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APPENDIX B.

Answered \_\_\_\_\_

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP,  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 1900

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects:

SIR: I respectfully apply for Associate membership in the American Institute of Architects. I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and agree, if elected, to honorably maintain and obey them.

My full name is Herman J. Esser  
My address is 425-428 82 Wisconsin St

I am employed by Self  
I am a member of the firm of no partner

I began the study of architecture in the year 1883  
I began the independent practice of architecture in the year 1888

The accompanying photographs show buildings or other work designed by me.

No. 1 is \_\_\_\_\_  
(Give description of same.)

No. 2 is \_\_\_\_\_

No. 3 is \_\_\_\_\_

The accompanying drawings are \_\_\_\_\_  
(Give description of any drawings the applicant may choose to submit.)

Respectfully submitted,

Herman J. Esser  
(Signature of applicant.)

We, the undersigned Fellows or Associates of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the above statement, and believe it to be accurate. We know Mr. Herman J. Esser personally, are familiar with his professional work and practice and desire his election as an Associate Member of the American Institute of Architects.

(The signatures of three Institute Members are here required.)

R. M. Gilbert  
Fred Charlton  
W. A. Holbrook

We, the undersigned residents of Milwaukee Wis know Mr. Herman J. Esser personally, and believe him to be capable in his profession and honorable in all his dealings.

(Here the candidate may secure the signatures of residents in the city or town wherein he is at present practicing. The address of each indorser must follow his name.)

Fred Vogel 1<sup>st</sup> Ave & Oregon St.  
Robert G. Camp 1104 East Water St.  
Grant Horowitz 460 Broadway

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The accompanying photographs, numbered respectively 1, 2 and 3, show completed buildings erected from my plans and under my supervision. No. 1 is a (here give general description of building)

Size 100 X 120 Four story Brick & Terra Cotta, Steel Construction  
Additions to Postdam Home for the Aged

No. 2 do. Power Station for the Milwaukee Street Ry & L.R. Co.  
Showing building under construction Steel Frame Work

No. 3 do. Green-Cathedral Church Size 150 X 225 photograph showing  
building under construction

HERMAN J. ESSER, ARCHITECT  
-82 E. WISCONSIN AVE., MILWAUKEE



Dec 7

1930

American Institute of Architects  
Frank C Baldwin Secretary  
The Octagon

Washington D. C.

Gentlemen

As I have retired three (3) years past  
from practicing architect. I would  
respectfully ask you to accept my  
resignation as member of The Am. Inst of Architects  
and release me of paying any further dues

Yours very respectfully  
Herman J. Esser.

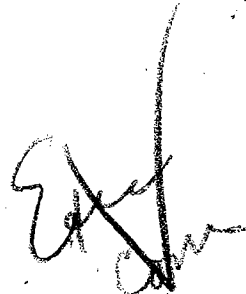
4232 No. Lake Drive  
Milwaukee  
Wisc

Member since 1901.  
1930 Dues Paid  
HJE

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 13, 1930

Dear Mr. Esser:

We have your letter of December 9th, advising that in view of your retirement from the active practice of architecture you wish to submit your resignation as a member of The American Institute of Architects, to release you from the payment of any further dues.

Before acting on your resignation, we wish to call to your attention the provision of the By-laws which allows a member who has been actively engaged in the practice of architecture for ten years or more, and shall then have retired from active practice, to retain the rights and obligations of membership and to be placed on the retired list, exempt from the payment of any dues.

A marked circular, containing excerpts from the By-laws, is enclosed, and if you believe you would be eligible to be placed on the retired list, we shall be glad to <sup>suggest</sup> take such action at the next meeting of the Executive Committee, scheduled for about February first.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Herman J. Esser,  
4232 North Lake Drive,  
Milwaukee, Wisc.

Executive Secretary.

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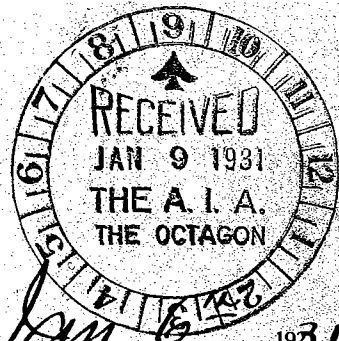
PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER



HERMAN J. ESSER, ARCHITECT  
82 E. WISCONSIN AVE., MILWAUKEE  
4252 N. Lake Drive



The American Inst of Architects  
Edward C Kemper Ex Secretary  
Washington D. C.

Dear Mr Kemper

I have your letter of Dec 13/30 relating to being placed  
on the retired list exempt from payment of any further dues  
I have read Article 10 Retirement of Members Exempt By Laws AIA  
and in accordance with same believe that I am  
fully eligible to be placed on the retired list  
I have always been (during past 40 years) and am at  
present in good standing with A.I.A. and also with  
local Wisconsin Chapter

I would kindly ask you to suggest my name  
being placed on retired list at the next meeting  
of your Executive Committee and oblige

Sincerely yours

Herman J Esser

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 12, 1931

Dear Mr. Esser:

Your letter of January 6th, applying for retired membership, has been duly received, and we shall be glad to take up the matter with the Executive Committee at its next meeting, which is now scheduled for the first part of March.

As soon as we can do so, we shall be glad to advise you of the action taken at that meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Herman J. Esser,  
4232 N. Lake Drive,  
Milwaukee, Wisc.

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Copy to the Secretary,  
Wisconsin Chapter.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 11, 1931.

Dear Mr. Esser:

With further reference to your application for retirement:

We find that in order to comply with a technical requirement it is necessary for you to submit a letter stating under what conditions you desire retirement, namely, on account of physical disability or on account of age limit. (See attached marked copy of Extracts from the By-Laws).

We are indeed sorry we did not make this clear to you in our former correspondence, and hope that you will send the required letter in order that action may be taken on your retirement at the meeting of the Board of Directors, to be held in San Antonio from April 10 to 12, 1931.

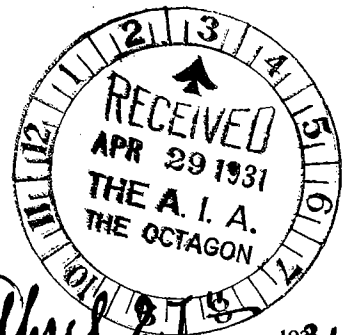
Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Herman J. Esser,  
4332 N. Lake Drive,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

K-G  
Encl.

HERMAN J. ESSER, ARCHITECT  
82 E. WISCONSIN AVE., MILWAUKEE  
4232 N-Lake Drive



April 27 1931

Mr Edward C Kemper Ex Sec  
Am Inst of Architects  
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr Kemper

Pardon for not replying to your letter of March 11/31  
I have been away from Milwaukee for the past four months

In answer to your letter wish to say relating to  
my retirement from active practice of architecture  
is due to my physical condition and partly due  
to my age. Hoping your Board of Directors  
will take favorable action. I have no intention of  
engaging in any other business or trade.

I am yours sincerely  
Herman J Esser



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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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May 21, 1931

Dear Mr. Esser:

Your letter of April 27th was received promptly, but too late to permit the consideration of your case at the April meetings of the Board of Directors.

However, your letter appears to complete the matter and we shall be glad to submit it to the next meeting of the Executive Committee or Board for consideration, and you will be advised promptly thereafter of the action taken.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Herman J. Esser,  
4232 N. Lake Drive,  
Milwaukee, Wisc.

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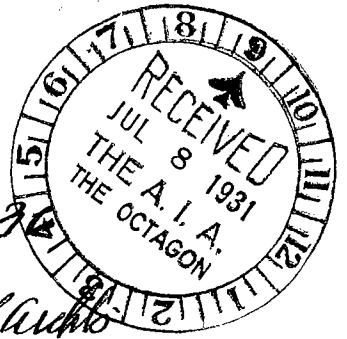
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SECRETARY

TREASURER

HERMAN J. ESSER  
Architect  
4232 N. LAKE DRIVE  
MILWAUKEE



July 6<sup>th</sup> 1931

Mr. Edson Bergstrom Treas Am Inst of Archts  
Otagon Washington Dc

Dear Sir

December 9<sup>th</sup> 1930 I addressed  
Mr. Frank C. Baldwin Secretary requesting to be  
placed on the retired list, and to be released  
from paying any further dues,  
not practicing architecture since 1928  
account physical condition and age.

Again during 1931 - March 11<sup>th</sup> & April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
I had further replies from Mr. Edward C. Kemper Ex Sec.  
to which I replied under date of April 27/31  
I am returning herewith statement of Dues 1931  
from which I kindly ask to be exempt from payment

Sincerely Yours  
Herman J. Esser

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subd for exp 1931

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Not Board

July 9, 1931

Dear Mr. Esser:

Your letter of July 6th to Mr. Bergstrom has been called to my attention.

You are correct in your statements, and your application for retirement is pending for consideration by the Board of Directors at its next meeting, to be held in November.

Please disregard the statement for 1931 dues until you hear further from this office with regard to your retirement.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Herman J. Esser,  
4232 N. Lake Drive,  
Milwaukee, Wisc.

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December 19, 1931.

Dear Mr. Esser:

The Minutes of the November meeting of the Board of Directors have been approved and we are now in a position to write the formal letters.

This will advise that the Board, by resolution, placed you on the retired list of the Institute, effective December 31, 1930.

This makes no change in your status as an active member except that it relieves you of the payment of Institute dues.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Herman J. Esser,  
4232 N. Lake Drive,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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