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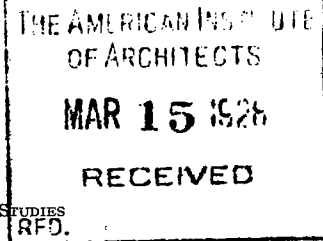
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March 14th, 1928.

Mr. Frank C. Baldwin,  
Secretary, American Institute of Architects,  
1741 New York Avenue,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to certify that Mr. Edgar I. Williams, as winner of the Prix de Rome, held a Fellowship in Architecture at the American Academy in Rome during the three years 1909-1912, and was awarded a diploma by the Academy after the completion of the term of his Fellowship.

I understand that you desire this information in considering Mr. Williams' candidacy for membership in the American Institute of Architects.

Respectfully yours,

*Roscoe Guernsey*  
Roscoe Guernsey,  
Executive Secretary.

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March 19, 1928.

Dear Mr. Guernsey:-

Permit me to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of the 14th certifying that Mr. Edgar I. Williams held a Fellowship in Architecture at the American Academy in Rome during the three years 1909-1912, and was awarded a diploma by the Academy after the completion of the term of his Fellowship.

At some convenient moment will you not be good enough to advise us of Mr. Williams' address in order that we may communicate with him and let him know that to date we have received no application from him for Institute Membership.

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. Roscoe Guernsey, Executive Secretary,  
 American Academy in Rome,  
 101 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y.

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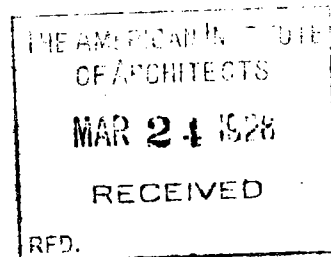
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March 23rd 1928.



Mr. Edward C. Kemper,  
American Institute of Architects,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

It is with great pleasure that  
I give you the address of one of our well known  
Fellows, Mr. Edgar I. Williams, of 10 West 33rd  
Street, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

*Roscoe Guernsey*  
Roscoe Guernsey,  
Executive Secretary.

Williams, Edgar I.  
New York

No. 1000

# Application for Membership

14 March, 1928

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects.

Reference to B.A.S. = 3/2/28
Initials
On Priv. Com. of

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects, and certify that the following statements are correct:

Name Edgar I. Williams

Address 10 West 33rd St. New York N.Y.  
[Number and Street.] [City.] [State.]

Place and date of birth Rutherford N.J. Oct. 5, 1884

Graduate in architecture Massachusetts Institute of Technology BS 1904 MS 1909  
[If required in your case, give name of institutions and year.—Attach evidence of Diploma or Certificate of graduation.]

Holder of Scholarship in architecture American Academy in Rome  
[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 Ecolé des Beaux Arts.....  
[If required in your case, state which, and attach evidence of Certificate.]

If your State has a Registration or License Law and you are not registered, state reasons.....  
Registered in New York and New Jersey

If practicing architect, firm name Williams and Barratt

Have been in practice 10 years. If draughtsman, employed by.....

Collegiate and office training.....

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

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

(1) Edgar I. Williams  
[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..... (2) .....  
[Insert date of election to chapter.] [Signature of the Secretary of the chapter.]

If the applicant is not an Associate, the following acknowledgment must be signed:

Without endorsement I hereby take note on behalf of my chapter that this applicant is applying for Institute membership (3).....  
[Signature of President or Secretary of Chapter to which the applicant will be assigned if elected.]

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

Registration or License Number. (4) Russell H. Burt

(Essential if Registered) (5) Donald H. ...

(6) George S. ...

It is not mandatory that applicants from Registration or License law states be registered or licensed. But the current number of Registration or License must appear here if the applicant is registered or licensed.  
[The signatures of three Institute members are here required even if the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed, and in which there were no negative votes. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

(7) N.Y. - 1022 (1927-8)  
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March 26, 1928

Dear Mr. Williams:-

Permit me to acknowledge with gratification, and on behalf of the Secretary, your application for membership in The American Institute of Architects.

The application is complete in every respect except for remittances of \$20.00 to cover balance due on the Initiation Fee and \$25.00 covering annual dues, which are payable in advance. These rulings went into effect in January, 1928, and therefore the provision was not contained in the application which you submitted.

Trusting you will find it possible to complete your application by sending forward the necessary remittances in order that there will be no unnecessary delay in getting action, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Edgar I. Williams,  
10 West 33rd Street,  
New York, N. Y.

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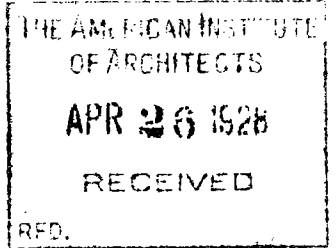
WILLIAMS AND BARRATT, ARCHITECTS

10 WEST THIRTY-THIRD STREET

NEW YORK

EDGAR IRVING WILLIAMS, F. A. A. R.

ROSWELL FORMAN BARRATT, A. I. A.



April 25, 1928

Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Sec.  
The Octagon  
1741 New York Avenue  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

Enclosed is my check for \$45.00 to complete  
my application for membership in the American Institute  
of Architects.

Yours very truly,

*Edgar I. Williams*

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Received Payment  
American Institute of Architects  
4/28/28

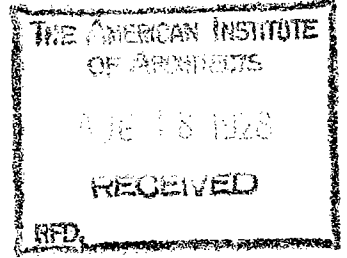
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ROSWELL FORMAN BARRATT, A. I. A.



*John M.*

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August 17, 1928

Mr. Edward C. Kemper, Sec.  
The Octagon  
1741 New York Avenue  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I have not received acknowledgment of my check of \$45.00 sent to you on April 25th with application for membership. Am I, or am I not, a member in whole, or part, of the American Institute of Architects?

Yours very truly,

*Edgar I. Williams*

EIW:W

*Name appeared in Priv. Com. in May 1928 Jc.  
To be released by N.J. Chagater  
ms*

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August 27, 1928.

My dear Mr. Williams:

Responding to yours of August 17th we find that Institute action on your application has long been completed.

We cannot advise you, however, until a release is received from the New York Chapter. We suggest that you make inquiry of the Executive Secretary of the New York Chapter - Miss Marguerite Watrous - at 101 Park Avenue, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Edgar I. Williams,  
10 West Thirty-third Street,  
New York, N. Y.

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Copy to Miss Watrous.



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October 23, 1928.

Dear Mr. Williams:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in The American Institute of Architects, effective October 15, 1928.

You have been assigned to the New York Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter, Mr. Julian Clarence Levi, has been so notified.

Your engrossed Certificate of Membership will come forward in due course - after the signatures of the President and Secretary have been affixed thereto.

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.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Edgar I. Williams,  
10 West 33rd Street,  
New York, N. Y.

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P. S. Under separate cover we are forwarding the 1928-1929 Annuary just off the press, and the Proceedings of the Sixty-first Convention.

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May 11, 1933

Dear Mr. Williams:

We find that we have received two checks from you in payment of your 1933 Institute dues; one on March 16 for \$25.00 and one on March 28 for \$25.00.

If you wish we would be glad to credit \$25.00 of this to advance payment for your 1934 dues or, if you prefer, we will refund the extra \$25.00.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer.

Mr. Edgar I. Williams,  
1 Park Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

K.M

EDGAR I. WILLIAMS  
ARCHITECT

ONE PARK AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.  
CALEDONIA 5-3433

C. B. F. BRILL

May 12th  
19 33

*Williams*



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

Dear Mr. Kemper:

I will greatly appreciate your refunding  
me \$25., in accordance with your letter  
of May 11th.

Very truly yours,

*Edgar I. Williams*

Edgar I. Williams



Received Nov. 1, 1940

Voted On *May 17* 1941

*June 22/42* Voted On *Passed* 1942

Voted On 19 .

Granted June 22, 1942

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
JURY OF FELLOWS

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

1. Name of Nominee Edgar I. Williams Date of Nomination Oct. 11, 1940
2. Address of Nominee 126 East 38th Street, New York, N. Y.
3. Nominee's firm Edgar Williams, Architect
4. Nominee's principal place of business New York City
5. Nominee's Chapter New York
6. Nominee's State Association Member
7. Nominee admitted to Institute 1928 19 .
8. Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from 1928 to Dec. 31, 1940 and  
May 16, 1941
9. Nominee's age 56 Birthplace Rutherford, N. J. Dec. 31, 1941
10. Nominators: Executive Committee, New York Chapter.

11. Achievement in design, education and service to The Institute.

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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

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JURY OF FELLOWS

The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue,  
Washington, D. C.

Date October 11 1940

The Executive Committee of this Chapter, at a duly called meeting on October 11 1940  
nominated\*  
member of this Chapter, for fellowship in The Institute. I enclose evidence of the qualifications of  
the nominee for the fellowship on which the nomination was based and certify the resolution is as  
follows:

\*Type in full name.

"Whereas, this Executive Committee believes\* Edgar I. Williams  
a member of this Chapter, has made so notable a contribution to the advancement of the pro-  
fession because of his achievement in\*\* design, education and service to the  
that he is worthy of fellowship in The Institute; and Institute.

\*Type in full name.

\*\*Type in "Design," "Science of Construction," "Literature," "Education," "Service to The Institute," or "Public Service," as is appropriate.

"Whereas, said member has been in good standing in this Chapter for† twelve  
consecutive years immediately prior to this date; therefore be it

†Type in number of years.

"Resolved, That‡‡ the New York Chapter,  
The American Institute of Architects, does hereby nominate\*  
Edgar I. Williams

‡‡Type in name of Chapter.

\*Type in full name.

for fellowship in The Institute, and the President and the Secretary be and hereby are  
authorized and directed to prepare the nomination papers and forward them to the Jury of  
Fellows of The Institute and to do all things proper to forward said nomination."

*Frederick J. Woodbridge*  
Secretary.

THE NOMINATORS SHOULD SEE THAT LETTERS OR DATA ARE SENT TO THE JURY OF FELLOWS IN SUPPORT OF THIS NOMINATION.

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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

1. Nominee's full name Edgar I. Williams
2. Nominee is a natural ~~naturalized~~ citizen of the United States
3. Nominee's legal residence 131 West Passaic Ave., Rutherford, N. J.
4. Nominee's firm name Edgar Williams, Architect
5. Nominee's principal place of business, address 126 East 38th Street, New York City

2. Strike out inappropriate word and write in name of Country.

6. Nominee is registered <sup>4</sup> or licensed to practice architecture by New York  
New Jersey  
Connecticut

Type in "N.C., D. C., N.Y., Pa., R. I., S. D., W. Va., W. Virg." or name of State Board, as case may be.

7. Nominee is engaged in practice of architecture as a practicing architect <sup>4</sup>—teacher in architecture—~~teacher in science of construction~~—public official—retired.

Strike out inappropriate words.

8. Born October 5, 1884 Place of birth Rutherford, N. J.

Type in date of birth and city and Country.

9. Nominee's schools, colleges and universities:

	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
High School				
Private School	Horace Mann School	3		
College or University	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	4	1908	BS
College or University				
Post Graduate at	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	1	1909	MS
Scholarships held	Fellow of the American Academy in Rome	3	1912	

10. Other data concerning nominee's record.

Type in important experiences during employment or additional statistics of importance in nominee's record.

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Nominators should Read "Principles Underlying the Bestowal of Fellowships", Institute Document No. 9, before completing this nomination. Additional sheets may be inserted to supplement any page, 3 to 7, inclusive. Use Typewriting only.

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

1. Works

Type (a) Commercial (b) Monumental (c) Domestic (d) Special	Identification of Work	Location of Work  (City) (State)	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
	George A. Fuller, Jr.	Huntington, N. Y.		3 ✓
	Mrs. C. R. Holmes	Sands Point, N. Y.		7 ✓
	"	Drawing		1 ✓
	"	New York City		5 ✓
	Metcalf Memorial	Orange, N. J.		2 ✓
	Reginald Frost	Peapack, N. J.		7 ✓
	Mrs. M. B. Metcalf	Llewelyn Park, N. J.		2 ✓
	K. D. Pierson	Milwaukee, Wis.		2 ✓
	Manton Metcalf, Jr.	New York, N. Y.		1 ✓
	A. N. Decker	Old Lyme, Conn.		1 ✓
	Edward Rook	Old Lyme, Conn.		1 ✓
	E. Van Voorhees	Rutherford, N. J.		1 ✓
	U. S. Post Office	Rutherford, N. J.		2 ✓
	Miscellaneous sketches			3 ✓

Under Column headed "Type" type in (a), (b), (c), or (d), as the case may be.

Type in last Column to right the number submitted in each case.

2. Describe nominee's notable work in design, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

Mr. Williams has displayed notable versatility and feeling in design, particularly in his residential work. This is marked by strong character and careful and knowingly executed detail in a variety of styles. It is evident that good design is the primary consideration, and a remarkable freedom is the result. This skillful application of excellent detail to a free solution is a distinct contribution to design.

## NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

### 1. CONSTRUCTION WORK

<i>Type of Work Constructed</i>	<i>Identification of Work</i>	<i>Location of Work</i>	<i>Completed Construction Work (Year)</i>	<i>Photographs, Drawings, or Sketches Submitted</i>
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Type in last column to right the number submitted in each case.

### 2. BOOKS, TREATISES, OR ARTICLES WRITTEN

<i>Subject Title</i>	<i>Where Published</i>	<i>Date Published</i>
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3. Describe nominee's notable work in the science of construction and any recognition thereof by other societies, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.



## NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

## 1. EDUCATION WORK

(List the degrees and the educational positions held by the nominee, and bring out clearly the nominee's signal work and its particular force and influence which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by pupils, the profession, other societies, or the public.)

Instructor of Architectural Design - Mass. Inst. Tech.	-	1913-14
Associate Professor	" " "	- 1914-16
Associate in Architecture - Columbia University	-	1920-28
		1937-

Mr. Williams has been universally admired by those who have come under his instruction.

## 2. LITERARY WORK

(List the original written works of the nominee and state clearly the particular force and influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by other societies, the profession, educational institutions or the public.)

<i>Book, Treatise or Article</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Name of Book or Periodical Containing Work</i>	<i>Year Work Published</i>
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Numerous magazine articles on architecture, architectural education, relations with decorators, architectural competitions.

Former Associate Editor, Interior Design and Decoration

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

1. State fully the nominee's signal service to The Institute, his chapter, or his state association, or to the profession, which the nominators believe has notably contributed to the advancement of the profession, and list the offices in architectural organizations occupied by the nominee and the period of each.

Served on various committees of the New York Chapter;  
Admissions Committee, (Chairman, 2 years);  
Nominating Committee, (Chairman 1 year)  
Executive Committee, Competitions Committee, Education  
Committee, etc.  
A.I.A. Committee on Membership (Vice Chairman, 1 year)

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## NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE

1. List the public offices held by the nominee and the positions of trust held by him in recognition of civic leadership, and state clearly his notable work in public service and the particular influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession.

Served on various committees in relation to architectural interests in New York City and Architectural League of New York; Vice President of Architectural League, 2 years ; President, now in second year.  
Was Trustee of the American Academy in Rome, 18 years.  
Member Town Planning Board, Rutherford, N. J.  
on School Board, Rutherford, N. J., 4-1/2 years  
Trustee of American Fine Arts Society, New York City

Mr. William's services to the profession as President of the Architectural League of New York have been outstanding. He has labored tirelessly to increase the prestige of the arts in New York City.

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July 6, 1942

Dear Mr. Williams:

It is my privilege to advise you of your election as a Fellow of The American Institute of Architects by action of The Jury of Fellows at its meeting in Detroit on June 23, 1942.

Notice of your election has been sent to the New York Chapter and will be published in THE OCTAGON.

A certificate of advancement to Fellowship will be sent to you or presented to you in due course - depending upon procedure to be determined by The Board of Directors at its late fall meeting and in the light of conditions then existing.

The Officers and Directors of The Institute join me in extending to you their congratulations.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

Mr. Edgar I. Williams, F.A.I.A.  
126 East 38th Street  
New York, New York

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