

The American Institute of Architects
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

APPLICATION NO AP20079

Dated May 11 19 64
Received June 30 19 64
Granted September 4 19 64

MEMBERSHIP NO

- A Name of applicant Merle Arthur Simpson Chapter Austin
- B Address of applicant Suite B-6, Commodore Perry Hotel, Austin, Texas
- C Application received with check for \$ 20.00 on June 30 1964
/held for add. information fm. Chapter (rec'd. 8-14-64)
- D Application ~~returned for correction~~ 19
- E Application in due order on Aug. 14 1964
- F Acknowledgments to applicant and chapter on July 7 1964 and July 27, 1964
- G Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~or that applicant be denied~~ received on June 30 1964
- H Record of registration received June 30 1964
- I The applicant has been examined as to his professional qualifications by Texas Bd. of Architectural Examiners
- J The applicant is currently registered as an architect or licensed to practice architecture in the states of Texas
- K Application sent to The Committee on Membership Aug. 28 1964
- L The Committee on Membership reported on application on Aug. 28 1964
- M The applicant was requested to furnish additional evidence of his professional qualifications on or before 19, which was received.

REPORT:

As a result of its findings on the evidence submitted The Committee on Membership unanimously reports that in its opinion the applicant is* qualified for membership in The American Institute of Architects.**

THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

Date August 28 1964

[Signature]
Chairman

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT

I, Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, hereby certify that, under authority vested in me by The Board of Directors, I have this day duly elected
Merle Arthur Simpson
to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the Austin Chapter.

Date September 4 19 64

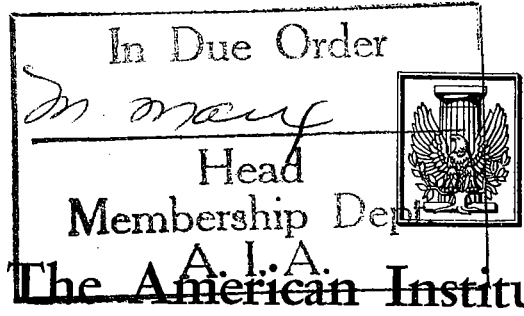
[Signature]
Secretary

- N Applicant admitted on Sept. 4 19 64
- O Notice to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter on Sept. 4 19 64
- P Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$ returned to applicant on 19

INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink.

Mail both copies to the secretary of the local Chapter of The Institute, with check for \$20.00 made payable to The American Institute of Architects.



The American Institute of Architects APPLICATION FOR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

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

- 1. My full name is MERLE ARTHUR SIMPSON
2. I am a natural citizen of the United States.
3. My legal residence is in the City of Austin
County of Travis State of Texas
4. My address in The Institute records will be Suite B-6, Commodore Perry Hotel Austin, Texas
5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as a practicing architect
6. I desire to be a member of the Austin Chapter.
7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws; and the Standards of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects...
8. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its component organizations.
9. I enclose my check for \$20.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues...

Date May 11 1964

Signature: Merle Arthur Simpson
Applicant sign full name in ink.

Paid \$20.00
6/30/64

6-30-64

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A. I. A. Form 5,000-1-63

A. I. A. Form No. H-301 5,000-1-63

M.E.R.
JULY 11

STATISTICS

10. Date of birth 9-28-1919 Place of birth Washington, Iowa

11. (a) I am registered or licensed to practice architecture in the following-named states:

Texas

(b) I passed the State Board Examination in the following-named states:

Texas

EDUCATION

12. (a) I attended high schools, private schools, colleges, universities, as follows:

| <i>Name of School, College, University</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>No. of Years</i> | <i>Year of Graduation</i> | <i>Degree</i> |
|--|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Washington High School | Washington, Iowa | 4 | 1937 | |

(b) I have held the following-named scholarships or other honor awards, and have traveled in the following-named countries:

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING *

13. I list below, in chronological order, the periods of my training as draftsman, the names and addresses of my principal employers, and my classification as draftsman while employed by each

| <i>Employer's Name-Address (include present employment)</i> | <i>Type of Business</i> | <i>Classification of Position</i> | <i>Period of Employment by month and year</i> |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Wyatt C. Hedrick 5201 Fannin, Houston, Tex. | Architect-Engineer | Draftsman | June, 1948 - January, 1949 |
| R. Newell Waters 1st National Bank Bldg. Weslaco, Texas | Architect | Draftsman | Feb., 1949 - March, 1956 |
| Self-employed (J. A. McCammon | Designer Architect | Field Supervision | March, 1956 - Aug., 1962 Aug., 1959 - May 1960) |
| Gulfmont Hotel Co. & Lakeway Land Co. Austin, Texas | Resort De- velopment | Staff Designer | Aug. 1962 - April 15, 1964 |

*(NOTE: Applications must conclusively show that applicant has had three full years of experience in architectural work, in offices, governmental employment, or teaching, in addition to graduation from an architectural school; or eight full years of such experience without formal education; or equivalent combinations of both of the foregoing.)

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PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

14. I list below, in chronological order, the periods during which and the states in which I have practiced architecture as an individual or as a member of a firm or corporation or as a public official or have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith up to present time. (State names of firms or corporations or public office and of schools or colleges.)

From To

15. Is architecture your principal vocation? Yes

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

16. I list below other business in which I participate or own an interest, and the extent of such participation or interest.

Lakeway Land Company - Lakeway Inn and Marina - Stock Option (4%)
Austin, Texas

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS AND APPLICATIONS
IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

See letter attached

17. I have previously applied for membership or associateship in the _____ chapter of The American Institute of Architects. The details concerning this application are as follows:

- 18. Member of Institute from _____ to _____
- 19. Junior of Institute from _____ to _____
- 20. Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 21. Junior Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 22. Student Associate of _____ Chapter from _____ to _____
- 23. Member of State Organization in _____ from _____ to _____

REFERENCES

Five references are required, at least three of whom shall be corporate members of The Institute in good standing. Member references must be available for personal contact by the local chapter officers.

Handwritten initials: DAD, DAB, DAD

| | | |
|---|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Charles Granger | , AIA | 403 East 15th - Austin, Texas |
| <i>*Member</i> | | <i>Address</i> |
| Zeb Rike | , AIA | 1101 Vine - McAllen, Texas |
| <i>*Member</i> | | <i>Address</i> |
| Charles B. Croft | , AIA | 1426 W. Highway 77 - Harlingen, Texas |
| <i>*Member</i> | | <i>Address</i> |
| Franklin W. Denius, Attorney - Clark Thomas Harris Denius & Winters - | Austin, Texas | Brown Building |
| <i>Reference</i> | | <i>Address</i> |
| F. E. Knapp - Knapp Motor Company | | Weslaco, Texas |
| <i>Reference</i> | | <i>Address</i> |

* Type or print full names of references.

MERLE A. SIMPSON, ARCHITECT

JULY 11, 1964

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE NW
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

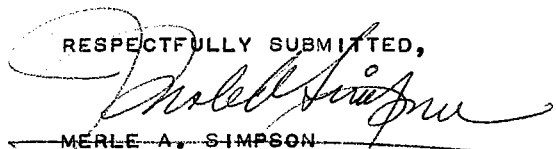
GENTLEMEN:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF 7, JULY.

CONCERNING MY STATUS SINCE APRIL 15, 1964, PLEASE ADVISE THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP THAT THIS OFFICE WAS OPENED FOR THE GENERAL PRACTICE OF ARCHITECTURE ON APRIL 15TH AND MY STATUS IS PRINCIPAL.

I LOOK FORWARD TO ASSOCIATION WITH THE INSTITUTE AND TRUST ALL NECESSARY DATA FOR APPROVAL OF SUCH ASSOCIATION IS NOW IN YOUR HANDS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,


~~MERLE A. SIMPSON~~

TEXAS REGISTRATION NO. 2893

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7-16-64



RECORD OF REGISTRATION

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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10,000-7-68

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Austin
(Chapter)

P. O. Box 443, Austin, Texas
(Address)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS.
Address

Merle A. Simpson
(Name of Applicant)

Dear Sir:

The above named applicant for membership in The American Institute of Architects is an architect practicing in your state.

To qualify for such membership, an applicant must be registered or licensed by the state to practice architecture therein.

Will you please answer the following questions relating to the applicant's registration, to assist The Institute in determining his eligibility for membership? A duplicate of the form is enclosed for your files.

Date May 4 1964

William R. O'Connell
Chapter President Chapter Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? Yes or by exemption?
3. What was the scope of the examination? NCARB Syllabus
4. What was the period of the examination? 4 days. Written examination 36 hours; Oral examination _____ hours.
5. When examined, did applicant have a certificate from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards? _____ If so, give Certificate No. _____
6. Date of first registration July 22, 1963. Registration No. 2847. Is it current? Yes

John D. Flowers, Jr.
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date June 10, 1964

TEXAS BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS
(Name of Board)

6-30-64

A.I.A. Form H-315
10,000-7-68

*Suspense
Application*

July 7, 1964

Mr. Merle Arthur Simpson
Suite B-6, Commodore Perry Hotel
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Simpson:

Your application for membership in The Institute and its Austin Chapter, dated May 11, 1964, was received here on June 30, 1964, with your check for \$20.00 attached. Your desire to become a member of The Institute is appreciated by The Board.

However, you have not supplied information as to your Professional Practice since April 15, 1964 - the last date given on your application.

The Committee on Membership will want to know how you have been employed since that time, and, specifically, whether you are presently practising architecture as an individual or affiliated with another architectural firm. In the latter even, please indicate the position you hold with this firm.

Please send this additional information which will be added to your application, and The Secretary will do all he can to expedite its consideration.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Patsy Weir Golato
Assistant Manager
Membership Procedures

PWG/

cc: Secretary, Austin Chapter, AIA

July 27, 1964

S-110

Mr. William R. O'Connell, President
Austin Chapter, AIA
504 West 7th Street
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

In reviewing the application for corporate membership of Mr. Merle Arthur Simpson, we note under item 16, page 3, a statement on which we would like more information from you.

From the information furnished, Mr. Simpson has a 4% stock option in Lakeway Land Company and Lakeway Inn and Marina in Austin. We note also that he was formerly affiliated with Lakeway Land Company as Staff Designer.

The only question here is whether Mr. Simpson's stock interest in Lakeway Land Company can be represented as an interest in a construction concern which might later cause anyone to believe he is in violation with Part 1, paragraph 1.5 of the Mandatory Standards which reads, "An Architect shall not engage in building contracting."

We have no way to form a judgement on the matter and presume your knowledge of the local situation will enable you to advise.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Scheick, AIA
Executive Director

WHS/m

O'CONNELL AND PROBST, ARCHITECTS
MEMBERS, AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

504 WEST SEVENTH STREET
GR. 8-8118 AUSTIN, TEXAS

August 7, 1964

Mr. William H. Scheick
Executive Director
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Ave. N.W.
Washington D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Scheick:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 29, 1964, relative to the application for corporate membership of Mr. Merle Arthur Simpson.

This chapter has investigated Mr. Simpson's connection with Lakeway Land Co. and Lakeway Inn and Marina in Austin and find that there is nothing in his connection that might be considered in violation with Mandatory Standards.

We have also asked Mr. John Flowers to comment on this and a copy of his letter is attached.

Sincerely yours,

no attachment
William R. O'Connell
William R. O'Connell, President
Austin Chapter AIA

Enclosure:

WRO/sb

8-14-64

September 4, 1964

Mr. Merle Arthur Simpson, A.I.A.
Suite B-6, Commodore Perry Hotel
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Simpson:

The Board of Directors of The American Institute of Architects takes pleasure in informing you that it has acted favorably on your application and welcomes you to corporate membership in The Institute.

In approximately two months you will receive a certificate of membership duly executed by the officers of The Institute.

You are assigned to the Austin Chapter and the Texas Society of Architects of The AIA, effective September 4, 1964.

I sincerely hope that you will take an active and interested part in your Chapter activities. The Chapter is the cornerstone of The Institute's strength where the policies which advance our profession are developed. Members who are active in Chapter affairs gain the most from AIA as professional men and provide the leadership which AIA needs to meet the challenges and opportunities which the future holds for architecture.

I want you to know that The Secretary's Office is at your service to the fullest extent of its powers.

By direction of The Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Scheick, A.I.A.
Executive Director

1/9/75

HOUSTON CHAPTER
AMERICAN INSTITUTE
OF ARCHITECTS
2804 VIRGINIA
HOUSTON, TX

GENTLEMEN :

I WOULD LIKE TO TRANSFER MEMBERSHIP
IN TSA/AIA FROM AUSTIN TO HOUSTON.

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HANDLING THIS
TRANSFER & ADVISING ME OF YOUR CHAPTER
DUES, MTC DATES, ETC.

AT THE MOMENT, PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS
PRE CLUDE MY ATTENDANCE AT EVENING
MEETINGS, BUT I TRUST THIS SITUATION
WILL ADJUST WITHIN A FEW MONTHS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

MERLE A. SIMPSON
2201 FOUNTAINVIEW #29
HOUSTON, TX 77027

PH. 869-8501-43 DAYS ONLY



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Notice of Transfer of Membership

To: Mr. Merie A. Simpson, AIA
2201 Fountainview, #29
Houston, Texas 77027

From: Austin Chapter, AIA

To: Houston Chapter, AIA
(State assignment remains the same)

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION: Corporate

EFFECTIVE DATE OF TRANSFER: February 7, 1975

The Secretary of the Institute hereby notifies you that the chapter and state assignment of the above named has been transferred as noted above.

Please adjust your records accordingly.

Date February 10 1975

(SECRETARY)

MERLE A. SIMPSON, A. I. A., ARCHITECT
ROBERT S. SIMPSON, ASSOCIATE ARCHITECT

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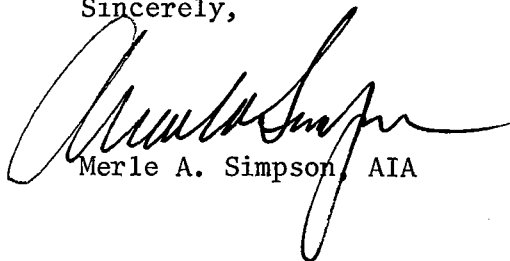
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ANNOUNCEMENT

MERLE A. SIMPSON, AIA announces opening of offices @ 3605 Katy Frwy., Suite 104, Houston, Texas, 77007, and @ 801 Quince, Suite B, McAllen, Texas, 78501. ROBERT S. SIMPSON will be Associate-in-Charge in McAllen.

We would appreciate your publishing this announcement in your next issue.

Sincerely,



Merle A. Simpson, AIA

SIMPSON, Merle A.; SIMPSON, Robert S.

