCERNING QUALIFICATIONS OF FIRM**

(This space is best used to present qualifying information such as number of employees, amount of office space, financial information and other information presumed of interest to a prospective client. Append extra sheet or use back of this form, if necessary.)

Firm restricts its practice to Industrial and Commerical projects which have greater than average complexity in structural, economic, or planning problems. Firm has extensive experience as a consultant in the writing of specifications for construction projects for the Los Angeles District Office Corps of Engineers for Military construction for the Air Force and building construction for the Public Works Office of the Eleventh Naval District. The firm has experience the preparation of engineering economic studies and the presentation testimony in court as an expert witness. This firm does not furnish financial information to clients as this firm is in business to furnish a thorough professional service and extends this service to clients who are financially responsible enough to make advance remuneration for professional service.

**6 CONSULTANTS USUALLY EMPLOYED: (If a member of your staff, so state.)**

**a STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Van Lee Schmidt, Professional Engineer.  
Business Address 124 West 4th Street, Los Angeles, 13, Calif.

**b HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual E.L.E. Co. Hinkston & Norcross  
Business Address 4121 Santa Monica Blvd., 5657 Wilshire Blvd.,  
Los Angeles, 27, Calif. Los Angeles, 36, Calif.

**c ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual same as above.  
Business Address

**d PLUMBING OR SANITARY ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual same as above.  
Business Address

**e LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

Name of Firm or Individual none.  
Business Address

**f OTHER (Civil, Foundation or Mechanical Engineers, Appraiser, Equipment Designers, Valuators, Industrial Layout Engineers, etc.)**

L. T. Evans, Soil Mechanics Engineer & Lab.  
2600 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, 5, Calif.  
Smith- Emery Company, Testing Laboratory,  
Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

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**8 PHOTOGRAPHS/PHOTOSTATS**

Not mandatory. Submit herewith photographs or photostats (size 8" x 10") of several buildings for which you have been the Architect, as follows: (N.C.A.R.B. presentation acceptable.)

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**9 COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ARCHITECTS:**

**a** As an established individual firm, are you willing to collaborate with other firms or individuals?

..... Yes. .....

**b** Are you and/or your firm agreeable to accepting supervision of work where designs are produced by others— or vice versa?

..... Yes, provided the other firm is approved by this firm. .....

**c** List firms (or individuals) with which you are associated at present or have an associate or working agreement: (Please furnish a letter from the other party verifying the association.)

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**10 THIS QUESTIONNAIRE MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, New Agencies, and reputable biographical agencies.**

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yes  \* no

The undersigned hereby certify that the above is a true statement of facts.

Name of Firm or Individual Van Lee Schmidt, Architect and Engineer

Signed by all Principals: Van Lee Schmidt

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