

Underwood, Gilbert Stanley
Southern California

Application for Membership

No 2497.

October 2, 1926

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

SIR:

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

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Gilbert Stanley Underwood.

Address 730 South Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California.
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Oneida, New York June 5, 1890.

Graduate in architecture Yale University B.F.A. Harvard University, M.A.
[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 Southern California Chapter

If practicing architect, firm name Gilbert Stanley Underwood & Co.

Have been in practice Four years

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

Collegiate and office training Fifteen years Office training

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.

Gilbert Stanley Underwood
[Signature of Applicant.]

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

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date June 28 1926.

[Insert date of election to chapter.]

Edgar H. Elmer Secretary.

Don Calby 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.

Registration or License Number.

If the applicant resides or has his principal place of business in a Registration or License law state the current number of his Registration or License should be noted here.

(.....)
NUMBER

- (1) *[Signature]*
- (2) *[Signature]*
- (3) *[Signature]*

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required even if 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.]

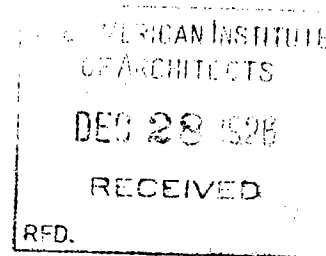
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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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LOS ANGELES, CAL.



December 6, 1926.

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

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find application from Mr. Gilbert Stanley Underwood for Institute Membership in the American Institute of Architects, together with his check for \$5.00.

Mr. Underwood's name was submitted to the members of the Southern California Chapter for unanimous endorsement, and copies of the following documents in connection therewith are enclosed:

- (a) Copy of Resolution adopted by the Executive Committee under date of October 18, 1926, authorizing thirty day letter ballot for unanimous endorsement.
- (b) Copy of Resolution adopted by the Executive Committee under date of November 29, 1926, declaring result of letter ballot.
- (c) Copy of letter ballot.
- (d) Application Form - (Document No. 136).

Yours very truly,

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

BY Edgar H. Cline
Secretary.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

RESOLUTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
DECLARING RESULT OF LETTER BALLOT
(Unanimous endorsement).

WHEREAS: Mr. Gilbert Stanley Underwood, 730 South Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California, having regularly applied for membership in the American Institute of Architects, and the Executive Committee under authority of Section 3 of Article IV of the by-laws of the Chapter, having by resolution authorized a letter ballot on such application for members of the Chapter, and

WHEREAS, the ballots cast have been duly canvassed this day by the Executive Committee, the result of which is as follows:

Number of votes cast	66
Number of votes favorable	65
Number of votes unfavorable	1

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That this Executive Committee does hereby authorize the Secretary of the Chapter to file the application together with copy of this resolution, a copy of resolution of this Committee authorizing the letter ballot and a copy of the letter ballot with the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

BY *Barbara J. Underwood*
President.

BY *E. H. Underwood*
Secretary.

Dated: November 29, 1926.

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

COPY

March 7, 1927

Dear Mr. Underwood:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective March 7, 1927.

You have been assigned to the Southern California 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 last three-quarters of the current year 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. Gilbert Stanley Underwood,
730 South Los Angeles Street,
Los Angeles, Calif.

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COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

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

COPY

February 20, 1936.

Dear Mr. Underwood:

We write with regret to advise you of the termination of your membership in the Institute and the Chapter to which you are assigned, effective December 31, 1935.

As stated in the Notice of December 6th, the Board of Directors extended the time limit for payment of dues in default to January 31. It directed that 1936 dues be not charged against the accounts of those memberships so terminated.

The Officers and Board sincerely hope that as soon as improved conditions enable you to renew your support of the Institute and the Chapter you will apply for reinstatement in the manner indicated on the enclosed excerpt.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

K:G
Enclosure

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Mr. Gilbert Stanley Underwood
14 Floor
408 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

9-17-36

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Gilbert Stanley Underwood - paid \$20.00 for 1936 dues 9-11-36.

He was dropped for non-payment dues 12-31-35 and at that time owed \$30.00.

He paid the above delinquent dues of \$30.00 on March 16, 1936.

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P.C. attached.

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January 1, 1936	
DR.	
Ar.	\$20 00

NOTICE	
The annual dues for 1936 will be payable by you unless you terminate your membership by default on January 31, 1936, notice of which possibility has been sent you recently. If your membership is so terminated, the Board has ordered the 1936 dues herewith billed you to be cancelled and not added to the amount of your default.	
<div style="text-align: right;">PAID DATE <u>2002 7/11/36</u> for <u>1936 dues</u></div>	
Mr. Gilbert Stanley Underwood, 14th Floor, 408 So. Spring Street, Los Angeles, Cal.	
Remittances received after the 28th not credited hereon. Please call attention to any change in your address.	

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Memorandum - See letter from Southern California Chapter to the effect that it does not recommend the reinstatement of Mr. Gilbert Underwood - dated July 7, 1936 (File 3-2 Southern California Chapter)

9-17-36

F.H.Gervais

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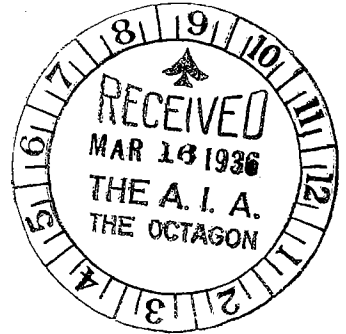
GILBERT STANLEY UNDERWOOD AND CO.

14TH FLOOR
408 S. SPRING
LOS ANGELES
MUTUAL 5698

February 10, 1936.

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

Attention: Edwin Bergstrom, Treasurer.



Dear Sir:

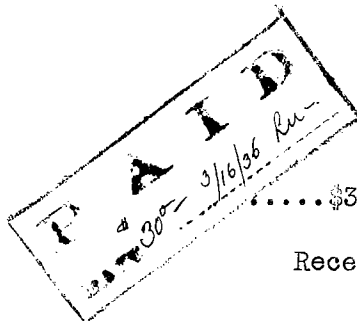
Delay in the enclosed remittance for Mr. Underwood is because he has been out of the city for more than one year and the matter badly neglected by this office, therefore, respectfully ask that the account be placed in good standing and that a notice covering the 1936 dues be presented to us.

Cordially yours,

Gilbert Stanley Underwood & Co.

By Stanley S. Stonaker
Secretary

GL/SSS



.....\$30.00 pays dues in full to 12-31-35.

Received termination letter of 2-20-36.

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

COPY

March 23, 1936

Dear Mr. Stonaker:

Replying to your letter of February 10th, received at The Octagon on March 16th.

We acknowledge receipt of \$30 in payment of Mr. Gilbert Stanley Underwood's dues in full, as of December 31, 1935, and we are gratified to learn that Mr. Underwood desires to apply for reinstatement in the American Institute of Architects and in the Southern California Chapter.

The enclosed copy of excerpts from the By-Laws relating to reinstatement is self-explanatory. We would suggest that you write to the Secretary of the Southern California Chapter, Mr. George J. Adams, 5514 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, stating the facts and requesting reinstatement.

As soon as the request for reinstatement, properly approved by the Southern California Chapter, is received at The Octagon, it can be put forward to the Secretary for immediate action.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

PHW/L

Mr. Stanley S. Stonaker, Secretary
Gilbert Stanley Underwood and Co.
14th Floor - 408 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

COPY TO

FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

Gilbert S. Underwood, 71, Top Architect for U. S.

Gilbert Stanley Underwood, 71, a nationally prominent architect who designed several Federal buildings here, died Thursday at his home in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., after a brief illness.

Mr. Underwood designed the first unit of the new State Department Building, the General Accounting Office and the Clinical Center of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda while serving with the Federal Government.

He first came to Washington in 1943 as consulting architect to the Public Buildings Branch of the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department. Mr. Underwood next worked as supervising architect of the Federal Works Agency and the General Services Administration.

Hundreds of Buildings

Besides designing buildings in Washington, Mr. Underwood also was responsible for the design of several hundred other Federal buildings throughout the United States, including the Federal Court House in Los Angeles and the San Francisco Mint.

At national parks and resorts, he designed Timberline Lodge on Mount Hood, the Ahwahnee Hotel in Yosemite, a lodge at Sun Valley, the



G. S. UNDERWOOD

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Grand Teton Lodge in Jackson Hole, Wyo.; the "North Rim" Brice and Zion Lodges at Grand Canyon, and Williamsburg Lodge in Williamsburg, Va.

A native of Oneida, N. Y., Mr. Underwood studied architecture at the State Universities of Illinois and Michigan and received his bachelor's degree in architecture from Yale. He received a master's degree from Harvard, where he was a member of the honorary fraternity Tau Sigma Delta and a charter member of the Masonic Order of the Harvard Lodge of Cambridge.

Railroad Architect

After leaving Harvard, he settled on the West Coast, establishing his own firm in Los Angeles. He became known for his design of office buildings and civic structures in the Los Angeles area. He also was consulting architect to the Union Pacific Railroad and designed many western railroad stations, including the Omaha (Nebr.) terminal.

Mr. Underwood retired from Federal service in 1954 and moved to Fort Lauderdale.

He leaves his wife, Ann Masia, of the home address in Fort Lauderdale; a daughter, Mrs. Ann Gilbert Kulish of Doylestown, Pa.; a son, Gilbert Stanley Underwood, Jr., of 5905 Cranston road, Wood Acres, Md., and four grandchildren.

*Underwood,
Gilbert*

Gilbert Stanley Underwood, 71, nationally famed Architect, died Thursday August 3, 1961, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, after a brief illness. He was born in Oneida, New York.

Mr. Underwood achieved national prominence through his architectural designs of lodges and hotels in historical vacation parks and resorts throughout the United States and for his contribution to the Nation's Federal buildings.

He studied architecture in the State Universities of Illinois and Michigan and held a BS degree in Architecture from Yale University and a Masters degree from Harvard University. He was a member of the honorary fraternity Tau Sigma Delta, and was one of the Charter Members of the Masonic Order of the Harvard Lodge of Cambridge.

After graduation Mr. Underwood settled on the West Coast establishing his own firm in Los Angeles, California. He rapidly became known for his design of office buildings and for civic structures in Los Angeles. He also became Consulting Architect to the Union Pacific Railroad and designed many railway stations throughout the west, including the outstanding Union Terminal in Omaha.

In 1934 Mr. Underwood came to Washington, D.C. as Consulting Architect to the Public Buildings Branch of the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department. Later, under the Federal Works Agency and the General Services Administration he was Supervising Architect, serving under three Presidents. He was responsible for the design of several hundred Federal buildings throughout the United States. Some of the buildings in Washington, D.C. and throughout the Nation, which are the product of his style and talent, are the first unit of the State Department Building, the General Accounting Office, the Federal Courts Building, the Clinical Center of the National

Institutes of Health in Washington, the Federal Court House in Los Angeles, and the San Francisco Mint.

Mr. Underwood added to the natural beauty of many of our national parks and vacation resorts through his imaginative design of Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood, the Ahwahnee Hotel in Yosemite, Sun Valley in Idaho, Grand Teton the 'North Rim', Bryce and Zion Lodges of the Grand Canyon, Lodge in Jackson Hole Wyoming, and Williamsburg Lodge, Williamsburg, Virginia.

In 1954 he retired from the Federal Service to Fort Lauderdale where he resided until his death. He is survived by his wife, Ann Masia Underwood, 2700 NE 34th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; ^{his} a daughter, Ann Gilbert Kulish, Doylestown, Pennsylvania; ^{his} a son, Gilbert Stanley Underwood, Jr., of Washington, D.C., and four grandchildren.

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