

Willis, George
Texas

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Application for Membership

Nov 1, 19 21

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

SIR:

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

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name George Willis

Address Chandler Bldg - San Antonio, Texas
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Chicago Ill - Aug 11 - 1879

Graduate in architecture _____
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture _____
[If required in your case, attach evidence.]

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts _____
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter _____

If practicing architect, firm name George Willis

Have been in practice 9 years _____

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

Collegiate and office training 2 1/2 years of College Course in Architecture at Armour Institute - 2 1/2 yrs with Frank Lloyd Wright - 1 year with Raymond Hunt

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

George Willis
[Signature of Applicant.]

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

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date _____
[Insert date of election to chapter.]

Secretary.
Chapter, A. I. A.

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

- (1) H. A. Overbeck
- (2) Herbert M. Greene
- (3) W. V. Seibler

Prelim. Fee	<u>pd. \$5.00 12/6/21</u>
Initiation	<u>submitted</u>
Unan. Exp.	<u>7.00</u>
Exhibits	<u>must send</u>
Un. P. Exp.	

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

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February 16, 1922.

My dear Mr. Willis:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective February 16, 1922.

You have been assigned to the Texas Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter so notified.

The engrossed Certificate of Membership will be sent to you in due course, after engrossing and signing by the President and Secretary. The enclosed statement covering current dues should receive prompt attention.

May I take this opportunity to say that the office of the Secretary at the Octagon is for the service of every Institute member. Should the occasion arise we shall be glad to give you our best cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George Willis,
Chandler Building,
San Antonio, Texas.

K:VB
ENCL

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March 27, 1924.

Dear Mr. Willis:-

This will advise you of the formation of the West Texas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, effective March 4, 1924.

As you are residing within the territory of the West Texas Chapter we have transferred you, as an Institute member in good standing from the Texas Chapter to the West Texas Chapter, effective March 4, 1924.

We have advised Mr. Herbert S. Green, Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the West Texas Chapter, to whom we are sending all Institute communications for the time being.

By direction of the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George Willis,
Chandler Building,
San Antonio, Texas.

K:VB

GEORGE WILLIS ARCHITECT

CHANDLER BUILDING TELEPHONE C 3
SAN ANTONIO TEXAS



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*The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon
1741 New York Ave
Washington
D.C.*

December 29, 1936

Dear Mr. Willis:

This will acknowledge with thanks your remittance of \$25.00 in payment of your note covering Institute dues in arrears.

We are enclosing herewith cancelled note, and take this opportunity to thank you for your promptness in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer.

K*McL
Encl.

Mr. George Willis, A.I.A.
Builders' Exchange Building
San Antonio, Texas

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GEORGE WILLIS
ARCHITECT

BUILDERS EXCHANGE BUILDING

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Jan 16 1943

Mr. Raymond J. Ashton, Treasurer
American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ashton

I regret that circumstances force me to
present this as my resignation from the
American Institute of Architects.

Enclosed is check for \$20⁰⁰ - payment
for 1942 dues.

Yours Truly
George Willis.

PAID
\$20⁰⁰ for 1942 dues
1-20-43

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1943 JAN 20 AM 10:04

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Elected 1922
Washington, D.C.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 20, 1943

Dear Mr. Willis:

This will acknowledge, with appreciation, your check for \$20.00 for your 1942 Institute dues.

It is with much regret that we note you wish to resign your membership in The Institute and the West Texas Chapter, and in view of your twenty years of membership it has occurred to us that you may be eligible for election as a Member Emeritus. Such membership would exempt you from the payment of further dues to The Institute and the chapter, while permitting you to retain all of the rights and privileges of active membership.

An application blank is enclosed, and if you find you are eligible, we shall be glad to receive the executed application form for submission to The Board of Directors at its next meeting.

In any event, we are holding up further action on your resignation until we hear further from you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. George Willis, A.I.A.
Builders Exchange Building
San Antonio, Texas

K/g
Enclosure

Copy to the Secretary, West Texas Chapter, A.I.A.

THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
PHELPS & DEWEES & SIMMONS
ARCHITECTS
SUITE 1515 MAJESTIC BUILDING
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

1943 APR 12 AM 9:48

WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 7, 1943

Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Executive Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Mr. George Willis of this city, who has been a member of the American Institute of Architects for more than twenty years, informed me a few days past that he was resigning from the Institute, that he paid his current dues and filed with you a letter of resignation.

Mr. Willis turned over to me a letter received from you which suggested that possibly he was eligible for membership emeritus. My understanding of the requirements is that he will have to be 70 years of age or more, or incapacitated to such an extent that he is unable to practice his profession. Mr. Willis has not yet reached the age of 70, nor is he incapacitated to the extent whereby he cannot practice architecture. Therefore, I assume that he is not eligible. If I am correct, it is to be regretted because I am sure that Mr. Willis was not able to carry the membership dues and will, in all probability, resign from the Institute. All of us in this Chapter would regret exceedingly if Mr. Willis dropped out. He is a high type of man and one of the most ethical of all the architects in our chapter.

Your observations and advice in regard to the above, would be appreciated very much.

Sincerely yours,


Dahl Dewees

DD/FL

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*Suspense
Respectfully pending*

April 14, 1943

Dear Mr. Devoes:

Responding to yours of April 7 at hand on the 12th, with reference to Mr. George Willis whose resignation is pending

He is indebted for ~~1942 dues in the sum of \$20.00~~ and also for 1943 dues in the sum of \$20.00.

Apparently he is not eligible for election as a Member Emeritus. We hesitate to recommend any action leading to the remission of his dues for ~~these two years~~ 1943 as that might not be his desire.

However, we are at liberty to point out that in exceptional cases The Board of The Institute remits The Institute dues of corporate members, for special circumstances and upon the recommendation of the Chapter.

Any such recommendation should certify that the Chapter has or will remit chapter dues.

The next meeting of The Board of The Institute will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the Netherland Plaza Hotel on May 22.

The agenda of The Board meeting will be completed at The Octagon on May 15.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Dahl Devoes, A.I.A.
Suite 1515 Majestic Building
San Antonio, Texas

BCK:ER

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August 19, 1943

Dear Mr. Simmons:

In January, Mr. George Willis, A.I.A., wrote resigning his membership in The Institute and the West Texas Chapter. In view of his many years of membership we wrote to him sending him an application for retirement and election as a Member Emeritus.

Mr. Willis did not respond direct, but we did hear from Mr. Dahl Dewees advising that Mr. Willis apparently was not eligible for retirement, and as he probably could not continue dues payments would have to resign. Mr. Dewees stated that this is to be regretted as Mr. Willis is a high type of man and one of the most ethical of all architects in the chapter.

In response we advised Mr. Dewees that if the chapter wished to do so it could recommend to The Board of Directors of The Institute that his dues be remitted. In such case, it would be well if the chapter remitted his chapter dues as well.

Nothing further has been heard in this case, and if Mr. Willis' dues are not to be remitted, then his resignation should be acted upon.

We shall appreciate hearing from you as to the chapter's wishes in this matter. If dues are not to be remitted, please advise if Mr. Willis was in good standing as of December 31, 1942, in order that his resignation may be accepted as a member in good standing.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. C. C. Simmons, Secretary
West Texas Chapter, A.I.A.
Majestic Building
San Antonio, Texas

Assistant Treasurer

K/g
Copy to Mr. Dewees

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
 PHELPS & DEWEES & SIMMONS ARCHITECTS
 SUITE 1515 MAJESTIC BUILDING
 SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS WASHINGTON, D. C.

1943 SEP 25 AM 9:05

September 22, 1943

Handwritten notes:
 Mrs M
 Has Mr Willis
 paid up
 1943 - 25.00
 [unclear]

Mr. Edward C. Kemper
 Executive Secretary
 American Institute of Architects
 1741 New York Avenue, NW
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

In regard to the status of Mr. George Willis, as mentioned in your letter of August 19th, we would like to advise that we have had several conversations with Mr. Willis. Mr. Willis was paid up and in good standing in this Chapter up to December 31, 1942. However, he has just informed us that he is going to pay up his dues in the very near future.

This will, of course, solve the question, and we are very happy to know that Mr. Willis intends to remain a member of the Institute.

Very sincerely yours,

C. C. Simmons
 C. C. Simmons, Secretary-Treasurer
 West Texas Chapter, A.I.A.

CCS/FL

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Willis

September 27, 1943

Dear Mr. Simmons:

We are very glad to have your letter of September 22nd advising that Mr. George Willis is planning to continue as a member of The Institute and the West Texas Chapter.

Accordingly, we are filing his previous letter of resignation.

With appreciation of your efforts in ^{presiding} ~~behalf~~ of Mr.

Willis,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. C.C. Simmons, Secretary-Treasurer
West Texas Chapter, A.I.A.
1515 Majestic Building
San Antonio, Texas

K/g



West Texas Chapter

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

San Antonio, Texas

February 1, 1951

Mr. J. W. Rankin, Administrative Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

In accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b-2),
Section 4, Article 2, Chapter I, of the AIA By-Laws, the
Executive Committee of the West Texas Chapter requests
that George Willis be suspended for non-payment of 1950
Chapter dues.

Yours truly,

E. I. Freeborn

E. I. Freeborn
Secretary-Treasurer
2806 Main Avenue

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February 21, 1951

Dear Mr. Willis:

As you know, every corporate member of The Institute must be assigned to a local chapter and pay dues to that chapter. When local dues remain unpaid, the Chapter may request The Institute to suspend or terminate the membership.

It is a long-established policy of The Board of The Institute to support the chapter in this procedure, but not without making every effort to bring about the restoration of the good standing of the corporate member concerned.

The West Texas Chapter has requested that your membership in The Institute and the Chapter be suspended for non-payment of 1950 chapter dues.

The purpose of this letter is to suggest that you clear your accounts for your 1950 dues with both The Institute and the Chapter, thus maintaining your membership in good standing. *Done*

Another suggestion occurs to us also, in view of your many years of A.I.A. membership. It is possible you may be eligible for election as a Member Emeritus of The Institute, which would permit you to retain all the rights and privileges of active corporate membership, while being relieved of payment of further Institute and chapter dues.

An application form is enclosed, and if you are eligible under either of the conditions (a) or (b) and will sign and return it, we shall be pleased to do all we can to secure favorable action. *Read*

Your response to the above will be greatly appreciated, not later than March 24, for we must proceed to act on the Chapter's recommendation that your membership be suspended after that date.

The Secretary of the West Texas Chapter is Mr. E. I. Freeborn, 2806 Main Avenue, San Antonio, should you wish to communicate with him.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. George Willis, A.I.A.
2303 Transit Tower
San Antonio, Texas

J. W. Rankin
Administrative Secretary

JWR/g-Enclosure
Copy to the Secretary, West Texas Chapter,
A.I.A.

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Dated 19 .
Received 19 .
Granted 19 .
N° M
(Do not fill in above dates)

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

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP EMERITUS

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

Strike out the inappropriate reason, a or b, as the case may be.

I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in The Institute for the following reasons:

- a. I am more than 70 years of age. — (8-11-99)
- b. ~~I am unable to engage in any gainful vocation.~~

Write in name of chapter.

I have been in good standing in The Institute and the *West Texas* chapter for 15 successive years or more immediately preceding the date of this application.

Respectfully,

Date *March 14* 19 *51*

George Willis
signature

The applicant may supplement the above reasons in writing below or on sheets which he shall attach to this application. Under exceptional conditions and circumstances, The Board of Directors may lessen the period of good standing but neither of requirements a or b.

Enclosed is check for \$40 - payment of 1950 dues - as instructed by E. S. Fraasbome, Secretary of West Texas Chapter.

PAID
DATE *3-19-51*
\$40 = for 1950 dues
Surplus note mailed 3/15/51

Elected 1922

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 22, 1951

Dear Mr. Willis:

We are in receipt of your application for election as a Member Emeritus of The Institute, together with your check for \$40.00 for your 1950 Institute dues.

We shall be pleased to put your application forward and advise you of the final action taken in due course.

No doubt by now you will have received the Notice of Suspension of your Institute membership, which was mailed on March 15th, while your check for your 1950 dues did not arrive until March 19 - too late to hold up its mailing.

However, now that payment has been made, your membership may be restored to good standing, provided that you also have taken care of your 1950 dues to the West Texas Chapter, which we believe you must have done.

The Officers and Board of Directors of The Institute will be pleased at your action in restoring your membership to good standing, as an indication of your continuing interest in and support of your professional society.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Rankin
Administrative Secretary

Mr. George Willis, A.I.A.
2303 Transit Tower
San Antonio, Texas

JWR/fhg



West Texas Chapter

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

San Antonio, Texas

April 3, 1951

Mr. J. W. Rankin, Administrative Secretary
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

With reference to your letter of March 22, 1951, this is to advise you that Mr. George Willis, AIA, has paid his 1950 Chapter and Texas Society of Architects dues and is now in good standing.

Sincerely yours,

E. I. Freeborn
Secretary-Treasurer
2806 N. Main Avenue

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

NOTICE OF ELECTION—MEMBER EMERITUS

TO **Mr. George Willis, A.I.A.**
2303 Transit Tower
San Antonio, Texas

It is my privilege to advise you that The Board of Directors has conferred upon you
the title

MEMBER EMERITUS

of The American Institute of Architects and of its component organizations of which you are
a member, exempting you from the payment of annual dues to The Institute and such
organizations, effective **December 31, 1950**

Date **April 19,** 19 **51**

.....
Carroll D. [Signature]
Secretary

~~FFHG~~
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members
Willis George (1922)

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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

February 9, 1960

To: The Secretary or Executive Secretary of the
San Antonio Chapter
The American Institute of Architects

Dear **Mr. Jones:**

We were very sorry to learn of the death of **George Willis**
on **1/22/60** a corporate member of The Institute
since **1922** .

We would appreciate it very much if you would have two
copies of the enclosed Baldwin Memorial Archive Forms
filled in and returned to The Institute for its files.
The third copy is for your files.

Sincerely yours,

Edmund R. Purves, F.A.I.A.
Executive Director

P:R:s
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cc: Treasurer's Office

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Noted: JHS