

*Knecht, Frederick W.  
Grand Rapids*

*Nov 2 - U. C. Ind.*

### Application for Membership

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

*Apr 30*, 19 *27*

Prelim Fee	<i>72.50</i>
Affiliation	.....
Unan. End.	<i>yes</i>
Exhibits	<i>not req</i>
On Priv. Com.	.....

SIR:

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name *Frederick W. Knecht*

Address *2103 Lake Drive, Grand Rapids, Mich.*  
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth *New York City, Mar 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898*

Graduate in architecture. [If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture. [If required in your case, attach evidence.]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecolè des Beaux Arts. [If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter

If practicing architect, firm name *Colton & Knecht*

Have been in practice *since* years

If draughtsman, employed by [State number of years.]

Collegiate and office training *Cassere & Hastings, Addison Mizner, Smith, Hitchman & Spills, A. H. Towner, Grand Rapids Dist.*

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

*Frederick W. Knecht*  
[Signature of Applicant.]

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the [For use when the applicant is an Associate.]

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date [Insert date of election to chapter.]

*Chas Norton* Secretary.  
*Grand Rapids Chapter, A. I. A.*

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

- (1) *Henry H. Johnson*
- (2) *Fred S. Robinson*
- (3) *W. W. Howard*

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed, and in which there are no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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December 20, 1927

Mr. Frank C. Baldwin, Secretary,  
American Institute of Architects,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find applications for membership Grand Rapids  
Chapter, A.I.A.

Kenneth Rindge, Rindge & Rindge  
Frederick Knecht, Colton & Knecht  
Roger Allen of Frank Allen & Son

All three applications have the unanimous endorsement of  
this Chapter.

Yours truly,

(S) Charles Norton, Jr.  
Secretary, Grand Rapids Chapter, A.I.A.

CN:HH

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
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March 31, 1928.

Dear Mr. Knecht:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective December 31, 1927.

You have been assigned to the Grand Rapids Chapter as an Institute Member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so advised.

The enclosed statement covering dues for the year 1928 should receive prompt attention.

May I take this opportunity to say that the Office of the Secretary, at The Octagon, is for the service of every Institute Member. Should the occasion arise, we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Cordially yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht,  
2103 Lake Drive,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

K-G  
Encl.

*H. P. ...*

HARRY L. COLTON  
FREDERICK W. KNECHT  
WILLIAM H. McCARTY  
VICTOR E. THÉBAUD  
MILTON R. BLAIR

COLTON, KNECHT, McCARTY & THÉBAUD  
*Architects*  
GRAND RAPIDS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN



June 26, 1931

Mr. Frank C. Baldwin  
Secretary, American Institute of Architects  
The Octagon, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

Some time ago I received your letter informing me that my membership in the A.I.A. will be terminated unless I pay my dues in default.

The work being done by the Institute is of great benefit to the profession and I realize it needs the financial support of all the members. Losing my membership is not pleasant to anticipate and if at all possible I should appreciate a further extension.

It is needless to write why I am in default but conditions in our locality seem to be improving and it should not be long before I will be in a position to meet my obligation.

Trusting this further concession may be granted me, I am

Sincerely yours,

*F. W. Knecht*

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October 20, 1931.

Dear Mr. Knecht:

As you know, the Institute is most hopeful that you will maintain your professional society affiliations, both with the national organization and with the Grand Rapids Chapter.

Your indebtedness for Institute dues at the present time is \$75.00, including the current year.

At the Fall meeting of the Board of Directors, on November 19th, some action must be taken with respect to those delinquents who are indebted for a long period.

This letter is an informal one, to remind you of the situation, and to express the very earnest hope that you can send a check for at least \$25 by November 15th, thus permitting the Board to hold your membership in both the Institute and the Chapter for at least another year.

Please do the best you can to make the suggested payment on account.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht, A.I.A.,  
Grand Rapids Chapter, A.I.A.,  
724 Grand Rapids National Bank Bldg.,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

FCB\*B

cc- President Grand Rapids Chapter  
Secretary " " "  
Regional Director  
Great Lakes Division

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

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March 1, 1932.

Dear Mr. Knecht:

It is with genuine regret that I write, as Secretary of the Institute, to advise you of the termination of your membership in the Institute and your Chapter, effective December 31, 1931, for non-payment of Institute dues.

The Treasurer, and the Secretary's Office, sent to you various statements of account and letters in the hope that you would find it possible to make a remittance, in whole or in part, and thereby continue your affiliation with The American Institute of Architects and your Chapter.

It is realized that conditions in the building industry have remained on a most unfavorable basis during the past year, and for that reason the Institute made a special effort to retain your membership as long as possible.

It is believed that you will approve of the action taken. The alternative was to allow the dues to so increase as to make future reinstatement a heavy expense.

May I venture to express the personal hope that conditions in your locality will soon improve, and that you will then make application for reinstatement in the Institute and the Chapter?

The reinstatement procedure is easy and can be accomplished by addressing a letter to the Secretary of the Institute, through the Secretary of the local Chapter.

With best wishes, and with the hope that we may soon regain you as a member of The American Institute of Architects, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht,  
724 Grand Rapids National Bank Bldg.,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

FCB\*B

KNECHT, McCARTY & THEBAUD, Inc.

A R C H I T E C T S

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

January 26, 1939

FREDERICK W. KNECHT  
WILLIAM H. McCARTY  
VICTOR E. THEBAUD

Discontinued for non-payment dues 12-31-31  
Owed dues for 1929, 1930 and adj. dues for 1931-\$8.37  
Total \$58.37.

The ruling quoted below has been discontinued.



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

Dear Sir:

I would like to renew my Institute membership which lapsed December 31, 1931, for non-payment of dues. At that time I was \$58.33 in arrears. Prior to that time I believe I wrote to the Octagon, asking to cancel my membership because of financial embarrassment.

Added to my indebtedness, \$25.00 dues in advance would make a matter of \$83.00 expense to be reinstated. This is more than I can manage at present.

I have a letter from the Institute Secretary, dated November 7, 1934, which states that:

"\*\*\*former members will be restored to good standing in the Institute upon payment of \$25.00, which, in effect will liquidate the old account in full."

This arrangement still being effective, I would like to make application for reinstatement.

Mr. Baker, secretary of the Grand Rapids chapter, has written about me and I refer you to his letter of February 17, 1938.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F. W. Knecht".

F. W. Knecht:LF

*Mrs M  
status*

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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*Response*

February 1, 1939

Dear Mr. Knecht:

We are responding to your letter of January 26th, addressed to Mr. Ingham, and in his behalf.

It is gratifying to learn of your interest in resuming your membership in The Institute, and please be assured that we shall be glad to do all we can to be of assistance.

However, the authority granted to The Board of Directors in 1934 to accept \$25.00 for dues for the years 1931-1933, inclusive, as payment in full for all prior indebtedness, was automatically rescinded when the By-laws were revised in 1936. It would not be possible, therefore, to accept \$25.00 as payment in full at this time.

Your record is correct, in that you owed for dues in the total amount of \$58.37 when your membership lapsed on December 31, 1931; and an additional amount of \$25.00 must accompany each request for election or re-election to membership.

There is only one course which we can suggest, and that is to apply to The Board of Directors of The Institute for a remission of all or a part of your past dues which would permit you to file an application for reinstatement. The Board will meet again just prior to the Convention in 1939 (which will be held concurrently with the International Congress of Architects, in Washington, D.C.) and if you wish to present such a request we shall be glad to so arrange.

An extra copy of this letter is enclosed in case you wish to send it to the Secretary of the Grand Rapids Chapter.

Please let us hear from you again as to whether or not you wish to follow our suggestion above.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht,  
Knecht, McCarty & Thebaud, Inc.,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Executive Secretary

COPY TO

FILES      PRESIDENT      SECRETARY      TREASURER  
K/g-Enclosure



THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1939 SEP -8 AM 9:04

WASHINGTON, D. C.



GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN  
756 Bristol Ave., N. W.,

September 6, 1939

Mr. E. C. Kemper,  
American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I am transmitting herewith a letter to the Board of Directors by Mr. F. W. Knecht, asking for a remission of dues.

This I trust will be placed before the Board, and I hope with favorable action.

Mr. Knecht was a valuable member and I hope that it will be made possible for him to become reinstated.

Yours very truly,

*John P. Baker*  
John P. Baker, Secretary,  
Grand Rapids Chapter.

JPB:LF

THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1939 SEP -8 AM 9:04

WASHINGTON, D. C.

KNECHT, McCARTY & THEBAUD, Inc.  
A R C H I T E C T S  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

August 24, 1939

FREDERICK W. KNECHT  
WILLIAM H. McCARTY  
VICTOR E. THEBAUD

The Board of Directors,  
The American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Mr. Kemper's letter to me of February 1st, I desire to make application for reinstatement to Institute membership.

When my membership lapsed December 31, 1931, I owed dues in the amount of \$58.37. This, added to the annual dues in advance is a greater amount than I can meet at present.

I hereby respectfully petition for a remission of \$33.27 of my past dues, leaving a balance of \$25.00, which together with \$25.00 advance dues totals \$50.00, check for which will accompany my application for reinstatement.

Very truly yours,



F. W. Knecht:LF

~~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~~ September, 1939,  
elected

Frederick W. Knecht  
elected a corporate member of The American Institute of Architects and assigned to membership in the Grand Rapids Chapter, effective November 6, 1939.

(See Resolution #166-B-9-39)

~~Secretary~~

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RE-ELECTION TO

#### RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

APPLICATION NO AP 486

Dated August 24, 1939.  
Received September 8, 1939.  
Granted November 6, 1939.

MEMBERSHIP NO 486

- A. Name of applicant. Frederick W. Knecht..... Chapter ...Grand Rapids....
- B. Address of applicant ...Grand Rapids., Michigan.....
- C. Applicant proposed by ..... and .....
- D. Application received with check for \$50.00..... on ..... November 6, 1939.  
(Balance of dues in default-\$33.27-remitted by The Board)
- E. Application returned for correction..... 19 .
- F. Application in due order on ..... November 6, 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 ..... September 8, 1939.
- I. ~~Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission or that application be denied~~ <sup>Advice</sup> received on ..... September 8, 1939.
- J. No report from chapter executive committee on ..... 19 .
- K. Application sent to The Board of ~~Examiners~~ <sup>Directors</sup> on ..... September 20, 1939.
- L. The Board of ~~Examiners~~ <sup>Directors</sup> reported on application on ..... September 24 1939.
- M. Applicant was admitted on ..... November 6, 1939.
- N. Notice ~~and certificate~~ to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter ~~and letter to proposers~~ on ..... November 14, 1939.
- O. Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$ . . . returned to applicant on ..... 19 .

September 8, 1939

Dear Mr. Knecht:

This will acknowledge your letter of August 24th, addressed to The Board of Directors, received by reference from the Secretary of the Grand Rapids Chapter.

We shall be glad to submit your request for a remission of your indebtedness for Institute dues in the amount of \$33.27 to The Board at its meeting which convenes on September 20th for consideration and action.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer

Mr. F. W. Knecht,  
Knecht, McCarty & Thebaud, Inc.,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

K/g

Copy to the Director,  
Great Lakes District  
Secretary,  
Grand Rapids Chapter

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

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*Bob E...*

November 3, 1939

Dear Mr. Knecht:

At the meetings of The Board of Directors of The Institute in Washington, D. C., September 20-24, inclusive, the recommendation of the Grand Rapids Chapter and your request for remission of part of your indebtedness for Institute dues, in the amount of \$33.27 was presented for consideration.

At the direction of The Secretary, this letter is to advise you of the favorable action of The Board and your dues in default in the amount of \$33.27 have been remitted.

Accordingly, your application for re-election to corporate membership in The Institute may be acted upon immediately upon the receipt at The Octagon of your payment of the balance of your dues in default in the amount of \$25.00, and of the admission fee and one year's dues in advance in the amount of \$25.00, or a total of \$50.00.

We shall look forward to the receipt of this payment and to your enrollment as a member of the A.I.A. in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. F. W. Knecht,  
Knecht, McCarty & Thebaud, Inc.,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

K/g

Copy to the Secretary, Grand Rapids Chapter, A.I.A.

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KNECHT, McCARTY & THEBAUD, Inc.  
A R C H I T E C T S  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

November 6, 1939

FREDERICK W. KNECHT  
WILLIAM H. McCARTY  
VICTOR E. THEBAUD

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E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,  
The American Institute of Architects,  
The Octagon,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions contained in your letter of November 3rd, regarding my reinstatement to membership, I enclose herewith my check in the amount of \$50.00, for balance of dues in default and one year's dues in advance.

Yours very truly,

*F. W. Knecht*  
F. W. Knecht

FWK:LF

*Complete*

PAID  
\$50.00  
11/8/39 K

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

486  
COPY

Copy to the Director,  
Great Lakes District, A.I.A.

November 14, 1939

Dear Mr. Knecht:

Your letter of November 6th, with your check for \$50.00 attached has been received - \$25.00 on account of your Institute dues in default, and \$25.00 for the admission fee and one year's Institute dues in advance.

In accordance with the action of The Board of Directors, The Secretary is happy to inform you that your application for reinstatement to membership in The Institute was acted on favorably and you were re-admitted to corporate membership in The Institute and assigned to membership in the Grand Rapids Chapter effective November 6, 1939. 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.

The Board of Directors welcomes you again to membership 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 yours,

Secretary

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht, A.I.A.,  
Knecht, McCarty & Thebaud, Inc.,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Enclosure

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TELEPHONE 5831  
*Knecht*

FREDERICK W. KNECHT, A. I. A.  
ARCHITECT  
ROCKFORD, MICHIGAN  
January 12, 1948

THE AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
1948 JAN 15 AM 9:08

WASHINGTON, D. C.

The American Institute of Architects  
Washington, D.C.

Sent via	<i>BP</i>
Date	<i>1-15-48</i>
Bill sent	<i>PA</i>

Gentlemen:

Please forward the following items:

- 2.00* A.I.A Document No. 172 & 172-A
- 1.00* A.I.A Document No. 261 & 261-A
- 3.00* Pre-convention seminar papers, Grand Rapids-1947

A check for \$31.00 is enclosed to cover same and the annual dues for 1948.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*F. W. Knecht*

F.W.Knecht

*Pd. 1/20/48*



ROBINSON, CAMPAU & CROWE, INC.  
ARCHITECTS  
MICHIGAN TRUST BUILDING  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

January 24, 1966

The American Institute of Architects  
Administration Building  
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in the Institute  
after many years of good standing.

Will you please send me the proper forms for application.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,



Fred W. Knecht, Architect

FWK/pjm

Mailing Address:

Fred W. Knecht  
8950 Northland Drive  
Rockford, Michigan

*Elected 1927  
Term. 12/31/31  
readmitted 1939  
Chap. W. Mich  
Age: ?  
Res. 6 Spd. 146pd,*

*1/26/66*

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February 1, 1966

*Knecht*

Mr. Fred W. Knecht, AIA  
8950 Northland Drive  
Rockford, Michigan

Dear Mr. Knecht:

We have received your letter of January 24th and are pleased to enclose, herewith, an Application for Membership Emeritus.

If you qualify under item a or b or c, please check off the appropriate item and return the form to this office. Upon its receipt the proper action will be taken promptly.

Sincerely yours,

Maureen Marx, Manager  
Membership Procedures

cc: Secty., Western Michigan Chapter, AIA

Please advise us of Mr. Knecht's standing.

Thank you.



# Grand Valley Chapter A.I.A.

November 23, 1966

William A. Scheick FAIA  
Executive Director  
1735 New York Avenue N. W.  
Washington D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Scheick:

This is a request to have Mr. Fred Knecht  
A.I.A. membership transferred from the Western  
Michigan Chapter to the Grand Valley Chapter.

The address is:

*Frederick W.*  
Mr. Fred Knecht  
8950 Northland Drive N. E.  
Rockford, Michigan 49341

*JAM has added*

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Koteles  
Secretary  
GRAND VALLEY CHAPTER AIA

MJK:kc

*Im: W. Mich  
To: Grand Valley  
Reus: 166 fd.*

*Elected 27; dropped 31  
1939*

President—CARL J. RUDINE, 1126 McKay Tower, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502  
Vice President—J. B. NACHTEGALL, 201 Monroe, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Secretary—MICHAEL J. KOTELES, 1203 Beech Tree, Grand Haven, Michigan 49417  
Treasurer—M. BRICE McMILLEN, 1512 Woodcliff Drive, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506  
Director—ROBERT L. WOLD, 345 State Street, S.E., Grand Rapids 3, Michigan  
Director—MARVIN J. DE WINTER, 758 Cherry, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

*11/30/66*

January 6, 1967

The American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Ave. N.W.  
Washington 6, D.C.

Attn: Membership Dept.

Gentlemen:

This will confirm my request for transfer of chapter affiliation from Western Michigan to the Grand Valley Chapter.

Very truly yours,



Frederick W. Knecht A.I.A.

Frederick W. Knecht  
8959 Northland Dr.  
Rockford, Michigan 49341

1/9/67



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.  
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER

(Date) **November 30, 1966**

Member Requesting Transfer: **Mr. Frederick W. Knecht, AIA**  
Address: **8950 Northland Drive, N. E.**  
**Rockford, Michigan 49341**

From: **Western Michigan Chapter, AIA**  
(Chapter)

To: **Grand Valley Chapter, AIA** )ok  
(Chapter)

TO: THE SECRETARIES OF THE ABOVE NAMED CHAPTERS:

The member whose name appears above has requested that his membership be transferred as indicated.

In accordance with the By-laws of The Institute, we are writing to request if this proposed transfer meets with the approval of the chapter to which he desires to be transferred, and if he is in good standing in the chapter to which he is presently assigned.

Upon receipt of your advices, final action can be taken. A prompt reply will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*William H. Scheick*

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**P. S. to Mr. Knecht:**

The Secretary of the Grand Valley Chapter has advised us that you wish to transfer your chapter affiliation. In order for us to proceed with your request, we will need confirmation from you. Please send it to the attention of the Membership Department.

)ok

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4502 W. MAIN ST.

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN

Phone 381-3400

January 23, 1967

To: Maureen Marx  
From: C. A. Roessler  
Re: Membership Status, Western Michigan Chapter  
Your letter of January 17

John Dawson's transfer to Western Michigan has been approved by the Chapter Board.

Fred Knecht paid Western Michigan Chapter dues thru 1962, and our treasurer's records note "to Grand Valley" in 1963.

██████████ paid Western Michigan Chapter dues thru 1960, and our records indicate "to Grand Valley" in 1962.

In neither Knecht's nor ██████████'s case can we say they are presently in good standing with Western Michigan. Our Chapter dues were \$25. thru 1963, \$35. for 1964 and 1965, \$41. for 1966. In order to simplify things, we are willing to waive all except 1966 dues for both men.

Evidently our membership records, and those of M.S.A. for Western Michigan, need considerable improvement. I hope to get them in order within the next month.



C. A. Roessler

CAR/an

cc: Ann Stacy  
28 West Adams Ave.  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

1/25/67

*Knecht*

*PA. 1968*

January 25, 1967

*State of Michigan*

*oh*

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht, A.I.A.  
8959 Northland Drive, N. E.  
Rockford, Michigan 49341

Dear Mr. Knecht:

This is with further reference to your request to transfer your chapter affiliation.

We have heard from the President of the Western Michigan Chapter informing us that if you will pay your 1966 Chapter dues in the amount of \$41.00, the Chapter will be glad to approve your transfer to the Grand Valley Chapter.

It is hoped that this matter will be attended to at your earliest convenience whereupon prompt and final action will be taken.

Sincerely yours,

Patsy Weir Golate  
Assistant Manager  
Membership Procedures

cc: Mr. C.A. Roessler, Pres., Western Michigan Chapter, AIA  
Mr. Michael J. Koteles, Secty., Grand Valley Chapter, AIA

(Dear Mr. Roessler: Please let us know as soon as Mr. Knecht pays his dues. )

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October 11, 1968

*possible transfer*

To: Secty., Western Michigan Chapter  
Secty., Grand Valley Chapter

Fr: Maureen Marx, Mngr., Membership Procedures

Re: Frederick W. Knecht, AIA

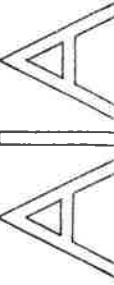
In 1966, Mr. Knecht requested that his chapter assignment be transferred from the Western Michigan Chapter to the Grand Valley Chapter.

At that time, he owed 1966 Western Michigan Chapter dues and final action has not been taken because we have received no indication that the dues were ever paid. Therefore, we still carry Mr. Knecht on our rolls as being assigned to Western Michigan. Would you please advise whether your records coincide with ours in this respect? If they do not, and both chapters consider Mr. Knecht to be a member of the Grand Valley Chapter, we will be glad to make the proper adjustment.



*Frederick W. Knecht*

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OCTOBER 15, 1968

MRS. MAUREEN MARX  
MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W.  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

DEAR MAUREEN:

IN REFERENCE TO YOUR MEMO OF OCTOBER 11, CONCERNING MR. FREDERICK W. KNECHT'S CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP STATUS.

ACCORDING TO OUR RECORDS MR. KNECHT IS STILL A MEMBER OF THE WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER AND AFTER CHECKING WITH OUR TREASURER, HIS DUES ARE PAID UP THROUGH 1968. HOWEVER, WE HAVE HIS ADDRESS AS ROCKFORD, WHICH IS IN THE GRAND VALLEY CHAPTER AREA.

WE TRUST THIS INFORMATION WILL BE HELPFUL TO YOU.

SINCERELY,

*Fran*

FRAN BUSH  
SECRETARY TO MR. KIEFER  
WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER, INC.

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Dear Fran: Thank you for the above information. We will keep Mr. Knecht on the rolls as being assigned to Western Michigan. Should he ever wish to transfer to Grand Valley, just let us know.

*Frederick W. Knecht*

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# Grand Valley Chapter A.I.A.

October 29, 1968

The American Institute of Architects

The Octagon

1735 New York Avenue N.W.

Washington, D. C. 20006

Attention: Maureen Marx

Re: October 11, 1968 letter

Dear Miss Marx:

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht informs us that he has paid his past dues to the Western Michigan Chapter and he still wishes to transfer to the Grand Valley Chapter. Our chapter still wishes to accept him as a member.

Sincerely,

  
Richard C. Koprowski, Secretary  
GRAND VALLEY CHAPTER OF A I A

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**November 7, 1968**

NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

*Effective Date* **November 1, 1968**

TO: *Transferred Member:* **Mr. Frederick W. Knecht, AIA  
8959 Northland Drive, N.E.  
Rockford, Michigan 49341**

*Transferred to:*  
*Chapter* **Grand Valley Chapter, AIA**  
*State Society* **(state organization remains the same)**

*Transferred from:*  
*Chapter* **Western Michigan Chapter, AIA**  
*State Society*

In accordance with Chapter II, Article 1, Section 7 of the By-laws of The Institute this will advise that the above-named corporate member has been transferred as indicated.

Sincerely yours,

SECRETARY

**P. S. The above action is taken in accordance with a letter from the GrandValley Chapter in which the Secretary advises that Mr. Knecht still wishes to transfer as indicated above and that the Chapter approves such transfer. We have also been informed that Mr. Knecht's dues to Western Michigan are paid through December 31, 1968. Hence, with both approvals received, there is no need to delay final action.**



*Marx*

# Grand Valley Chapter A.I.A.

September 11, 1969

William H. Scheick, FAIA  
Executive Director  
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

The Executive Board of the Grand Valley Chapter of the A.I.A. on June 9, 1969, at their monthly meeting have nominated and approved Mr. Frederick W. Knecht for Membership Emeritus in the A.I.A. and hereby submit his application for your approval. Mr. Knecht is presently in good standing in our chapter.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Koprowski, Secretary  
Grand Valley Chapter of AIA

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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 65 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 W. Mich. & Grand Valley chapter for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Date June 17, 1969

*Frederick W. French*  
(APPLICANT'S FULL SIGNATURE IN INK)

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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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

September 19, 1969

Mr. Frederick W. Knecht, AIA  
1950 Northland Drive  
Rockford, Michigan 49341

Dear Mr. Knecht:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I have elected you a Member Emeritus of The Institute as of September 19, 1969.

The Treasurer's Office of The Institute and your component organizations are being directed to adjust the records accordingly.

On behalf of The Officers and Board of Directors, I wish to take this opportunity to express my great appreciation for your support, throughout your many years of membership, of the work and projects undertaken by The Institute and its components for the cause of better architecture.

We hope that your interest in The Institute and Chapter will continue, even though you have now been relieved of all dues payments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Preston M. Bolton, FAIA