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CONFIDENTIAL

Frederic R. von Grossmann, AIA is being nominated to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects in Service to The Institute; Public Service; and Design.

(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

I have known Mr. Von Grossman for the past eight years as an active member of Wisconsin Association of Architects. His many positions and responsibilities have been diligently carried out. In the last five years his work on the Insurance and Sureties Committee has received many favorable comments from not only Institute members but representatives of Insurance and Surety Bonding Companies. He has instigated and conducted workshops and seminars at National and Regional Conventions.

Factual

Activity

In the space below, please list any further details about this activity which you can provide on the basis of direct personal experience, and explain why you would consider it a significant accomplishment in the advancement of the profession of Architecture. Additional information may be submitted on an attached sheet, but the Jury prefers the material to be brief and pertinent.

I have known the nominee for eight years in the relationship of fellow architect.

Signed *Leon Chatelain, Jr.*

Typed Signature Leon Chatelain, Jr., P.A.I.A.

Date October 26, 1964

Wash - Ind.

OCT 27 1964

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Mr. von Grossman's outstanding performance as an individual and as a Committeeman in all related areas of Insurance and Sureties alone, in my opinion, qualifies him for advancement to Fellowship in the category of Service to The Institute.

Activity

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Throughout my eight year's association as a staff member at Institute headquarters, I have been directly aware of Mr. von Grossman's energetic and persistent contributions to the Profession, first at the Chapter and State organization levels, and in the latter five years, as a member and Chairman of the AIA's Insurance and Sureties Committee.

I have known the nominee for 8 years in the relationship of member to member member to staff

Signed Theodore W. Dominick

Typed Signature Theodore W. Dominick, AIA

Date 26 October 1964

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Service to the Institute in Chapter, State Association and the Institute in various activities.

Activity

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My own personal knowledge of nominee is limited to my service with him on the Institute Insurance and Sureties Committee. During that period I have been very favorably impressed by his energy and enthusiasm and the devoted service he has given the Institute.

I have known the nominee for five years in the relationship of fellow committee member

Signed Louis Justement

Typed Signature Louis Justement, F.A.I.A.

Date October 23, 1964

Handwritten initials

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Member and Chairman of Committee on Insurance and Sureties, American Institute of Architects.

Activity

Activity

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The undersigned has personal knowledge of the great contribution the nominee has made in Service to The Institute as a fellow member and in his chairmanship of the Insurance and Sureties Committee. He has also done extensive service with the Documents Review Committee. As a member of the Insurance and Sureties Committee, the nominee has contributed greatly through his sub-chairmanship of various sub-committees; viz., Retirement, Investments, etc. He has always been one to give valuable counsel as a member and as chairman of the committee and has been outstanding in his administration of the work of the committee. During his service as a member and as chairman, the committee has instituted various insurance programs commended by The Institute including Professional Liability Insurance; Life Insurance; Major Medical Insurance; Accident Insurance; and has held conferences with Surety representatives with a view to improving the writing of Surety Bonds.

I have known the nominee for seven years in the relationship of member and chairman of the Committee on Insurance and Sureties, AIA.

Signed [Signature]
Typed Signature Raymond S. Kastendieck, FAIA
Date November 12, 1964

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Service to the Institute.

Passive

Activity

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Mr. von Grossmann served on the AIA National Committee on Insurance and Sureties as a member, sub-committee chairman, vice-chairman and chairman since 1959. He has served with dedicated application to each of his tasks, and throughout the greater part of 1964 he conducted the committee's successful efforts in negotiating means of saving the program of Professional Liability Insurance which had been in imminent danger of collapse.

I have known the nominee for two (2) years in the relationship of member of the AIA Committee on Insurance and Sureties.

Signed

John Nelson Linn

Date November 5, 1964

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I have personal knowledge of the many services that Mr. von Grossmann has performed for the Wisconsin Association of Architects and The American Institute of Architects.

Activity

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In particular I am a Corresponding Member of the A.I.A. Insurance and Surities Committee. In this connection I have been very impressed with the great service this committee has performed under the Chairmanship of Mr. von Grossmann.

I have known the nominee for 15 years in the relationship of Friend and fellow Committee Member

Signed John R. Magney
Typed Signature John R. Magney, AIA

Date November 6, 1964

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Activity

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Having known and worked with Mr. Von Grossmann on the National Insurance and Sureties Committee for the past five years, I can attest as to his ability to get things done and as a group leader. I feel Fritz deserves Institute recognition and do highly recommend his advancement to Fellow.

I have known the nominee for.....five.....years in the relationship of National Committee Insurance & Sureties

Signed

Albert B. Thomas AIA

Typed Signature

Albert B. Thomas, AIA

Date

November 5, 1964

Central Valley Cal.

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Member, Vice-Chairman and Chairman of Insurance and Surèties Committee.

Annual

Activity

In the space below, please list any further details about this activity which you can provide on the basis of direct personal experience, and explain why you would consider it a significant accomplishment in the advancement of the profession of Architecture. Additional information may be submitted on an attached sheet, but the Jury prefers the material to be brief and pertinent.

The profession of architecture has been increasingly threatened in our economy by the spectre of legal liability for negligent professional acts. The Institute insurance program has needed the wisdom and devotion of a guiding hand such as Fritz von Grossmann's during this tenuous period. He has willingly, and without regard to personal sacrifice, given his greatest efforts to this clouded issue, and has led the committee with the brightly burning torch of his zeal for the best interests of the Institute and Architecture.

I have known the nominee for 5 years in the relationship of committee member

Signed *George M. White*

Typed Signature George M. White, AIA

Date October 27, 1964 *Cleveland*

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RALPH KLOPPENBURG F.A.I.A.

JACK KLOPPENBURG A.I.A.



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November 18, 1964

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

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my recommendation to advance Frederick R. Von Grossman to Fellowship for service to the Institute and particularly for his diligent work in the Insurance Field.

This letter is late for the following reason which I should like to relate to you at this time. I have been a member of the Fellowship Committee in Wisconsin with Mr. Edgar H. Berners F.A.I.A. as chairman. Ed has just returned from Japan and I wanted to confer with him before doing anything about the nomination.

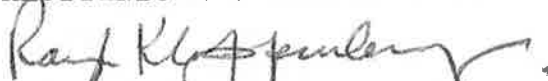
We had, as a committee, reported to the Wisconsin Chapter that inasmuch as we still had two members before the Jury of Fellows, namely Theodore C. Eschweiler and Herbert Grassold - both men having been submitted for their second round, we should therefore concentrate on these nominations and not bring before your committee further nominations.

Therefore, I should like to recommend to you the two previous nominees and especially Mr. Eschweiler who worked diligently back in the early thirties to unify the profession and succeeded by helping to found the State Association of Wisconsin Architects. This culminated, as you know, in the Association becoming a Chapter in the Institute.

Please accept these late recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

KLOPPENBURG & KLOPPENBURG


Ralph Kloppenburg F.A.I.A.

RK:nf

Enclosure



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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Community leadership can be exemplified and prosper in the arts, music, in education, in health, in furthering the profession's image, in charity, in religion and for one's country.

The nominee has consistently asserted exemplary progress in public service in his profession, parish, village, county and the state.

Activity

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Service to the Institute.

I have known the nominee for 30 years in the relationship of Contemporary

Signed *Ralph Kloppenburg*

Typed Signature Ralph Kloppenburg F.A.I.A.

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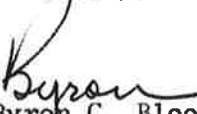
R. S. Kastendieck & Associates
Suite 203 Lee Building
673 Broadway
Gary, Indiana

Dear Ray:

I just rediscovered your letter in my unanswered "in" basket and hasten to get the enclosed off to you with the hope that it will be in time to be included with the Fellowship papers on Frederick R. von Grossmann.

"Fritz" is indeed a highly regarded individual in these parts. His many contributions to the profession seem to have been motivated by a wonderful outlook on life coupled with personal integrity and a real sense of professional responsibility. If the mold he was made from could be located, the profession could greatly benefit from having many more of his kind in its ranks.

Cordially,


Byron C. Bloomfield, AIA
Director

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18 November 1964
BCB:klv

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As attached.

Activity

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In serving with Frederick R. von Grossmann as a member of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Architectural Foundation, I have become aware of his many personal and professional contributions to the AIA and the advancement of the profession of architecture. He is held in highest regard by all members of that board for his continuing concern and contributions which have resulted in many deserving students being given the opportunity to obtain an architectural education, experience and ultimately engage in the practice of architecture.

His activities involving architectural education have helped establish a prevailing attitude among Wisconsin architects which now makes the establishment of an advanced concept of architectural education in the state of Wisconsin an attainable reality.

I have known the nominee for 1 years in the relationship of AIA ACTIVITIES

Signed Byron C. Bloomfield

Typed Signature Byron C. Bloomfield

Date 18 Nov. 1964

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FREDERIC R. von GROSSMANN

A. Service to the State Association (Divisional)

1. Co-chairman - Civic design and urban planning 1949-1954
2. Member of Committee - Building codes 1952
3. Vice-president - Wisconsin Association of Architects (and member Board of Directors) 1940-1941

B. Service to the Chapter

1. Secretary-Treasurer (Board of Directors) 1953-1954
Board of Directors 1955-1957
2. Wisconsin Architects Foundation - Trustee and Board of Directors 1958 to present

a. Purpose: To provide educational scholarships to deserving Wisconsin architectural students attending schools of architecture in other states.

b. To assist in establishing a school of architecture in Wisconsin.

c. To provide funds for furthering education in art and architecture.

3. Chairman (of Chapter Committees)

a. To found a School of Architecture in the State of Wisconsin. 1950-1951

b. Civic design and urban planning 1950-1954

c. Fees 1954-1956

Note: The nominee constituted a one man task force to write, edit, and to compile and evaluate regional fee schedules and to publish a significant, understandable and equitable brochure--all correlated with new AIA long form Owner-Architect agreements establishing standards and scope of service.

d. Special committee to retain for the chapter a full time staff - Executive Secretary 1954

4. Member (of Chapter Committees)

a. Unification 1948-1950

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local committees of architects who were members of the Institute and State Association to effect a merging of the two. The committee accomplished unification.

b. Public Relations

5. Service to the Institute (National)

- a. Study Chairman "Corporate Practice" task force. In 1959, the nominee was appointed a one man task force to study "Corporate Practice of Architecture" as a special study member of insurance committee.

Exhibits attached detail interim and progress reports, culminating in an AIA Journal article in August, 1962.

- b. Study Co-chairman "Retirement-Investment" pension plan for architects.
- c. Member of the Insurance and Sureties Committee 1959 to present
- d. Vice-Chairman - Insurance & Sureties Committee 1962-1963
- e. Chairman - Insurance & Sureties Committee 1963 and 1964

Accomplishments of Committee (1963-64):

Through one year's negotiation with Professional Liability Insurer, succeeded in preventing cancellation of policy.

Effected an equitable Insuring Agreement to assure continuity of the policy.

Effected six articles in October, 1964 "Journal of the AIA" dealing with insurance and surety matters.

Negotiated accord with Surety Bond Producer related to "subrogation of Architects" curtailment solutions.

Effected a resolution at 1964 Convention condemning slip-shod suretyship practices.

Trusteed AIA Life Insurance Trust following an additional board directive, appointing committee-men as trustees of the AIA - L. I. T.

Published Alerts and Directives related to:

Warranties and Guarantees .

Hold Harmless Clauses .

Necessity for Insurance Certificates from Engineer Consultants.

Statute of Limitations model format.

"Plan preparation" cooperation with National Board of Fire Underwriters, to reduce Owners insurance premiums.

Conducted Seminar Workshops at Lawyer meetings in St. Louis, San Francisco, 1964.

Conducted two Liability Seminars at St. Louis National 1964 Convention.

Conducted Liability Seminars in North Central States, 1964 Regional Convention.

Arranged Liability Seminar C. S. I. Convention in Madison, Wisconsin, in cooperation with University of Wisconsin Extension Division.

Rewrote Articles 27, 28, 29 for handbook.

Improved Insuring Agreements and Benefits without increasing rates on additional group protections, as follows:

- aa. Major and Catastrophic Medical
- bb. Payroll protection with Hospital-Surgical Rider
- cc. Accidental Death and Dismemberment

Conducted for ISC committee meetings at the Octagon.



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Actual

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Design: For the past quarter century, I have on many many occasions admired the fresh, creative work of von Grossmann whether it was a store remodeling, office or school. His projects always had a new approach and a pleasant, pleasing atmosphere. In my opinion, he has been one of the two outstanding designers in the Milwaukee area since the War.

Activity

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For the past twenty-five years, I have been active with the Wis. Chapter, AIA and have been on the Board of Directors nearly half the time and in an excellent position to evaluate the members. While I have not been too close to Mr. von Grossmann, I have developed a great respect for his energy and dedication to the AIA activities he has been associated with. This includes division, state and national levels. He has always been willing to take a job and he has always created an excellent public image with the press. He has been an asset to the profession.

FELLOW MEMBER

I have known the nominee for 25 years in the relationship of Wis. CHAPTER A.I.A.

Signed John J. Brust

Typed Signature John J. Brust, AIA

Date Nov 9th, 1964

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See Attached Sheets.

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See Attached Sheets.

I have known the nominee for ten years in the relationship of Fellow Architect, and believe he is fully qualified and deserving of a Fellowship nomination.

Signed

Typed Signature

Maynard W. Meyer

Date

November 11, 1964

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BIOGRAPHY OF FREDERIC R. (FRITZ) VON GROSSMANN

Born March 3, 1904, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Education: South High, Minneapolis, Minn.
University of Minnesota - B. of Arch. 1928
Harvard - Post Graduate M. of Arch 1932
Harvard University Scholarship

(Data Concerning Nominee's Record).

Alpha Rho Chi - Architectural Fraternity
N.C.A.R.B. Registration - August, 1957.
Fox Point North Shore Congregational Church
Fox Point Lions (1953 - 1957)
Northwest Kiwanis (1953 - 1959)
Masons (1937 - Present)
Wisconsin Consistory (1943 - Present)
Tripoli Shrine (1950) - Present)
Junior Chamber of Commerce (1932 - 1935)
Fox Point - Plan Commission (1948)
Fox Point - Building Board (1948 - 1954)
Board of Directors - Mercy Hospital (1953 - 1960)
Fox Point Primary Stateline Primary Grade School Study Committee(1953)
President - University of Minnesota Alumni Assn. of Wisconsin
(1941- 1942)
Board of Directors - Memorial Hospital (1960 - Present)
Union High School Study Committee of Glendale (1954 - 1955)
National Board of Governors of School Facilities Council of
Mount Vernon, N.Y. (1957 - Present)
Board of Directors of Milwaukee Symphony (1960 - Present)
Friends of Art, Milwaukee Art Center, Fund Drive Chairman (1959)
Board Member - of Friends of University of Wisconsin Library
(1960 - Present)
American Society of Military Engineers (1944 - 1956)
Church Architect's Guild (1954 - 1960)
Vice-President - Ace Food Catering (1950 - Present)
President - Nassu Realty, Inc. (1957 - Present)
Director - Hillsboro Ocean Mile Co-operative (1963 - Present)
Chairman of Joint Board - North Shore Church - Congregational
(1950 - 1951)
Trustee Grand Avenue Congregational Church (1948 - 1949)

Nominee's Achievement in Architectural Design:

1956	**Wisconsin Masonic Grand Lodge Headquarter	Milwaukee
1963	**Arthur Anderson Accountants Office Bldg.	Milwaukee
1963	Wisconsin Synod Lutheran Office Headquarters and Chapel	Milwaukee
1964	**Milwaukee Gas Light Co., North Service Center	Milwaukee

**These buildings received merit and/or honor awards in Wisconsin Chapter Honor Award Competitions.

Other Citations and Awards:

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| 1949 | Citation for Excellence of Design by Milwaukee Land Commission | Milwaukee Civic Center Master Plan (Bogner-von Grossmann & Associates) |
| 1949 | Second Award | Milwaukee School Board
AIA Sponsored Northwest High School Competition |
| 1952 | Wisconsin Chapter Award Competition | Security Savings and Loan Building
Kohl's Food Store |
| 1953 | Wisconsin Chapter Award Competition | Surety Savings and Loan
Saxony Supper Club (interior remodeling) (von Grossmann residence, Fox Point) |
| 1958 | Awards with Citation American Association of School Administrators | Nicolet High School, Glendale, Wis.
(also exhibited at Octagon and at U.S. Gov't. Exhibit at Geneva, Switzerland.) |
| 1958 | Awards with Citation American Association of School Administrators | Greenfield High School
Greenfield, Wisconsin |

Nominee's Achievements in "Service to the Institute".

- A. Service to the State Association (Divisional)
1. Co-chairman - Civic design and urban planning (1949-1954)
 2. Member of Committee - Building codes (1952)
 3. Vice-president - Wisconsin Association of Architects (and member Board of Directors) (1940 - 1941)
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Board of Directors (1955 - 1957)
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 3. Chairman (of Chapter Committees)
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- 4. Member (of Chapter Committee)
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Nominee's Achievements in Public Service.

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- (A) By fostering the craftsmanship of painting, sculpture, and metalcraft in his firm's projects.
- (B) By chairmanship the "Friends of Art" fund drive to its most successful effort. Milwaukee Art Center.

II. IN MUSIC:

- (A) With successful stewardship as chairman of the fledgling Milwaukee Symphony 1960 fund drive.
- (B) To be honored in his effort to found the Milwaukee Symphony by being elected Milwaukee's First Symphony Man of the Year in 1960-61.

NOTE: The Milwaukee Symphony was founded in 1959.

- (C) By serving as a founding member of the Symphony Board of Trustees since its inception - to a realization in four brief years-- to the major Symphony status of our orchestra with 65 resident musicians and a budget of \$500,000.00.

III. IN EDUCATION:

- (A) Elected two three year terms to National Board of Governors of School Facilities Council. (A union of educators manufacturers and architects further education nationally and regionally with publications, workshops, and educational research. 1959-65
- (B) Served on community study committee for furthering Statellite Primary System in three North-Shore Milwaukee communities.
- (C) Served as juror on American Association of School Administrator's National school competition.
- (D) Founding trustee of University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee "Friends of the Library".
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 - (a) Of founding a School of Architecture in Wisconsin.
 - (b) Providing tuition scholarships to needy and talented Wisconsin students in Architectural Schools all over the country.
- (F) Sponsored several Architect apprentices education thru to registration.

IV. IN HEALTH:

- (A) Served for ten years on the Board of Governors of Memorial (Mercy) Hospital - senior member of board
 - (a) Instrumental in the purchasing of 36 acre site for relocating and expanding marginal and inadequate hospital facilities.
 - (b) Provided for and Chairmanned Educational Scholarships Committee for education young nurses.
 - (c) Assisted in American Hospital Assoc. accreditation.
- (B) Divisional leader of community fund drive.

Nominee's Achievements in Public Service (Continued)

V. IN THE PROFESSIONS IMAGE:

- (A) Consistently participated in speeches, TV programs, workshop, seminars, public relations, publications, radio programs, parade of homes, and home-coming juries.
- (B) Served on boards, commissions and drives for members and funds to improve the community and the professions unilateral acceptance.
- (C) 1964 Wisconsin Chapter AIA Convention Chairman; fostered unity in construction industry between professions, provided council manufacturers - and exhibitors.

VI. CHARITY:

- (A) Served with vigor and success on fund drives:
 - (a) For Kiwanis "Paraplegic" Foundation
 - (b) For Eagles Club "Heart Fund"
 - (c) For Lions "Blind" Benefit
 - (d) Community Fund
 - (e) Shrine Crippled Children Benefit
 - (f) Milwaukee Children's Hospital Charity
 - (g) Y.M.C.A. Fund Drives and the like
 - (h) Milwaukee County Orphanage Christmas Fund Drive
 - (i) Rescue Mission

VII. RELIGION:

- (A) Lay founder, Deacon, and First Joint Board Chairman of New North Shore Church (Congregational). A church that in sixteen years was chartered and founded in the nominee's living room and now has over 1000 communicants !

VIII. TO ONE'S COUNTRY:

Served three and one-half years as a volunteer in Harbor Patrol and Security Watch - without compensation - in the United States Coast Guard Reserve (T). During World War II.



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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

I have not seen the nomination form.

Activity

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See attached letter.

I have known the nominee for 40 years in the relationship of College & Architect Colleagues

Signed [Signature]
Typed Signature Robert P. Potter
Date November 11, 1964

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November 11, 1964

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Repetitious

Gentlemen:

I am writing this letter in behalf of Mr. Frederic Von Grossmann who is a candidate for Fellowship from the Wisconsin Chapter.

Mr. Von Grossmann has been outstanding in his contribution to the profession of Architecture and to his community and his National services.

Mr. Von Grossmann has been a leader in City and State activities of the Wisconsin Chapter AIA and has given unselfishly to National service in the Institute.

However, Mr. Von Grossmann has contributed much more than his services to his Profession. He has performed outstanding services to the public and to his community. He has served on local planning commissions and Building Boards. He has served on the Board of Directors of a local hospital. He is on the Board of Directors of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra and has been active in the Milwaukee Art Center. He has served on fund drives of many Civic Organizations such as Kiwanis, Eagles, Lions, YMCA, Shrine and Rescue Mission.

Buildings designed under Mr. Von Grossmann's supervision have been outstanding and inspirational and have won many local Honor Awards.

In my opinion Mr. Von Grossmann has made an outstanding contribution in his efforts to present the profession of Architecture to the public.

I whole heartedly support the nomination of Mr. Frederic Von Grossmann for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

Yours very truly,



Robert P. Potter
Member of the Board of Directors
Wisconsin Chapter AIA

720 East Mason Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202



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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

- Design
- Wisconsin Masonic Grand Lodge Hdqtrs
- Nicolet High School

Activity

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Thru joint activities in the Wisconsin Chapter and the Wisconsin Architects Foundation I have become well acquainted with "Fritz" von Grossmann. He has a personal enthusiasm that carries thru in every venture he undertakes. This enthusiasm is well expressed in all of his architectural accomplishments. The Masonic Grand Lodge Headquarters and the Nicolet High School reflect his personal enthusiasm for excellent architectural design and detail.

As a proficient fore runner in contemporary design, Fritz von Grossmann is highly respected in the architectural profession throughout the state.

I have known the nominee for 6 years in the relationship of Chapter member

Signed Leonard H. Reinke
 Typed Signature Leonard H. Reinke, Pres.
Wisconsin Chapter
 Date Nov. 12, 1964

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(state the category or categories)

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See data submitted with nomination papers.

Activity

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A diligent worker on the Institute's Insurance Committee

I have known the nominee for 22 years in the relationship of competitors

Signed

Typed Signature

Date

Julius Sandstedt
Julius Sandstedt, AIA *msw.*

9 November 1964

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(state the category or categories)

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Community leadership can be exemplified and prosper in the arts, music, in education, in health, in furthering the profession's image, in charity, in religion and for one's country.

The nominee has consistently asserted exemplary progress in public service in his profession, parish, village, county and the state.

Activity

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Mr. VonGrossman, thru his talents & leadership, organized (after World War #1) one of the most progressive firms in his community which, by example, has been a credit to the entire profession. Despite heavy business commitments, he has always given unselfishly of his time to promote the image of his profession and inspire confidence in the young men starting their careers either at college level or in business. Enthusiasm has been a primary ingredient in all the good work he has done at both chapter and national level.

I have known the nominee for 20 years in the relationship of fellow practitioner

Signed [Signature] Frederick J. Schweitzer, AIA
Typed Signature
Date 15 November 1964

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Practice

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The nominee by virtue of being head of a firm with a sizeable practice in Wisconsin and the Midwest has demonstrated repeatedly his ability in the area of Architectural Design. He has shown a thorough grasp of the needs of his clients and a sensitivity to outstanding architectural design solutions. Noteworthy among buildings which nominee has designed are: Wisconsin Masonic Grand Lodge Headquarters, Arthur Anderson Accountants office building, Milwaukee Gas & Light Company--North Service Center all of Milwaukee. All of these designs have received Merit or Honor Awards in Chapter competitions.

In addition to nominee's competence in design I would submit that his service to the Institute through leadership and creativity shown on various
Activity (continued below)

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State and A.I.A. Committees has been outstanding.

By virtue of his creativity in design and his devotion to the profession as observed by me personally over the years, I can recommend nominee with enthusiasm for favorable consideration for advancement to Fellowship.

I have known the nominee for 20 years in the relationship of fellow practitioner.

Signed *Allen J. Strang*

Typed Signature Allen J. Strang, A.I.A.

Date November 6, 1964

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As a former employee, I was guided and influenced on how to properly conduct myself in practise as a professional architect.

Mr. von Grossman has set a fine example as an architect as well as a community leader.

I have known the nominee for 14 years in the relationship of employer & friend

Signed A. A. Tannenbaum

Typed Signature A. A. Tannenbaum, AIA

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(state the category or categories)

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1. I know the nominee has been active in this region in matters helping his fellow architects in a most effective way. Others can detail this.
2. I have known him since student days as a fine designer but his photographs will be more telling than I can be.
3. From people living in Milwaukee I know he has a good reputation for his public activities.

Handwritten initials: SKong

He is personable, dynamic and a fine ~~to~~ representative of our profession. I like him but as an old friend I must leave it to others to supply the specific facts to confirm my belief that he is a distinguished member of our profession.

I have known the nominee for.....years in the relationship of FRIEND COLLEAGUE

Signed Richard M. Bennett, FAIA

Typed Signature RICHARD M. BENNETT

Date *Chicago*

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I have known the nominee for 35 years in the relationship of former student

Signed

Walter F. Bogner FAIA

Typed Signature Walter F. Bogner FAIA

Date October 28, 1964

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In Design, the photographs of his bldgs. will speak for themselves.

I have known the nominee for 8 or 9 years in the relationship of fellow-architect

Signed J. Roy Carroll, Jr.
Typed Signature J. Roy Carroll, Jr., FAIA
Date Oct. 27th, 1964.

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FREDERIC R. von GROSSMANN

A. Service to the State Association (Divisional)

- | | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Co-chairman - Civic design and urban planning | 1949-1954 |
| 2. Member of Committee - Building codes | 1952 |
| 3. Vice-president - Wisconsin Association of Architects
(and member Board of Directors) | 1940-1941 |

B. Service to the Chapter

- | | |
|--|------------------------|
| 1. Secretary-Treasurer (Board of Directors)
Board of Directors | 1953-1954
1955-1957 |
| 2. Wisconsin Architects Foundation - Trustee and Board
of Directors | 1958 to
present |

a. Purpose: To provide educational scholarships to deserving Wisconsin architectural students attending schools of architecture in other states.

b. To assist in establishing a school of architecture in Wisconsin.

c. To provide funds for furthering education in art and architecture.

3. Chairman (of Chapter Committees)

a. To found a School of Architecture in the State of Wisconsin.	1950-1951
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b. Civic design and urban planning	1950-1954
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c. Fees	1954-1956
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Note: The nominee constituted a one man task force to write, edit, and to compile and evaluate regional fee schedules and to publish a significant, understandable and equitable brochure--all correlated with new AIA long form Owner-Architect agreements establishing standards and scope of service.

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I have known Mr. vonGrossmann for over thirty years as a fellow student in the School of Architecture at the University of Minnesota, as a fraternity brother, and then through the years as a fellow practitioner. Mr. vonGrossmann has been active as a leader, both as a student in the School and subsequently in the Wisconsin Chapter where he has held many positions. More recently he has been active as chairman of national committees within the National Chapter and continues to serve in both a devoted and enlightened way. I have served on several award juries for the Wisconsin Society of Architects and on these occasions have found Mr. vonGrossmann's work included in our selections. He is a leader in the Wisconsin Chapter and merits consideration for elevation to Fellowship within the American Institute of Architects.

I have known the nominee for over 30 years in the relationship of Fellow Student, Fraternity Brother, and Fellow Practitioner.

Signed

Typed Signature Robert G. Cerny

Date November 11, 1964

Robert G. Cerny
PAIA
mpls.

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See attached

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I have known the nominee for 34 years in the relationship of personal friend

Signed

Typed Signature MARIO J. CIAMPI, Architect, FAIA

Date November 13, 1964

no. Call

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DESIGN - The candidate has conducted his office on an extremely high professional level consistent with his dedication to Service to the Institute and Public Service.

These achievements in design may well be attested to by the number of merit and honor awards received from the Wisconsin Chapter Honor Awards Competitions. In addition his work was given special recognition by other organizations of significant stature.

SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE - This candidate has unselfishly devoted his time and unique talent to chapter responsibilities over many years of service. Some of his more important activities are noted as follows:

Chapter

Active as Secretary/Treasurer

Board of Directors - Wisconsin Architects Foundation and chairman of numerous committees during his career

Important contribution in assisting the founding of a School of Architecture for the State of Wisconsin

After exhaustive effort published a significant brochure related to Owner-Architect Agreements and Standards of Professional Services

State

Co-chairman, AIA, Civic Design and Urban Planning Committee 1949-54

Vice President - Wisconsin Association of Architects

National

Devoted much effort to the corporate practice of architecture for the Insurance Committee

Study Co-chairman "Retirement Investment". The final brochure of this study and program required special talent of this candidate's caliber and skill

His most distinguished achievement which alone, in the opinion of the undersigned, deserves elevation to Fellowship, is the remarkable contribution to the Architects of America over the last 5 years as an original member of the Insurance and Sureties Committee, then Co-chairman and finally Chairman.

PUBLIC SERVICE - Because of the candidate's concern for establishing the image of the Architect as a vital component of civic life, he has made important contributions to his community in the fields of Art such as Chairman of the Milwaukee Art Center Drive in 1960

Especially active as Founding Member of the Milwaukee Symphony Board of Trustees in 1959

Has been extremely active in the fields of Education and Health. These contributions are evident during his life's work.

In view of the foregoing achievements the candidate deserves elevation to Fellowship by the Institute. It is rare indeed that a man can accomplish so much in the fields of Service to the Institute and Public Service while concurrently maintaining a high quality in the architectural achievements of his office. This may be further supported by my knowledge of his professional potential as a classmate at Harvard University in the early period of his career.

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Excellence in all areas of Design in Service to the Institute, and Public Service

Activity

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In the years I have known Mr. von Grossmann, I have been extremely impressed with his leadership qualities and personable traits which, in turn, are related to the service to the Institute and Public Service successes which he has had. In the field of design, my firm worked closely with Mr. von Grossmann on a project in Milwaukee, and the success of this project was due to his design skills.

I have known the nominee for three years in the relationship of friend and colleague.

Signed William E. Dunlap

Typed Signature William E. Dunlap, AIA

Date October 23, 1964 Chicago

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(state the category or categories)

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Activity

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I have long been aware of Fritz's contribution to the profession, especially as a member and now Chairman of the Committee on Insurance and Sureties. He has continued the work of the committee on the level which has distinguished its activities since its inception.

I have known the nominee for 10 years in the relationship of colleague in the profession.

Signed Robert L. Durham

Typed Signature Robert L. Durham, FAIA

Date November 2, 1964 *Seattle*

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Activity as member and chairman of AIA's Insurance and Sureties Committee (1959 to date), member of Documents Review Committee (1964).

Activity

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See attached sheet.

I have known the nominee for four years in the relationship of Member and Chairman of AIA's Insurance Committee.

Signed William W. Eshbach
Typed Signature William W. Eshbach, F.A.I.A.
Date 11-4-64

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TO: AIA JURY OF FELLOWS

FROM: William W. Eshbach, F.A.I.A.

REFERENCE: Frederick R. vonGrossmann, A.I.A.

SUBJECT: Nomination for advancement to Fellowship

DATE: November 5, 1964

ACTIVITY:

Actual

As I served as a member and Chairman of the Documents Review Committee and as Chairman of the Commission on Professional Practice, I came in contact with Fritz vonGrossmann as he served in the above noted capacities. His dedication to the profession was apparent. In my capacity as Commission Chairman, I recommended that Fritz (a) become Chairman of the Insurance-Sureties Committee in 1964 and therefore (b) that concurrently he become a member of the Documents Review Committee. This recommendation reflects my regard for his ability, attitude and general dedication to the task before him.

The printed AIA Form H-504 requests --- "why you consider it a significant accomplishment in the advancement of the profession of Architecture". It is difficult to identify the recent work of the Insurance-Sureties Committee as a "significant accomplishment" but I submit that even its routine maintenance work is extremely important to the design professions.

This type of work seldom attracts the interest of the members, and I hold a special appreciation for those Architects who are willing to deal with Insurance-Sureties matters.



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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Service to the Institute - Insurance Committee and related committee activities.

Footnote

Activity

In the space below, please list any further details about this activity which you can provide on the basis of direct personal experience, and explain why you would consider it a significant accomplishment in the advancement of the profession of Architecture. Additional information may be submitted on an attached sheet, but the Jury prefers the material to be brief and pertinent.

As Secretary I was particularly aware of Mr. von Grossmann's continuous and intense work on the Insurance Program of the AIA. This program is, of course, one of the very direct and important ways the AIA may be of service to its members. To follow in Harry Payne's footsteps required a man completely knowledgeable and willing to devote a great deal of time to the detailed work required. I know of no one who could have filled this position more capably and even expanded this important assignment. Mr. von Grossmann's efforts have been far beyond the routine handling of this assignment and the AIA may recognize this contribution through a fellowship.

I have known the nominee for 6 years in the relationship of committee appearing before Board

Signed Clinton Gamble

Typed Signature Clinton Gamble, F.A.I.A.

Date October 28, 1964

Brown & Co.

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Insurance + Sureties Committee

Activity

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Fredy has always taken the extra time to be of help to individuals and to Chapters, upon request, in the very vital problems of insurance sureties and in the growing area of liability. In so doing with the Minnesota Chapter he quickly sensed the contribution we could make nationally through our committee and has effectively enlisted this service.

I have known the nominee for 23 years in the relationship of Colleague

Signed Victor C. Gilbertson, AIA

Typed Signature Victor C. Gilbertson

Date November 9, 1964

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement: SERVICE to the PROFESSION

ACTIVITIES - Service to the Profession, as related to personal knowledge of this endorser, within the activities of the Committee on Insurances and Sureties, AIA.

1. Nomination and appointment to Committee Membership and Offices:

a. 1958 appointed "Correspondent to the Committee" on nomination of the then Regional Director- Harold T. Spitznagel, on concurrence of this endorser.

b. 1959 appointed to the Committee as- Member, by privileged communication of this endorser (then Chairman), addressed to The Board's Committee on Committees.

c. 1963 appointed- Vice Chairman of the Committee, by privileged communication of this endorser (then Chairman), addressed to The Board's Committee on Committees.

d. 1964 appointed- Chairman of the Committee, by privileged communication of this endorser (then Chairman), addressed to The Board's Committee on Committees.

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2. Committee assignments and principal activities: (assignments made by this endorser as Chairman Sub-Committee on study of- Corporate Practice of the profession of Architecture (prepared drafts of report which on Committee's thorough review and amendment) evolved as Committee's Report published in 1962 (August) Journal.

b. Co-Chairman with Albert B. Thomas, Sub-Committee on Retirement-Investment (pension) Program for Architects, which on Committee's repeated study and continued review is being offered currently as an- "Institute commended" program.

3. General Committee studies and activities:

a. Additionally nominee studied and reviewed with the other Committee Members, each being responsible for leadership of his own Sub-Committee assignments; everyone of the other Committee activities as provided through special Board Directives and as implicit within the field established by The Board in establishing the Committee's title. These were directed as- Sub-Committee assignments respectively by the other duly appointed and designated members of the Committee; some such being: professional liability, group life, accident-hospital-surgical, major sum accidental death, relations with surety bond underwriters and producers,

continued on attached I have known the nominee for 6 years in the relationship of fellow committeeman, and personal friend -

Signed Harry D. Payne
Typed Signature Harry D. Payne F.A.I.A.
Date November 14, 1964

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and hereby made a part thereof-

November 14, 1964

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continued from attached-

3) General Committee studies and activities:

a) continued-

sum accidental death, relations with surety bond underwriters and producers, hold-harmless provisions, statute of limitations.

THUS: this endorser deems by the foregoing to have justified and warranted the following summary statement to have been established within his own knowledges of Nominee's qualifications and practices;
that -

a) Nominee accepted every obligation of membership on the Committee on Insurances and Sureties (a particularly demanding and exacting role and to have performed the same:

in a truly outstanding and inspiring manner,

in an efficient and effective manner, such as to have advanced the practices and interests of the profession,

in a spirit and manner of generous cooperation, such as to assist the other Committee Members in the performance of their responsibilities.

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Harry D. Payne

Harry D. Payne



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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Service to the Institute: I have been acquainted with Frederic R. von Grossmann as a result of his National Committee activity.

As Chairman of the Documents Review Committee for three years, I had an opportunity to become well aware of his activities on behalf of the Insurance Committee, and was amazed to discover the amount of time, effort, and achievements he had accomplished on behalf of the entire profession.

Activity

In the space below, please list any further details about this activity which you can provide on the basis of direct personal experience, and explain why you would consider it a significant accomplishment in the advancement of the profession of Architecture. Additional information may be submitted on an attached sheet, but the Jury prefers the material to be brief and pertinent.

I have known the nominee for 6 years in the relationship of Professional Activity

Signed

Typed Signature Malcolm D. Reynolds, FAIA

Date 9 November 1964

East Bay

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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

An congressman is a devoted and hard working member of the AIA

Activity

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During my term as an officer of the AIA I visited Congressman several times. Congressman was always a leader & was held in high respect by his members. He has chaired several AIA Insurance Committees, which I attended, and has been very instrumental in the AIA Program of insurance.

I have known the nominee for 10 years in the relationship of AIA Contracts

Signed *John N. Richards*

Typed Signature JOHN N. RICHARDS, P.A.A.

Date Nov. 12. 1964 *J.N.R.*

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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Activity

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Since 1933, I have known of Frederic R. von Grossmann's ability in design - first, as a graduate student at Harvard University and, since then, during his years in professional practice. I am pleased to recommend him for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I have known the nominee for 30 years in the relationship of Architect

Signed

Dahlen K. Ritchey

Typed Signature Dahlen K. Ritchey

Date November 3, 1964

Pittsburgh

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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE IN HIS WORK AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES.

Activity

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I HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE THE ENTHUSIASM AND DEVOTION OF FRITZ VON GROSSMANN TO THE WELFARE OF HIS FELLOW ARCHITECTS IN HIS WORK AS CHAIRMAN OF THE INSURANCE COMMITTEE AND FOUND IT TO BE OUTSTANDING.

I have known the nominee for 3 years in the relationship of COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Signed Daniel Schwartzman FAIA

Typed Signature DANIEL SCHWARTZMAN

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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

Fritz von Grossman has been a one man task force for the Institute in the vast amount of work accomplished by the Committee on Insurance and Surieties. His knowledge of the subject together with his many hours spent bettering our position give us a real expert opinion when it is required during the sessions of the Documents Review Committee. I have had the opportunity to observe Fritz in action during the meetings I have attended of the two aforementioned committees as well as during his visits to the A. I. A. - A. G. C. committee meetings. No member of the A. I. A. more definitely deserves this honor.

Activity

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It is my opinion that the Institute offers so few means of thanking a member for his efforts over and beyond the call of duty. If all members responded equally, it would be a different matter. Occasionally one does an outstanding job and he should then be recognized by his fellow practitioners. This man certainly deserves our recognition.

I have known the nominee for 12 years in the relationship of Good Friend and fellow committee worker.

Signed John Stetson

Typed Signature John Stetson F. A. I. A.

Date October 26, 1964

Palm Beach

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Services to his Chapter, State Assn and the Institute have been continuous, effective and dedicated during the past fifteen years.

Activity

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I have known the nominee for 40 years in the relationship of colleague in the profession

Signed *S. L. Stolte*

Typed Signature S. L. Stolte, FAIA

Date 10/20/64

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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Through his use of materials and color in his buildings, he achieves a distinct quality of design. It has been his desired responsibility to create contemporary beauty, to design organized space, and to resolve the technical requirements of building for the full use and enjoyment of people.

Activity

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I have known Mr. von Grossmann for some 35 years. His uncompromising devotion to the excellence of design has been an inspiration to me personally. Most of his fine buildings in and about Milwaukee are a distinct credit to the architectural profession.

He richly deserves the high honor for which he is being nominated. I endorse his nomination without reservation.

Li Hong

I have known the nominee for 35 years in the relationship of fellow Architect

Signed Max O. Urbahn

Typed Signature Max O. Urbahn, AIA

Date November 13, 1964

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

My contacts with the nominee have been limited to meeting him in connection with his contributions to the AIA JOURNAL. These contributions have consisted of a number of excellent articles having to do with insurance, sureties, etc. His experience and knowledge in this field is extensive, of course, and his articles have been most excellently done, and of great use to the profession, I am sure.

From my personal observation of the nominee, I would say that it is quite rare to find a busy member who who will devote so much of his time and skill to furthering the profession, and that he is indeed most worthy of elevation to the College of Fellows.

Activity

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I have known the nominee for 3 years in the relationship of author-editor relationship

Signed Joseph Watterson

Typed Signature Joseph Watterson, FAIA

Date Oct. 30, 1964

h. J. camp
Washington, D.C.

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As a member of the National Board of Directors, I was very much aware of Fritz von Grossmann's effective work for the profession while a member of the Insurance & Sureties Committee. He particularly prepared an excellent study on Corporate Practice which was ultimately accepted by the Board and recommended as policy to the membership. While in Milwaukee, I was able to see some of the buildings which he has designed, specifically a school and a small office building, both of which I personally consider to be of outstanding design quality. From personal observation, therefore, I am happy to support his elevation to Fellowship on account of both Service to the Institute and Design.

I have known the nominee for ten years in the relationship of colleague

Signed Philip Will, Jr.

Typed Signature Philip Will, Jr., FAIA

Date 26 October 1964

Chicago

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(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Community leadership can be exemplified and prosper in the arts, music, in education, in health, in furthering the profession's image, in charity, in religion and for one's country.

The nominee has consistently asserted exemplary progress in public service in his profession, parish, village, county and the state.

Activity

In the space below, please list any further details about this activity which you can provide on the basis of direct personal experience, and explain why you would consider it a significant accomplishment in the advancement of the profession of Architecture. Additional information may be submitted on an attached sheet, but the Jury prefers the material to be brief and pertinent.

I can recommend Mr. Von Grossman without any hesitancy for this fine honor. He has been a very great asset to the city of Milwaukee for many years - as an architect, as a civic leader in the arts, and as a gentleman of distinction in every way.

I have known the nominee for 10 years in the relationship of neighbor, consultant and friend.

Signed Maurice W. Berger

Typed Signature Maurice W. Berger

Date November 3, 1964

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Activity

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Mr. von Grossmann has been active in promoting the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra and the Milwaukee Art Center. He has enhanced professionalization of architecture. He has served in charity drives, and worthy civic causes.

I have known the nominee for 22 years in the relationship of Personal friendship, Civic associations, Professional retainer of his services.

Signed H. C. Brockel

Typed Signature H. C. Brockel

Date November 10, 1964

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

factual

Activity

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Close working association with Mr. von Grossmann began when I was selected as chairman of the exhibitors convention committee for the Wisconsin Chapter, American Institute of Architects' 1964 convention, which was held April 27 - May 1, at Lake Lawn Lodge, Delavan. Mr. von Grossmann was the convention committee chairman.

This was the first year that a convention committee of exhibitors had been appointed and its purpose was to work hand in hand with the AIA convention committee to produce a superior AIA convention. Prime objective of both committees was to secure a better attendance of architects at the convention. The fine and intelligent manner in which Mr. von Grossmann was able to coordinate the talents and interests of both committees to produce a convention that was a complete departure in many respects from previous conventions and (continued on next sheet)

I have known the nominee for 15 years in the relationship of manufacturer of concrete products

Signed *Paul F. Bronson*

Typed Signature Paul F. Bronson

Date November 10, 1964

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to maintain an interesting and productive use of the talents of the exhibitors committee produced, to my knowledge, the following results: the best attendance of Wisconsin AIA members over any previous convention; full use of all available exhibit area by exhibitors; a tremendous satisfaction on the part of all exhibitors upon the attendance of architects to their booths and to the allotted time accorded for the viewing of booths; an interesting, informative and satisfying experience to AIA members attending the convention.

Substantiation of the success of this convention can be made by contacting Mrs. Jane Richards, Executive Secretary, Wisconsin Institute of Architects.

The success of Mr. von Grossmann's ability to coordinate the efforts of the many personalities involved in an undertaking of this magnitude is substantiated by the result. I firmly believe that the format and procedures established at this convention will serve as a working basis for many successful future conventions.



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I consider it a great privilege and honor to write in behalf of Mr. Von Grossmann. The whole person is rare. He is outgoing, charitable, a gentleman always, with a tremendous gift for serving others. As Music Director and Conductor of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, I have worked closely with him as a very active member of our Board of Directors. I know from personal experience that Mr. Von Grossmann is totally unselfish in his untiring efforts to serve his fellow man, regardless of nationality, race, creed, or so-called "social station." As a fellow artist, I can see in his work and attitudes a fulfillment of his dedication to his art.

Strong

I have known the nominee for 6 1/2 years in the relationship of Board Member and Friend

Signed [Signature]

Typed Signature HARRY JOHN BROWN

Date November 17, 1964

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November 3, 1964

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The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute
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1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
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Dear Sirs:

As Director of the American Association of School Administrators School Building Architectural Exhibit, I have had the opportunity to work with and be professionally associated with Mr. Fritz von Grossman, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on a number of occasions. Mr. von Grossman has regularly and effectively supported this architectural exhibit as a means of disseminating ideas and information useful to superintendents and school boards in planning and constructing school buildings. The work he has submitted for entry in this exhibit has been of high quality. His participation has always been of the highest professional quality. In my opinion he has made notable contributions to school plant planning.

In 1962 upon invitation from AASA he served as a member of the architectural exhibit jury. This service was without remuneration other than travel expenses, and it carried no notable professional recognition. It was but another example of the efforts Mr. von Grossman has made on many occasions to assist people who are in responsible positions and must make decisions in school plant planning.

For a number of years I have served with him as a member of the Board of Governors of the School Facilities Council. This is an organization of educators, architects, and manufacturers who jointly lend their efforts to bring about better



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school plant facilities. I am pleased to commend Mr. von Grossman to you as a man who has made a notable contribution to furthering high standards of school plant planning and construction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley Cooper". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Shirley Cooper
Director of Inservice Education



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(state the category or categories)

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I have known the nominee since 1959. At that time he was a member of the Board of the Memorial Hospital, Milwaukee. I did an administrative study for the Board. Later, in 1963-64, I worked with the nominee in developing the basic plan for the proposed Northlands Hospital at Brown Deer - he as architect and I as consultant on functional layout. I know him as a refined, scholarly, God-fearing gentleman of whose friendship I am proud.

I have known the nominee for 5 years in the relationship of Hospital organization and planning

Signed [Signature]
Typed Signature JOHN N. HATFIELD
Date November 9, 1964

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In the span of time that I have known Fritz von Grossmann his devotion and unselfish service to his Chapter and National organization has been an inspiration to the other members of the profession.

I have had the pleasure of being present at many meetings where von Grossmann served as Chairman or as a member of the Committee and his contributions to the subject matter were sound and in the best interest of the profession.

Fritz von Grossmann is a credit to his profession and worthy of being advanced to a Fellow of the Institute.

I have known the nominee for nine years in the relationship of Executive Director of the Minnesota Society of Architects

Signed

Typed Signature James M. Fenelon

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Fritz von Grossmann and Associates have done some unusual services to improving architecture for the public schools. At my request, Mr. von Grossmann served several times on panels of architects, school board members, and school administrators of the Greater Milwaukee Area, in presentations and forums which addressed themselves to various phases which would improve the utility, as well as the esthetic values of school buildings. At our request, he responded without hesitation to exhibiting sketches and models of fine school buildings at the National School Architects' Exhibits on several occasions at the Atlantic City meetings of the American Association of School Administrators. This latter was done at considerable expense to himself and his firm. The attached memorandum listed as a biography of Fritz R. von Grossmann has been checked and represents accurately, to my knowledge, the various activities in which Mr. von Grossmann has played significant roles.

I have known the nominee for 10 years in the relationship of School Architect.

Signed Michael S. Kies
MICHAEL S. KIES

Typed Signature County Superintendent of Schools

Date Nov. 12, 1964

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I have known the nominee for 6 years in the relationship of President of the School Facilities Council and Mr. Von Grossman as member of the Governing Board
Signed Jordan L. Larson

Typed Signature JORDAN L. LARSON *non AIA*

Date 11-20-1964

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WHAT IS S.F.C.?

S.F.C. is a non-profit, non-commercial, tax-exempt organization of ARCHITECTS, EDUCATORS and INDUSTRY. S.F.C.'s purposes are:

- To promote the best possible education for children, young people and adults through continuing improvement of school building design, school sites, school facilities and school equipment.
- To promote wide understanding, continuing interest, and active support in the betterment of school facilities on the part of architects; business and industry; educators; and responsible citizens.
- To seek out and disseminate authentic information to provide better school facilities for instruction.

Combining our existing knowledge, information and materials will provide the most efficient schools.

WHY S.F.C.?

Because . . . American youth has a right to expect the best education in the world. Today's boys and girls deserve a much better education than has been provided the youth of the past. Our great nation has been busy in the last half century not only in developing better ways of transportation, of making and distributing goods, of improving the health and welfare of its people, BUT, it has also been busy in discovering and developing new and greatly improved ways of instructing its young people in its schools.

Because . . . An important part of American heritage is now a vastly increased body of knowledge about how schools may be built, manned, and operated from day to day to help young Americans learn better the knowledge, skills, and behavior patterns which assure a better, happier life.

Because . . . Much of this rightful heritage of better education is lost to young Americans if we build and equip schools which make it difficult or impossible to apply the best educational "know-how" and the most modern ways of instruction.

Because . . . If we are to get our money's worth out of the huge sums invested in school build-

ings, we must make certain that these buildings reflect the latest information of how to build and equip school buildings which demonstrate our best knowledge of what is good for the education of our youth.

Because . . . There is no other organization which brings together on a national scale the people most widely interested in and most responsible for the nature of schools for young Americans.

Because . . . Such an organization has a role to play in bringing to the citizens in local communities throughout our country the kinds of information which will enable them to build better schools for today and tomorrow.

Our educational facilities and equipment should aid instruction as much as possible.

HOW DOES S.F.C. ACHIEVE ITS OBJECTIVES?

The Council has developed a long range dynamic and ambitious program of communication, information and participation to achieve its goals.

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

• **STATE CONFERENCES:** Assist state leadership as it is structured and bring together representatives of state and local groups which

have to do with school plant planning, construction, equipping and usage.

• **SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS:** To inform membership about up-to-date developments in the school construction and equipment fields, pioneering developments of instructional aids and physical environments which affect school plant planning, and new and tested educational ideas which may affect the architectural planning and equipping of schools.

To encourage and assist leadership on the state level to promote higher standards of planning and equipping of schools; and to study and evaluate school planning procedures.

To provide a means for a common discussion of problems of construction and equipping of colleges, technical institutes, and university building facilities by individuals involved in this work.

• **BROCHURES, MANUALS, ETC.:** To produce manuals to assist state level and local leadership to conduct profitable conferences on school buildings and facilities. Such manuals will also serve as resource references to assist in conducting these conferences.

To publish brochures on the educational planning of classrooms for the elementary and secondary school level to be used by persons and committees charged with school building planning.

• **EXHIBITS AND CONVENTIONS:** Sponsor special school building programs and exhibits at national conventions of NEA, AASA, PTA, AIA, ASBO, etc.

• **FILMS (16mm SO. . .)** Assist in producing films designed to show that good school building facilities are essential to achieve a good program of education and also a "how-to-do-it" type film for board members and advisory committees in communities where new buildings are being planned.

• **FILMSTRIPS AND RECORDINGS:** Produce a series of filmstrips on such topics as: "Do Our School Buildings Aid Education?", "Industry's Role in Education" and "How Educators and Architects Plan Together."

• **NEWSPAPER, PERIODICALS, AND**

TV. Utilize radio and TV to emphasize the importance of planning schools to meet the growing needs of our school population and modern instructional concepts, and develop a program of articles in leading architectural, educational, and general publications.

• **RESOURCE LIBRARY:** Develop a library of materials which are most useful for the purposes of the Council, and to be available for use by Council members participating in Council sponsored programs.

• **ADVISORY SERVICE:** Develop information resource files in the many facets of planning schools and to make such information available. The S.F.C. does not provide consultant service, but rather related materials that are used in answering requests for information.

FUTURE PROJECTS

• **SCHOOL COST BROCHURE:** Provide assistance to groups planning construction in focusing on evaluating school construction costs in terms of educational values.

• **SCHOOL BUILDING CODES:** Focus attention on the desirable role of codes in influencing school construction. The emphasis will be on their function to guide, direct, and provide assurance of performance.

BETTER SCHOOL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT THROUGH BETTER COMMUNICATION

BREAKTHROUGH! WITH S.F.C.'s PROGRAM TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION

A BRIEF HISTORICAL NOTE ON THE COUNCIL

In the beginning the SCHOOL FACILITIES COUNCIL was formed to meet a desperate need for improving school buildings and facilities. It was apparent that, while there were vast stores of information available about improved ways of building schools, much of this information was not being used in the planning and design of our schools. The basic reason why available information, materials, and techniques were not being incorporated into school design was because this information was only available in part to each of the vertically organized groups concerned with the planning, design, and use of schools. Each of these groups was working on educational housing problems within the isolation of their own organization with very little communication with the other groups involved.

It became apparent that a common meeting ground for the people in the vertically organized groups was needed. There was a special need to stimulate and facilitate communication between these groups.

The people involved in school facilities were divided into three basic classifications: architects and engineers (the planners), educators (the users), and industry (the suppliers). Interested people from these three basic groups joined hands to organize and operate the SCHOOL FACILITIES COUNCIL.

Since its beginning, the SCHOOL FACILITIES COUNCIL has been dedicated to improving school facilities by improving and facilitating better COMMUNICATION and understanding between these three basic groups.

WHO IS S.F.C.?

"Active membership in the SCHOOL FACILITIES COUNCIL shall consist of individuals actively employed in or retired from the fields of architecture, education, or industry."

"Sustaining members in the SCHOOL FACILITIES COUNCIL shall be institutions, organizations, business firms, or individuals which further the objectives of the Council and which contribute funds for the operation of the Council."

"State chapters may affiliate on application."*

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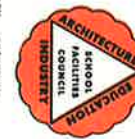
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I am pleased to be asked for an opinion in relation to Mr. Frederic R. Von Grossmann's nomination to Fellowship in the American Institute and Achievement in Service to the Public.

I have known Fritz Von Grossmann for more than a dozen years and during this time he has been a dedicated member of the Community and to his fellow men. As his biographical data indicates his interests have been varied and broad and his service outstanding.

I am happy to recommend Frederic Von Grossmann for this distinctive honor without reservations.

I have known the nominee for 12 years in the relationship of professional association

Signed Edmund D. Lewandowski

Typed Signature Edmund D. Lewandowski

Date November 6, 1964

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For three years I was chairman of the Department of Church Building and Architecture of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. and for a number of years served on its committee. During this period, we cooperated closely with architectural groups in setting up conferences on church architecture in various parts of the country. In this capacity, I became acquainted with Mr. von Grossman and am deeply appreciative of the cooperation which he gave in all these matters. He has a keen insight of the inter-relation of church problems and architectural problems and is very much interested in designing church buildings which will be a suitable expression of religious faith and an inspiration to those who worship in them and functional buildings representatives of the highest architectural standards.

He is a sincere layman, deeply interested in the problems of the church and generous in allocation of his time to church work. I heartily recommend him to the high honor for which he is being considered.

I have known the nominee for 17 years in the relationship of

Signed Wm Kincaid Newman

Typed Signature Wm. Kincaid Newman

Date November 19, 1964

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The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement: Volunteer Public Service on a forty (40) bed Hospital Board, as Director for the past ten years.

Actual

Activity

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The Nominee has served with distinction as a progressive and discerning Trustee. Largely through his effort the Board and its hospital status has been augmented from a privately owned institution of questionable medicine to an AHA Accredited Hospital, with precocious growth aspirations. His professional wisdom and vision has prompted and activated a relocation and expansion program oriented into a high potential but hospitalless suburban area. He has contributed in committee effort and in kind in the guidance of the hospital's student nurse program. He has volunteered his professional skills in assuring good medicine in a second class run down facility by sponsoring code conforming and U.S. Health Dept. regulation adherence to ultimate accreditation. He has opened his home for hospital functions oriented to improve employee relations. He has, through difficult times, maintained rapport between the administration and medical staff, with judicious acumen.

It gives me great pleasure to add to the above an expression of admiration for the excellent manner in which Mr. von Grossmann has led individuals and groups in this area to a higher and more enlightened understanding of their function in the field (Cont d.) I have known the nominee for ten years in the relationship of a friend and admirer of his public service efforts.

Signed Joseph P. Norby
Typed Signature Joseph P. Norby, Hospital Consultant - Past President of the American Hospital Association.
Date November 1, 1964

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of health service. His knowledge and skill have been in large evidence in all the undertakings with which he has come in contact involving both public and private service.

Mr. von Grossmann would add further stature to your organization.

Joseph G. Mosby



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Service to the Institute.

Actual

Activity

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I am an attorney specializing in representing architects. I met Mr. von Grossmann recently, when we were both guest speakers at the Minnesota Convention of Architects. At that time I learned (from other architects) of the tremendous amount of time devoted by Mr. von Grossman to limiting architects' liability by strengthening the contract documents. I am informed that he has spent thousands of hours without compensation in his work on the Insurance and Sureties Committee, of which he is presently the Chairman. When he learned of my work in the field of litigation defending architects, and of my views for incorporating additional provisions and hold harmless agreements in architects' contracts, he immediately induced me to attend his Committee meetings in Washington to present to his Committee the benefit of my experience in this field.

I have known the nominee for.....years in the relationship of attorney for architects.

Signed *Nathaniel Rothstein*

Typed Signature NATHANIEL ROTHSTEIN

Date October 27, 1964.

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FREDERIC R. (FRITZ) VON GROSSMANN is being nominated to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects in ACHIEVEMENTS IN DESIGN, ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN PUBLIC SERVICE
(state the category or categories)

The nomination lists the following activity as a basis for advancement:

Community leadership can be exemplified and prosper in the arts, music, in education, in health, in furthering the profession's image, in charity, in religion and for one's country.

The nominee has consistently asserted exemplary progress in public service in his profession, parish, village, county and the state.

Activity

Particular

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Mr. von Grossmann was instrumental in the organization of the Milwaukee Symphony and served as one of the first members of the Board of Directors. He organized the first major fund drive for the Symphony and has continued to occupy an important position in all fund raising activities for the Symphony. He has served as an advisor to Symphony management on many of the community problems and has spent countless hours in the development and support of this organization. Through his efforts the Symphony has grown to the point where Milwaukee today has an orchestra with a budget in excess of one-half million dollars, and has achieved a reputation of one of America's finest young orchestras.

Mr. von Grossmann's integrity and hard work have been singularly responsible for much of the development of this fine organization.

I have known the nominee for 8 years in the relationship of Co-Worker

Signed *Robert S. Zigman*

Typed Signature Robert S. Zigman, General Manager
Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra

Date November 9, 1964

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