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October 27, 1958

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

Gentlemen:

The undersigned respectfully recommends that the nomination of William B. Wiener to Fellow in the American Institute of Architects in the category of design be given favorable consideration by the Jury.

Mr. Wiener's work in contemporary design has been recognized for many years by the Gulf Coast Region of the A.I.A., the Shreveport Chapter, and numerous publications listed elsewhere in the nomination. The photographs in the nomination describe more than words can Mr. Wiener's design ability in residential, educational, religious and commercial fields.

In addition to Mr. Wiener's mastery and understanding of contemporary design he is a tireless worker for the Institute and the profession of Architecture and is an outstanding civic leader in Shreveport.

Yours very truly,

John A. Walker
President of the Shreveport Chapter
of the A. I. A.

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EUGENE H. FLEMING III - ARCHITECT
527 SPRING STREET, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

American Institute of Architects
"Jury of Fellows"
1735 New York Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

It is my opinion that William B. Wiener, Architect, of Shreveport, Louisiana, should be considered by the Jury of Fellows for advancement in the profession from Corporate member to Fellow in the American Institute of Architects, in the Design category.

During the past ten years in which I have known the nominee, he has consistently maintained high profession standards in all aspect of his practice. He has contributed to the advancement of the profession in his client-architect relationships and most particularly in the final product of his efforts -- well-designed architecture.

Recognition of this fact is expressed by the Honor awards and the Awards of Merit that the nominee has received from his fellow members of the profession.

Sincerely yours,



Eugene H. Fleming III, AIA

Member of Executive Committee
Shreveport Chapter, AIA

October 24, 1958
EHF III/dj

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SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

PHONE 5-3405

October 24, 1958

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

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

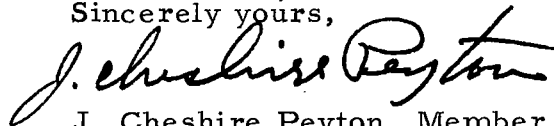
It is my recommendation that Mr. William B. Wiener be considered for a Fellowship in the Institute.

Mr. Wiener has contributed much to the advancement of the architectural profession at home and throughout the State by his consistently good design which is reflected in all his works.

He received the Gulf State Honor Award for his own residence in 1952, and the Award of Merit in 1956, for the excellent design of the Uptown Shopping Center here in Shreveport. His works have been widely publicized in many professional books and magazines.

It is with much pleasure that I support this nomination.

Sincerely yours,



J. Cheshire Peyton, Member
Executive Committee
Shreveport Chapter, A. I. A.

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WM. B. WIENER, MORGAN & O'NEAL

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WILLIAM B. WIENER A. I. A.
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WILLIAM F. FARRELL A. I. A.

October
27
1958

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

FACTUAL

Re: Nomination for Fellowship of William B. Wiener

Gentlemen:

I would like to submit my recommendation in support of the nomination of William B. Wiener for fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

From nine year's close association with Mr. Wiener in his practice of architecture I am familiar with his works and his architectural thought. No job is too small to receive his attention in design planning and detail, and no job is too urgent that it does not receive his attention all the way through to final completion. His design work is always fresh, bold and inventive, straightforward and unencumbered by clichés.

His residential work in the 1940's and 1950's has developed into a very distinct style which has been reflected in the builders' homes and subdivision developments in and around Shreveport. Though he has received honor awards in the Gulf States region for specific buildings, I think his major contribution to the profession of architecture has been the over all and sustained excellence of his architectural design.

Respectfully submitted,



Jesse O. Morgan, Jr.
Member of Executive Committee
Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.
JOM/pe

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Washington 6, D. C.

FACTUAL ✓

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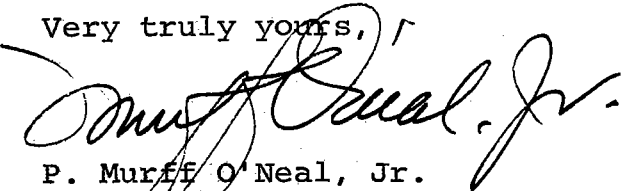
Gentlemen:

I am hereby recommending that Mr. William B. Wiener be considered for fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I have known the nominee intimately for the past fifteen years, and never have I known him to have any but the highest ideals in his practice and in the advancement of the profession of architecture. His consistently excellent design, from initial conception to the smallest detail, together with extremely competent site planning and landscaping, has won the admiration of both laymen and his fellow practitioners in the Gulf States region. This is borne out by the awards he has won in the Gulf States region, his membership on many civic committees and service on the National Honor Awards Committee of the A.I.A., both as a member and as chairman.

It is with the greatest pleasure that I support his nomination for fellowship in the Institute.

Very truly yours,



P. Murff O'Neal, Jr.
Member of Executive Committee
Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.
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27 October 1958

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

FACTUAL ✓

Gentlemen:


I am writing this letter in support of the nomination for Fellowship of Mr. William B. Wiener of Shreveport, Louisiana. He has for many years been a leader in this community in all things architectural and in many things of civic nature, and certainly represents the epitome of the type of person that is accorded this high honor by the Institute.

Mr. Wiener's design work has been of the highest order in our community, bringing credit not only to Shreveport but also to this whole region. His work has served as an inspiration to many of the younger men in this area.

Others who are supporting his nomination are sending lists of his work with honors accorded, publications and etc., to which I refer you.

I have had the pleasure of working with Mr. Wiener as a fellow officer at the time when he was President of the Louisiana Architects Association and when he was President of the Shreveport Chapter, and I can without hesitation, recommend him as a man of high honor and integrity.

Yours very truly,


G. Scott Smitherman

GSS/ms

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December 10, 1958

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

FACTUAL ✓

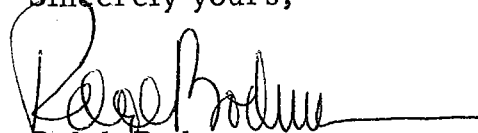
Gentlemen:

For his contribution in design, I am pleased to add my endorsement to the Shreveport Chapter's nomination of William B. Wiener for advancement to Fellowship in the Institute.

I have known Mr. Wiener for a number of years and, although residing in a different part of the state, have had the opportunity to see first hand the numerous excellent examples of his work in the Shreveport area. Particularly noteworthy, are the William B. Wiener residence, the Uptown Shopping Center, and the Shreveporter Highway Hotel.

His design is bold, fresh, and distinctive. Although he has assiduously avoided the use of repetitive details, in each of his buildings there are characteristics which identify it as a William B. Wiener design. He has contributed much to the advancement of design, not only in his area, but throughout this region.

Sincerely yours,


Ralph Bodman

RB:lo

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Jury of Fellows
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Shreveport Chapter
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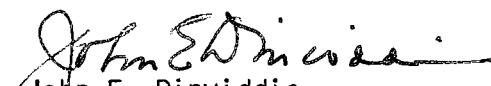
Dear Sirs:

In my position as Dean of the School of Architecture at Tulane University I receive more than thirty letters a year asking my support in advancement to Fellowship.

Because this is a matter requiring the utmost in careful consideration, I have answered only one this year, some years none at all, and never more than two.

Mr. William B. Wiener is fully deserving of this honor in my estimation, - in fact I was considerably surprised that he has not already received it. I do not believe I can add to the data submitted by the Executive Committee other than to say that I have the highest regard for his work and for him, and that I consider him one of the pioneers in establishing a high standard of design and practice in the South.

Sincerely,


John E. Dinwiddie
Dean

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January 20, 1959

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

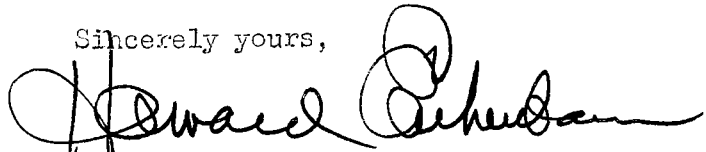
FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

I am very happy to add my endorsement to the nomination of William Wiener for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects. I am familiar with the many services William Wiener has performed in the interest of The Institute and his profession. He has served as President of his Chapter, President of the Louisiana Society of Architects, Chairman of National A.I.A. Committee on Honor Awards, and has continually devoted his time in the interest of various professional activities. In the field of architectural design, he has achieved an enviable position in his community and state. His work has been recognized by numerous state and regional awards. He has been one of the pioneers of contemporary architecture in his region and has been an influence on the younger practitioners in his state.

I hope that the Jury will act with favorable consideration in Mr. Wiener's behalf.

Sincerely yours,


Howard Eichenbaum

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3 December 1958

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

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

This is written in support of the nomination of Mr. William B. Wiener of Shreveport, Louisiana, for fellowship in the Institute.

I have known Mr. Wiener for the past 15 years and have been a close observer of his work during this period. Not only is his work of the highest architectural caliber but he has been a consistent and zealous contributor to the affairs of the Institute and to his profession. Mr. Wiener is a man of high morals and an outstanding citizen in his community and is worthy of the degree and honor of a fellowship.

Very truly yours,


L. Milton King

HOWARD R. MEYER, F.A.I.A.
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AIR MAIL

January 30, 1959

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

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

It was with great pleasure that I learned of the nomination of William B. Wiener for fellowship in the Institute for his contribution in design. This letter is in support of his nomination.

I have followed the development of Bill Wiener's work for many years and have seen the emergence of a notable group of buildings; residences, schools, churches and commercial buildings, all showing the hand of a sensitive designer. His own residence is one of great charm and originality, done with restraint and a sure knowledge of simple materials. His buildings attain distinction by a combination of this restraint and clarity of expression.

Bill Wiener has set a high standard in the conduct of his practice and receives great respect from his fellow-practitioners and his clients. As a leader of the profession in this part of the country, he deserves the recognition that advancement to Fellowship will bring to him.

Sincerely yours,


Howard R. Meyer

HRM:md

CARL L. OLSCHNER AND ASSOCIATES
ARCHITECTS

CARL L. OLSCHNER, A. I. A.
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October 30, 1958

Air Mail

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

FACTUAL


Gentlemen:

This is written to attest to achievements in design by Mr. William B. Wiener, Architect of Shreveport, Louisiana, who has been nominated by the North Louisiana Chapter for fellowship in the AIA. These achievements, many of which are known to me, have undoubtedly been covered by the Chapter. I feel strongly that Mr. Wiener has earned this recognition for his fine work in architectural design. I have known Mr. Wiener for approximately twenty years. He is personable, a gentleman of high regard, well liked and respected in his community and his Chapter, as well as by Architects throughout the state in the Louisiana Architects Association.

I deem it a privilege to attest to Mr. Wiener's fine qualities and his many activities, and trust that your Jury may consider his nomination favorably.

Yours very truly,

CARL L. OLSCHNER AND ASSOCIATES

BY 
Carl L. Olschner - AIA
New Orleans Chapter

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MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

January 5, 1959

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

FACTUAL

Re: Nomination for Fellowship
William B. Weiner

Gentlemen:-

One of the outstanding Architects in the South, William B. Weiner of Shreveport, Louisiana, has been nominated by the Executive Committee of his Chapter for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects for his achievements in architectural design.

It has been my happy privilege to have been acquainted with Mr. Weiner and his work for some ten years. During this period he and his firm have designed some very fine buildings which have been cited by the Architects in the Gulf States Region, A.I.A., as being worthy of distinction. In fact several of the projects have been selected by the Shreveport Chapter as the best work to represent the Chapter in the Gulf States Honor Awards program. Two projects have received special commendation in our Gulf States Honor Awards - one, Mr. Weiner's own residence, receiving an Honor Award and another, Uptown Shopping Center, receiving an Award of Merit.

During my regime as Gulf States Regional Director, I visited Shreveport several times so I have been able to see Mr. Weiner's works personally and of course have seen many projects of his in books and architectural magazines. His work is of consistent excellent design in contemporary style and is considered by those of us in this area to be of highest calibre.

I certainly think that Mr. Weiner deserves to be recognized by his fellow Architects for his distinguished work and it is with a great deal of pleasure that I take this opportunity to write to you in regard to his nomination.

Respectfully submitted,


CLYDE C. PEARSON, F.A.I.A.

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December 11, 1958

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

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

I have just learned of the nomination by the Shreveport Chapter of William B. Wiener for Fellowship in the A.I.A. and would appreciate an opportunity to add my support. Having lived for seven years in Louisiana I got to know Bill Wiener and his work very well.

The Shreveport Chapter has always set a high standard of work and there are few who would deny Bill Wiener the topmost spot in setting high standards of design. At the Tulane University School of Architecture we thought so highly of the work of Bill Wiener that we made an annual inspection trip to the Shreveport area so the students could have an opportunity to see it first hand. Bill was always a perfectionist - an architect's architect.

Mr. Wiener was also very interested in helping the students and the school. He served as adviser to President Rufus Harris on School of Architecture problems. Working in his office was top honors for he always considered the professional education of the students foremost. If there were more architects like Bill Wiener, architectural education generally would be greatly advanced. I recommend him as one of the countries best.

Respectfully yours,

Buford L. Pickens

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GULF STATES REGIONAL COUNCIL
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

JOHN H. PRITCHARD
REGIONAL DIRECTOR
TUNICA, MISSISSIPPI

December 2, 1958

WM. BAILEY SMITH
SECRETARY - TREASURER
POST OFFICE BOX 2267
BATON ROUGE, LA.

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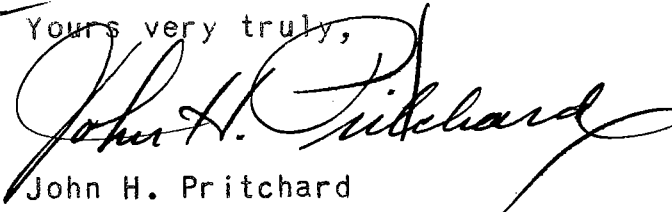
FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

I have been informed that Mr. William B. Wiener has been nominated for advancement to Fellowship and it is my pleasure to write in support of his nomination. I have had the personal pleasure of visiting Mr. Wiener's work in Shreveport, and to me it always stands out as exceptional work. I have spent several days at the Shreveporter Highway Hotel, which was published in the Architectural Record in 1956. When one has the opportunity to live in a building well planned, one is aware of the care and study required to develop the solution of the client's program, taking into account site, the use of materials, economic values and the development of detail and color. This is but an example of the many works over the years by Mr. Wiener, a list of which I am sure the Jury is familiar.

I believe in our area of the Gulf States and the Mid-South, Mr. Wiener is one of the truly creative designers and it is my earnest hope that the Jury will give every consideration to his advancement to Fellowship.

Yours very truly,



John H. Pritchard

JHP:df



December 2, 1958 / Re: Mr. William B. Wiener AIA

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

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

The writer has known Mr. Wiener for a number of years and fortunately has had the opportunity to view his work at first hand. In my opinion he has done an outstanding design job in an area where you would, in some ways, least expect to find it.

While it is true that he probably has not produced the most work in the area there is little question in my mind that all of it has been of extremely high quality and a credit to the profession.

Respectfully,

Harold Spitznagel AIA

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December 11, 1958

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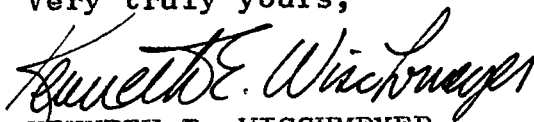
I have known Bill for some 15 years and am well aware of his accomplishments in design covering many outstanding buildings in the Shreveport area and I am also familiar with the many honors and awards bestowed upon him, both nationally and regionally, for his work. He has shown an interest and devotion to the architectural profession and has been a noteworthy example of an extremely capable architect of excellent ability and professional integrity. He has served the institute on both local and national committees and his work in behalf of the profession has been widely recognized by his many friends throughout the United States.

His contributions are well documented in his nomination by the Shreveport Chapter, as well as many publications of his work in national architectural magazines.

He has a warm personality which has earned him many friends who admire him both as a man and as a designer.

It is, therefore, with a great deal of pleasure that I add my endorsement to the Shreveport Chapter in requesting favorable consideration of his name for fellowship in the A.I.A.

Very truly yours,


KENNETH E. WISCHMEYER

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

December 17, 1958

C O N F I D E N T I A L

Re: William B. Wiener, A.I.A.

To Members of
The Executive Committee, Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.

An architect is advanced to Fellowship in recognition of exceptional ability or of exceptional service. The Jury of Fellows always tries to choose wisely and with discrimination, but it is limited in precise knowledge about the nominees.

To complete Nomination this form must be filled and returned before February 1st. Otherwise, no action will be taken at the forthcoming Jury meeting.

It is the opinion of the Jury of Fellows that a designer, however talented, should not be advanced to Fellowship if he possesses deficiencies of character which reflect discredit upon the profession; and that no architect, regardless of outstanding service, should be advanced if the buildings which he has designed are so notably inferior in architectural design as to reflect discredit upon the profession.

To help the Jury learn such aspects, which are not normally completely supplied through regular nomination procedure, fill in the lines below which in your opinion apply to William B. Wiener, A.I.A. and return this sheet in the addressed envelope provided.

1. Has he many friends who speak well of him? Yes
2. Do they also vouch for his accomplishments? Yes
3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? Yes
4. What is your opinion of his character? Mr. William B. Wiener

reflects credit upon the American Institute of Architects both as a man as well as an Architect. His character is above reproach. He is the finest type of citizen.

John A. Walden 12/26/58
(Signature)
Member of the Executive Committee, Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.



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2. Do they also vouch for his accomplishments? Yes
3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? Yes
4. What is your opinion of his character? Excellent -

Eugene H. Lemire
(Signature)

Member of the Executive Committee, Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.



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1. Has he many friends who speak well of him? Yes
2. Do they also vouch for his accomplishments? Yes
3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? Entirely
4. What is your opinion of his character? Excellent

J. Cheshire Taylor
(Signature)

Member of the Executive Committee, Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.

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December 17, 1958

C O N F I D E N T I A L

Re: William B. Wiener, A.I.A.

To Members of
The Executive Committee, Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.

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To help the Jury learn such aspects, which are not normally completely supplied through regular nomination procedure, fill in the lines below which in your opinion apply to William B. Wiener, A.I.A. and return this sheet in the addressed envelope provided.

1. Has he many friends who speak well of him? Yes
2. Do they also vouch for his accomplishments? Yes
3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? Unquestionably
4. What is your opinion of his character? Beyond question
and with a tremendous social conscience.

Jose P. Morgan Jr.
(Signature)
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4. What is your opinion of his character? "ABOVE REPROACH"

MUST HAVE BEEN COINED FOR WILLIAM WIENER.

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2. Do they also vouch for his accomplishments? Yes
3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? Yes
4. What is your opinion of his character? He represents the highest order of professional, moral, civic, & human character


(Signature)

Member of the Executive Committee, Shreveport Chapter, A.I.A.

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Evans, William S., AIA
Haas, Lester C., AIA
Sondal, Dewey A., FAIA
Walker, Marshall H., AIA

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Waite, Lloyd L., Building Coordinator, Caddo
Parish School Board - Shreveport, La.
Werner, W. Murray, President, Werner Co., Inc.,
General Building Contractors - Shreveport, La.

WILLIAM S. EVANS, A. I. A.
ARCHITECT AND ENGINEER
620 JOHNSON BUILDING
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

November 12, 1959

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

Gentlemen:

I would like to recommend Wm. B. Wiener for a Fellowship
in the design category.

He has done outstanding architectural design work in this
area, and due to his contribution in this line I would appreciate
your consideration of a Fellowship for him.

Sincerely,



WSE:1

cc: Mr. J. J. Morgan

LESTER C HAAS

MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN
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30 NOVEMBER 1959

ARCHITECT

JURY OF FELLOWS
1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

GENTLEMEN:

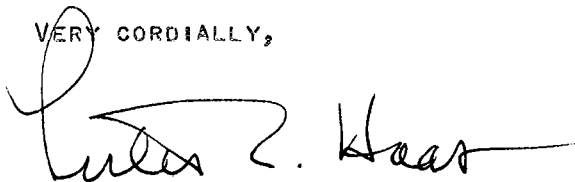
I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY OF WRITING ON BEHALF OF MR. WILLIAM B. WIENER WHO HAS BEEN NOMINATED FOR ELEVATION TO FELLOW IN THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SHREVEPORT CHAPTER.

I HAVE KNOWN MR. WIENER ALL MY LIFE, AND SINCE RETURNING TO SHREVEPORT IN 1946 TO ESTABLISH MY OWN OFFICE I HAVE FOLLOWED HIS CAREER AND BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH HIM ON CHAPTER MATTERS VERY CLOSELY. I HAVE ALWAYS ADMIRERD MR. WIENER'S PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES AND INTEGRITY, AND HIS DESIGNS ARE CERTAINLY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE HIGH IDEALS OF THE PROFESSION.

IN ADDITION TO MR. WIENER'S ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN CHAPTER, STATE AND NATIONAL A.I.A. AFFAIRS, HE HAS REPRESENTED THE PROFESSION IN MANY CIVIC PROJECTS.

I SINCERELY TRUST THAT THIS NOMINATION WILL RECEIVE YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATIONS.

VERY CORDIALLY,



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DEWEY A. SOMDAL, F. A. I. A.
EDWARD F. NEILD, A. I. A.
G. SCOTT SMITHERMAN, A. I. A.
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W. E. WILSON, JR.
J. C. JORDEN, JR., MECH. ENGR.

11 December 1959

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

Gentlemen:

FACTUAL


I wish to give all support and enthusiasm at my command to the elevation of William B. Wiener of Shreveport to Fellowship in the Institute.

I have known the nominee for over thirty years, and have watched his development as an outstanding architect and citizen of this community, with interest and pride.

His work stands out for it's faithful study and expert execution. Too often today, our profession gives way before the never ending problems of tight budgets and shabby workmanship. Mr. Wiener's executed works bespeak his knowledge of these problems, and his insistance on their proper solution. He has further created a high place for himself in community life by his generous and continuing support of our Community Chest and it's many agencies, and by his ardent support of cultural activities such as our Beautification Foundation.

Elevation of William Wiener will add luster to the Institute.

Sincerely yours,


Dewey A. Sordal

F. A. I. A.

DAS/cac

December 17, 1959

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

Re: William B. Wiener, A.I.A.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Sirs:

FACTUAL

This letter is written in the interest of having Mr. William B. Wiener considered for election to Fellow of the American Institute of Architects on the basis of his abilities as a designer.

I have followed with interest the creative designs of Mr. Wiener since 1934, when I first saw the results of his ability as a designer in the form of a lake house built for his family use. This structure later was recognized by and published in one of the national magazines. His work has been selected and published by editors many times since that date.

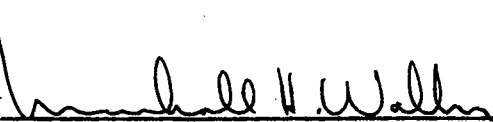
Mr. William B. Wiener has designed most of the large shopping centers in this area although his work has been by no means limited to such commercial structures. Schools, hospitals, residences, banks, etc. have all received the same obvious study, care, and capable attention to small detail as well as an overall excellence of plan.

In my humble opinion Mr. Wiener is one of the best Architectural Designers in North Louisiana and is most deserving of your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

WALKER and WALKER, ARCHITECTS

By


Marshall H. Walker

MHW:kp

E. M. FREEMAN and ASSOCIATES

CONSULTING ENGINEERS

HENRY C. BECK BUILDING
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

December 4, 1959

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

Dear Sirs:

FACTUAL

I am a Professional Civil Engineer licensed to practice Professional Engineering in Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Mississippi. I have been in private practice (civil engineering) since 1930.

I am a Past President of the Louisiana Section-American Society of Civil Engineers; Past President of the Gulf Institute of Consulting Engineers; President of the Louisiana State Institution of Civil Engineers; Past President of the Louisiana Engineering Society and Past National Director of the National Society of Professional Engineers. I am a member of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers; the Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers; the American Water Works Association; the American Concrete Institute and the Society of American Military Engineers. I am a member of Tau Beta Pi, Delta Chapter, Texas A & M. In 1948, I was the recipient of North Louisiana Chapter, A.I.A. Honor Award for "Contributions in the Field of Engineering and Civic Advancement".

This letter is written in the interest of William B. Wiener, A.I.A., Shreveport, Louisiana, who has been nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

The following comments are voluntary and are based on personal knowledge gained through many years of acquaintance and activity with the nominee.

Mr. Wiener is capable of interpreting and evaluating engineering designs and drawings. He has a keen sense of perception of values in structural parts. He has an understanding of structural engineering problems and constantly assists his structural engineer in minimizing and eliminating complicated structural devices, designs and layouts. His architectural designs readily lend themselves to feasible and economical structural support.

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I also know that he has developed structural improvements for various architectural finishes. He pioneered designs and construction of devices for preventing shrinkage cracks in stucco, brick work, concrete slabs and walls. He assisted in the development of improved expansion and shrinkage devices for structural steel and structural concrete, beams, girders and trusses. He has assisted in the development of improved structural column shapes of concrete, steel, aluminum and metal alloys.

Insofar as a Civil Engineer is qualified to say, it is my opinion that his designs are functional, exceptional and pleasing.

Yours very truly,



E. M. Freeman

f/n

ROBIN M. HOOD
PRESIDENT

ROSCOE H. WHITE
SUPERINTENDENT

W. C. RASBERRY, SR.
VICE-PRESIDENT

Caddo Parish School Board

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

December 8, 1959

Jury of Fellows

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

Re: Wm. B. Wiener, Architect
Commercial Nat. Bank Bldg.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

FACTUAL

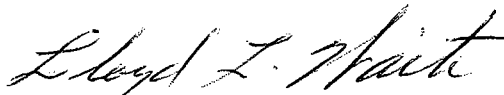
During the past ten years Mr. Wiener has been employed by this office as an architect for four of our major school projects. These have included two junior high schools, one twelve grade consolidated school and, presently under construction, a 1500 capacity senior high school. The value of this work is approximately five and one quarter million dollars.

In each instance Mr. Wiener has demonstrated exceptionally fine skill in translating our educational specifications into effective buildings. His concept of over-all design in relation to function, choice of materials, mass relationships, and detail has been consistently of the highest calibre. It is the writer's opinion that the buildings are well adapted to the sites and to the particular climatic factors that affect this region. Some of these buildings have been in use for several years and have proven to be most effective from the standpoint of the educational program as well as low cost in terms of maintenance.

In accomplishing appropriate solutions to our school plant problems, Mr. Wiener has made a fine contribution to the school building area as well as to the general building field of this region. His straightforward use of materials in achieving beauty rather than dependance on surface decoration has produced buildings of considerable aesthetic appeal without ostentation. In accomplishing this Mr. Wiener has been able to operate within our rather modest budget figures which have not exceeded \$12.50 per square foot.

It is a personal pleasure to commend Mr. Wiener to the Jury of Fellows.

Sincerely yours,



Lloyd L. Waite
Building Coordinator

LLW:mj

THE WERNER COMPANY, INC.

W. MURRAY WERNER, PRESIDENT

GENERAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS

P. O. BOX 908

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

December 24, 1959

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

FACTUAL
(new)

Gentlemen:

I have just learned that Mr. William B. Wiener has been recommended by the Shreveport Chapter AIA to the honor of Fellow in the American Institute of Architects. First, I wish to introduce myself. I have resided in Shreveport, Louisiana for almost sixty years and for the last thirty-four years, I have operated a general contracting business for my own account styled as The Werner Company. I am a charter member of the Shreveport Chapter AGC which was chartered in 1925, and I have served as its president six separate terms. I have also served as a National Director of AGC for fourteen years and during that time I was a member of the National Executive Committee for six years. In 1953 I was elected Chairman of the Building Division of the national organization, and in 1954 was offered the nomination for the national vice-presidency but was forced to decline because of my health. I am also an Associate Member of the ASCE. At various times I have held offices in various civic organizations such as the Shreveport Planning Commission for twelve years and the State Licensing Board for Contractors for a period of nine years.

I have known Mr. William B. Wiener personally for twenty-five years and prior to that time have observed his progress since he completed his architectural education and started in business here. During that time his sterling qualities as a man of highest integrity have been exemplified in every way.



Skill Integrity and Responsibility

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December 24, 1959

The Shreveport Chapter AIA has set forth Mr. Wiener's architectural accomplishments. I would like to make some comment regarding the quality of his drawings. We have been fortunate enough to serve as contractor on a great number of his projects and without reservation, I am pleased to state that the quality and completeness of his plans and specifications has made it very advantageous to the owner as well as a general contractor that might be working on one of his projects.

It is with much pleasure and an honor that I am permitted to commend Mr. Wiener for your favorable consideration to honor him as the Shreveport Chapter AIA has recommended.

Yours truly,



W. Murray Werner

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