

STUBBINS, HUGH ASHER, JR.

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31 October 1957

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American Institute of Architects  
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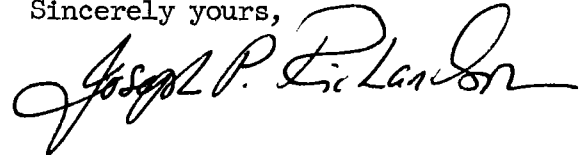
Dear Sir:

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Hugh Stubbins, Jr., of Massachusetts, who, I understand, has been proposed for advancement to Fellowship for his notable achievement in the field of design.

Mr. Stubbins' works both here and abroad have merited distinguished awards, and his fine reputation in the low-cost residential field, as well as in the residential field for higher incomes, is well known. His contributions to the field of education, including teaching and design of many schools, are most noteworthy.

I have high regard for Mr. Stubbins not only as an architect with great talent but as a gentleman of integrity, and I recommend him without reservation to your Committee for favorable consideration.

Sincerely yours,



Joseph P. Richardson

SMITH AND SELLEW ARCHITECTS  
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ST. JOHN SMITH  
FRANCIS B. SELLEW

December 26, 1957

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

Attention: The Jury of Fellows

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing answers to your questions about Messrs. Hugh Stubbins, Herbert Beckwith and Nelson Aldrich, with reference to their becoming Fellows in the American Institute of Architects.

I know these three architects very well - their ability and what they have done for the profession - and their character is unquestionable.

In my opinion, the Institute will benefit by their becoming Fellows.

Yours very truly,



St. John Smith

SJS:lh

Encl.

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S. S. EISENBERG-A. I. A.

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December 9, 1959

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

Gentlemen:

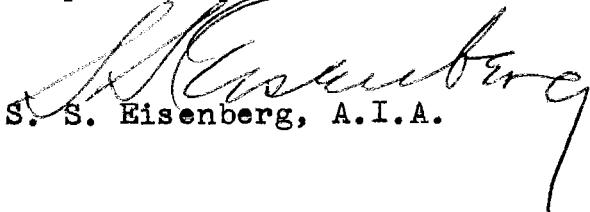
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May I be permitted to set forth my support in connection with the nomination of Hugh Stubbins for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

I have known Mr. Stubbins for many years and have worked with him on various committees of the Massachusetts chapter in the interest of the profession.

Though still a young man, he has established for himself a national and an international reputation. In addition to his professional capabilities, he is a fine gentleman and, in my book, a credit to our calling.

Respectfully submitted,

  
S. S. Eisenberg, A.I.A.

SSE:ss

JOHN RADFORD ABBOT, A. I. A.  
ARCHITECT  
JAMES A. MATHERS, ASSOCIATE  
1278 Massachusetts Avenue  
Cambridge, Mass.

December 8, 1959

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


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Gentlemen:

As a member of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts State Association of Architects, I take pleasure in writing you this letter to endorse the candidacy of Hugh Stubbins for Fellowship in the A.I.A. for Achievement in Design.

I have known Mr. Stubbins for several years and have admired him both as a man and as a talented practicing architect. His office has designed many notable buildings, not only locally but all over the world. I consider him one of the outstanding designers of this country and I believe that he is eminently qualified for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

Sincerely yours,

  
John Radford Abbot

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JEAN B. FLETCHER  
NORMAN FLETCHER  
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THE ARCHITECTS COLLABORATIVE

December 8, 1959

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

FACTUAL

Gentlemen:

May I give my strong recommendation for Hugh Stubbins for Fellowship for achievement in design.

Hugh Stubbins has shown over a considerable period an ability in design for all types of buildings which ranks high in the roster of American architects. He has given a sympathetic touch to all sorts of buildings including schools, houses, apartments, and others.

Sincerely,

THE ARCHITECTS COLLABORATIVE



Norman C. Fletcher

NCF:ph

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Gentlemen:

This is to support the nomination of Hugh Stubbins for Fellowship. I have known him since we were at architectural school together, twenty-five years ago and I have been one of his admirers ever since then.

He has a distinguished record for the buildings of many types that he has designed in this country and abroad. He is a man of fine character and attractive personality. In addition to his own practice he has contributed a great deal to the local Chapter activities. To me he is an outstanding member of the Institute.

Very truly yours,

*Sherman Morss*  
Sherman Morss

SM:hh

PERRY, SHAW, HEPBURN AND DEAN  
ARCHITECTS

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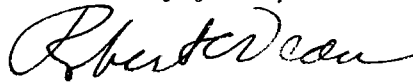
December 2, 1959

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

Gentlemen:

I have known Hugh Stubbins for fifteen or more years. He is one of the bright and shining lights of American Architecture. He is an able and willing public servant, an excellent teacher and a good architect. His election to the College of Fellows would reflect credit on the profession.

Sincerely yours,



RCD:EE



SMITH AND SELLEW ARCHITECTS

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December 1, 1959

To: Mr. John Radford Abbot  
Mr. Robert C. Dean  
Mr. Donald Des Granges  
Mr. Michael R. D'Orsi  
Mr. Samuel S. Eisenberg  
Mr. Norman C. Fletcher  
Mr. William E. Haible  
Mr. George T. Kelly  
Mr. Sherman Morss  
Mr. Wm. Bradford Sprout, Jr.  
Mr. Allan C. Steele  
Mr. Ernest A. Sterling ✓

Gentlemen:

Miss Florence H. Gervais, Secretary to The Jury of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects, has advised me that the nomination of Hugh Stubbins for Fellowship which was submitted by the Directors of the Massachusetts Chapter in 1957 (to be acted upon in 1958) was not followed by supporting letters from many of the signers of the nomination.

This reminder is sent to all signers of the nomination who, according to Miss Gervais' records, have not yet written letters in support of Hugh Stubbins, with the request that such letters be sent to Washington before January 1, 1960.

Letters should be addressed to:

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

You will recall that Hugh Stubbins was nominated for Fellowship for Achievement in Design.

Sincerely yours,

*Francis B. Sellew*  
Francis B. Sellew, Secretary  
Honors and Awards Committee

FBS:MSC

*An outstanding architect and worthy  
of such an honor as to be made  
a fellow of the American Inst. of Architects*  
*Ernest A. Sterling AIA*



# THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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Washington 6, D. C.

December 23, 1957

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

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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? YES
4. What is your opinion of his character? Excellent. I  
have known him for more than 20 years.

Sherman Mousa  
(Signature)

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

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3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? YES
4. What is your opinion of his character? HUGH STUBBINS' REPUTATION

AND CHARACTER ARE UNQUESTIONABLY OF THE HIGHEST ORDER. HE IS AN EMINENT MEMBER OF THE PROFESSION, AND HIS SUCCESS INDICATES NOT ONLY HIS COMPETENCE BUT ALSO RESOLUTE ADHERENCE TO THE PRINCIPLES OF GOOD PRACTICE.

William S. Haible  
(Signature)

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



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DEC 26 1957

W Bradford Thompson  
(Signature)

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John R. Abbott  
(Signature)

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R. H. Wear  
(Signature)

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1. Has he many friends who speak well of him? many
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? In my book  
Hugh Stubbins is the finest.

Samuel E. Embury  
(Signature)

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



# THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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First Request Sent:  
December 2, 1957  
Second Request: September 23, 1958

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3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? Yes
4. What is your opinion of his character? \_\_\_\_\_

*I have known Hugh intimately for over twenty years - He certainly is ideally fitted in every way to become a fellow*

Donald Des Granges  
(Signature)  
Member of the Executive Committee, Massachusetts Chapter, A.I.A.  
Donald Des Granges

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SECOND REQUEST

September 23, 1958  
First Request Sent: December 23, 1957

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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? Good

*Michael P. D'Arso*  
(Signature)

Member of the Executive Committee, Massachusetts 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? His work is of the highest standards.
3. Would his ethics be acceptable in business? His professional ethics are on a much higher basis than purely business ethics.
4. What is your opinion of his character? Very high

Norman C. F. [Signature]  
(Signature)

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(Signature)

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*Richard S. [Signature]*  
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4. What is your opinion of his character? top notch

John Smith

(Signature)

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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? AN OUTSTANDING MAN LOOKED UP TO BY HIS FELLOW MEN. HAVE KNOWN HIM FOR MANY YEARS AND HE CERTAINLY HAS MY VOTE OF APPROVAL.

Allen C. Steed  
(Signature)

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4. What is your opinion of his character? From what I know of him he should be alright.

Ernest A. Steeling  
(Signature)

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