

Dated November 5, 1955.
Received January 7, 1955.
Granted February 7, 1955.

MEMBERSHIP NO 10400



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECORD OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INSTITUTE

In due order
January 11, 1955
J.A. Germain

- A Name of applicant..... John Austin Welch Chapter Washington-Metro.
- B Address of applicant..... 1727 Varnum Street, Northwest, Washington 11, D. C.
- C Applicant proposed by... Louis Edwin Fry and Thomas H. Locraft
- D Application received with check for \$ 20.00 on..... January 7, 1955.
- E Application returned for correction..... 19 .
- F Application in due order on..... January 11, 1955.
- Record of registration, Form S39, Sent D. C. Jan. 7, 1955. Received. January 11, 1955.
- G Notices sent to chapter executive committee:
 - (a) Form S11, reasonable time ending on..... 19....., on 19 .
 - (b) Form S12, 30-day extension ending on..... 19....., on 19 .
- H Acknowledgments to applicant, ~~proprietors~~, and chapter on..... January 18, 1955.
- I Certified resolution of chapter executive committee recommending admission ~~or that application be denied~~ received on..... January 7, 1955.
- J No report from chapter executive committee on..... 19 .
- K Application sent to The Board of Examiners on..... February 1, 1955.
- L The Board of Examiners reported on application on..... February 1, 1955.
- M Applicant was admitted on..... February 7, 1955.
- N Notice and certificate to applicant and notice of assignment to chapter ~~and letter~~ ~~to architect~~ on..... February 7, 1955.
- O Notice of denial of application to chapter and applicant and \$..... 19 .

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION AND ASSIGNMENT

I, Secretary of The American Institute of Architects, hereby certify that, under authority vested in me by The Board of Directors, I have this day duly elected

John Austin Welch

to membership in The Institute, and hereby declare him to be a corporate member of The Institute and assign him to membership in the Washington-Metro. Chapter.

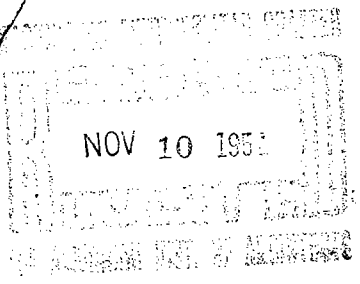
Date February 7, 19 55

Joseph Bain Cummings
Secretary
(a)

OK

APPLICATION NO 10200

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John



INSTRUCTIONS

Type in all information carefully and sign with ink. Mail the original and check for \$20.00 to The Secretary, The American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C. File the duplicate, on yellow paper, with the secretary of the local Chapter of The Institute.

The American Institute of Architects

APPLICATION FOR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

I, the undersigned, do hereby apply for corporate membership in The American Institute of Architects.

- 1. My full name is John Austin Welch
- 2. I am a natural citizen of the United States.
- 3. My legal residence is in the City of Washington, D. C.
County of - State of -
- 4. My address in The Institute records will be my residence
1727 Varnum Street, Northwest
Number Street
Washington 11 D. C.
City Zone State
- 5. I am engaged in the profession of architecture as a practicing architect
- 6. I desire to be a member of the Washington-Metropolitan Chapter.
- 7. I declare that I will comply with the By-laws; and the Standards of Professional Practice of The American Institute of Architects, which are attached hereto; and the Rules and Regulations supplementary thereto; and that I understand the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of a member of The Institute; and that I have read and understand all the information contained in this form and its attachments.
- 8. I have filed the duplicate of this application with the secretary of the Chapter above named. I am not indebted to The Institute or to any of its component organizations.
- 9. I enclose my check for \$20.00, for admission fee and the first year's annual dues, of which \$1.00 is for a year's subscription to the *Bulletin of The American Institute of Architects*. It is my understanding that if I am not admitted to membership \$10.00 will be returned to me, and \$10.00 retained by The Institute as an examination fee.

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State whether a natural or a naturalized citizen.

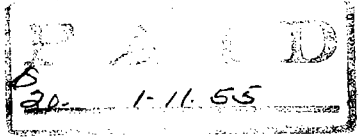
State whether residence or office address.

State whether as a practicing architect, a teacher, a public official, etc.

ink

Date November 5, 19 54

John Austin Welch
Applicant sign full name in ink



STATISTICS

10. Date of birth Oct. 29, 1906 Place of birth Tuskegee, Alabama

11.(a) I am registered or licensed to practice architecture in the following-named states:

District of Columbia
State of Alabama

(b) I passed the State Board Examination in the following-named states:

District of Columbia

(c) I hold Certificate No. 4228 of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, for having passed their Standard Examination.

EDUCATION

12.(a) I attended high schools, private schools, colleges, universities, as follows:

<i>Name of School, College, University</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>No. of Years</i>	<i>Year of Graduation</i>	<i>Degree</i>
Tuskegee Institute	Alabama	4	1923	Diploma
Dunbar High School	Washington, D.C.	2	1925	Diploma
Howard University	Washington, D.C.	5	1930	B .S. in Arch.
The Catholic University of America	Washington, D.C.	2	1952	M. of Arch.

(b) I have held the following-named scholarships or other honor awards, and have traveled in the following-named countries:

None

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING *

13. I list below, in chronological order, the periods of my training as draftsman, the names and addresses of my principal employers, and my classification as draftsman while employed by each:

	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Draftsman, Robinson & Williams Washington, D. C.	Oct. 1935	August 1940
Head, Dept. of Arch. & Mech. Draw- ing Tuskegee Institute, Ala.	Sept. 1940	February 1941
Military Service, World War II, U.S. Army	March 1941	October 1947

*(NOTE: Applications received after July 1, 1953, must conclusively show that applicant has had three full years of experience in architectural work, in offices, governmental employment, or teaching, subsequent to graduation from an architectural school; or eight full years of such experience without formal education; or equivalent combinations of both of the foregoing.)

Architectural Designer Louis Edwin Fry Washington, D. C.	2. Nov. 1947	December 1953
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PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

14. I list below, in chronological order, the periods during which and the states in which I have practiced architecture as an individual or as a member of a firm or corporation or as a public official or have taught architecture or the arts and sciences allied therewith. (State names of firms or corporations or public office and of schools or colleges).

Fry & Welch, Architects, Washington, D.C. From January 1954 To Present
and State of Alabama**

Howard Univ., Dept. of Arch., Asst. Prof. September 1954 Present

15. Is architecture your principal vocation? **Ala. -Apr. 1954 to Present

Yes

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

16. I list below other business in which I participate or own an interest, and the extent of such participation or interest.

None

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 17. Member of Institute from to
18. Junior of Institute from to
19. Associate of Washington-Metropolitan Chapter from Jan. 1953 to Present
20. Junior Associate of Chapter from to
21. Student Associate of Chapter from to
22. Member of State Organization in from to

ENDORSEMENT BY PROPOSERS

(The two proposers must be corporate members of The Institute in good standing.)

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have read the statements made hereinabove by the applicant and believe them to be correct. I vouch for his honorable standing in this community and in his profession, and I believe he is fully qualified for membership and I propose him therefor.

I have known the applicant for 24 years.

I have known the applicant for 5 years.

Signed Louis Edwin Fry, Proposer Architect
207 Florida Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Signed Thomas H. Locraft, Proposer Architect
Head, Dept. of Architecture
The Catholic University of America
Washington, D.C.

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Office of The Secretary

RECORD OF REGISTRATION
OF

John Austin Welch - Washington 11, D. C.
(Name of Applicant)

SECRETARY,
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS,
Washington 6, D. C.
Address

Dear Sir:

The above named applicant for membership in The American Institute of Architects is an architect practicing in your state.

To qualify for such membership, an applicant, must be registered or licensed by the state to practice architecture therein.

Will you please answer the following questions relating to the applicant's registration, to assist The Institute in determining his eligibility for membership? A duplicate of the form is enclosed for your files.

Date January 7, 19 55

George Bain Cummings
Secretary

1. Is the applicant registered or licensed to practice architecture in your state? Yes
2. Was his registration or licensing by examination? Yes or by exemption? _____
3. What was the scope of the examination? 4-day (36 hour) written Junior Examination
4. What was the period of the examination? 4 days. Written examination yes 36 hours; Oral examination _____ hours.
5. When examined, did applicant have a certificate from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards? No. If so, give Certificate No. _____
6. Date of first registration 9/25/53 19 ____ Registration No. 887 Is it current? yes

J. H. Loar
(Signature of Secretary of Board)

Date 1/10/55 19 ____
Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects
D. C. Department of Occupations & Professions
(Name of Board)

SECTION 1. DIGEST OF ACHIEVEMENTS

Part A. DIGEST OF ACHIEVEMENTS

John A. Welch East Alabama October 29, 1906
name of nominee chapter date of birth

1107 Bibb Street, Tuskegee, Alabama 36088

full address & zip code

Nominated by Chapter for Achievements in Education 1985
nomination year

Sponsor: Major L. Holland
name and full address

111 South Main Street, Tuskegee, Alabama 36083

NARRATIVE OF ACHIEVEMENTS

John A. Welch has been a consummate and well-rounded professional who has utilized his talents and training not only in the practice of architecture, but in the training of others and in assisting institutions and citizens within this immediate community.

Dean John Welch was an educator for the majority of his professional career. He was a professor of architecture at Howard University and Tuskegee Institute. While he was Dean at Tuskegee, the architectural program was elevated to a professional program and received its first accreditation. In recognition of his effective service as Dean of Mechanical Industries, and later Applied Sciences, Tuskegee Institute conferred the title of Dean Emeritus to Mr. Welch in 1980.

He has been active in the American Institute of Architects for more than twenty five years. He is a charter member of the East Alabama Chapter and has served as vice president and director for the chapter.

He was one of the first Black Architects to become registered in Alabama and active in the AIA. He is also registered in the District of Columbia and certified by N.C.A.R.B.

His professional career has been long and broad, which is a testimony to his driving energy, professional capabilities, and willingness to lend his training and background to assist others.

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SECTION 1. DIGEST OF ACHIEVEMENTS

Part B. REFERENCES

Name of Nominee John A. Welch

	Name	Full Address & Zip Code	Area Code & Phone Number
1.	<u>Richard K. Dozier</u>	308 Gregory Place Tuskegee, Ala. 36088	(205)727-8329
2.	<u>Louis E. Fry, Jr.</u>	7600 Georgia Ave. Suite 401 Washington, D. C. 20012	(202)829-0700
3.	<u>E. Keith McPheeters</u>	Dean School of Art & Architecture Auburn, Ala. 36849	(205)826-4524
4.	<u>Dr. Luther H. Foster</u>	309 Yoakum Parkway - Apt. 1507 Alexandria, VA 22304	(703)823-1086
5.	<u>Charles W. Raine</u>	Department of Architecture Tuskegee, Ala. 36088	(205)727-8329
6.	<u>Henderson L. Walker</u>	7600 Georgia Ave. N. W. Suite 406 Washington, D. C.	(202)291-1612
7.	<u>John S. Chase</u>	1201 Southmore Street Houston, Texas 77004	(713)524-8413

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SECTION 2. NOMINATION

1. John A. Welch, of the East Alabama Chapter and member of the AIA since 1954, is nominated for Fellowship for notable contribution to the advancement of the profession of architecture in Education
(name of nominee) (chapter assignment) (election date)
(category -ies; see Principles Underlying Advancement to Fellowship for a complete listing)

The nomination is made by:
(check and sign either A or B)

A. Vote of governing board of the East Alabama Chapter
(name of component organization)
Major L. Holland Secretary September 30, 1985
(signature and title of chapter president or secretary) (date)

B. Individual corporate members and/or Fellows as follows:

Written Signature and Date

Typed Signature and Chapter

Blank lines for entries under section B.

2. The nominators designate the following member to be the sponsor of the nomination:

Name Major L. Holland
Address 111 South Main Street, Tuskegee, AL 36083 Phone Number (205)727-4079

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SECTION 3. PROFILE

(Additional sheets may be inserted, but please be concise.)

TYPEWRITING ONLY

1. Nominee's name: John A. Welch
2. Nominee's mailing address: P. O. Box 846
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36088
3. Nominee's firm name and address: Retired

Phone: _____
4. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture in the states or territories of: Alabama,
District of Columbia
5. Nominee is engaged in the profession of architecture as: Retired architect/educator
6. Nominee's date of birth: October 29, 1906
7. Place of birth: Tuskegee, Alabama

8. Nominee's education:

A. High school, college or university, postgraduate school, etc. (in chronological order):

<i>Location</i>	<i>No. of Years</i>	<i>Year of Graduation</i>	<i>Degree</i>
Tuskegee Normal Institute		1923	Diploma
Dunbar High School	4	1925	
Howard University	5	1930	B. S. Arch.
Catholic University	1	1952	M. Arch.

B. Scholarships received by nominee:

None

9. Other data concerning nominee's record:

(See attached sheets)

June 21, 1985

Biographical Data

John Austin Welch was born in Tuskegee, Alabama, and received his early education at the Washington Public School and the Vocational Department of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute where he specialized in Plumbing and received a diploma in 1923. His high school work was completed at Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C., in 1925. He pursued his college studies at Howard University, Washington, D.C., and was awarded the Bachelor of Science Degree in Architecture in 1930, and commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Officers' Reserve Corps, Army of the United States. He received the Master of Architecture Degree at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., in 1952.

His experiences have been varied. Following graduation from Howard University, he worked in the Department of Buildings and Grounds of the University, and later, as a draftsman for the architectural firm of Robinson and Williams in Washington, D.C. From August 1940, to March 1941, he served as Head of the Department of Architecture and Mechanical Drawing at Tuskegee Institute. This service was interrupted by a tour of active duty in the Armed Forces.

From March 1941 to October 1947, he was on extended active duty with the United States Army with a portion of this time---August 1941, to July 1946---being served as Professor of Military Science and Tactics of Tuskegee Institute's new Senior Infantry ROTC Unit. During the last two years of this assignment, he also served as Commandant (Dean of Men) of Tuskegee Institute. His tour of duty in the Armed Forces included service in the Pacific Theater of Operations. He was separated from the service in October 1947, in the grade of Lieutenant Colonel, Officers' Reserve Corps, Army of the United States, and is now in a retired status.

From 1947 to 1953, he served as a designer and associate in the office of Louis Edwin Fry, Architect, Washington, D.C., and on January 1, 1954, he became a partner in the firm of Fry & Welch, Architects. As a principal in this firm, he had a major role in the design and construction of many college and public buildings. Some of the major projects are as follows:

- Seven dormitories for men and women at Tuskegee Institute.
- The Tuskegee Chapel; Paul Rudolph, Associate Architect.
- Major addition and alteration to John A. Andrew Medical Center, Tuskegee Institute; joint venture with William H. Metcalf, Jr., Architect, Washington, D.C.
- Montana Terrace Housing Project, Washington, D.C.
- Takoma Elementary School, Washington, D.C.
- United House of Prayer, Washington, D.C.
- Consultant to Tuskegee Institute during the construction phase of a major addition and alterations to the School of Veterinary Medicine.

His work in education also included an Assistant Professorship in the Department of Architecture at Howard University from September 1, 1954, to June 30, 1957. From September 1957, to November 30, 1972 (effective date of retirement) he served Tuskegee Institute again in the following capacities: Professor in Architecture and Dean, School of Mechanical Industries, September 1957 to May 1968; Chairman, Administrative Committee, School of Applied Sciences, September 1968 to August 31, 1969, and Dean, School of Applied Sciences, September 1, 1969, to November 30, 1972. The Department of Architecture was a major area of study in the School of Mechanical Industries, and subsequently, the School of Applied Sciences. While he was serving in these capacities, the architectural program was elevated to the professional level and received its first accreditation. In recognition of his leadership and effective service, Tuskegee Institute conferred upon him the title: Dean Emeritus, in 1980.

He has received the following awards:

- June, 1961 - The Outstanding Alumnus Award from the School of Engineering and Architecture, Howard University.
- March, 1965 - Honored by the Tuskegee Institute Chapter, National Scabbard and Blade Society for services during the early stages of development of the Senior Infantry ROTC Unit at Tuskegee Institute.
- October, 1968 - The Tuskegee Southeastern Alumni Association Meritorious Award for Distinguished Services to Alma Mater, Alumni and Community.
- October, 1974 - The Howard University Alumni Federation Meritorious Award for Conspicuous Service to Architecture and Education.
- May, 1976 - The Tuskegee Institute Alumni Merit Award for Distinguished Service in Advancing Human Welfare.
- August, 1976 - Tuskegee National Alumni Merit Award for Leadership in Alumni Affairs, Service to Alma Mater and Community.
- October, 1977 - Tuskegee Institute Alumni Association Award for Untiring and Devoted Service to the Architectural Profession and Tuskegee Institute's Department of Architecture; its Students and Alumni.
- October, 1982 - 1857 - 1982 (The first 125 years) Citation on the Occasion of the 125th Anniversary of The American Institute of Architects and in recognition of inspired and outstanding service to the Profession of Architecture and the Institute.

He is a registered architect in the State of Alabama and the District of Columbia and holds registration with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. He has been a member of the American Institute of Architects for more

June 21/85

than 30 years, and is a Charter Member of the East Alabama Chapter (formerly Auburn Chapter) and has served as Vice-President and Director. He is one of the first Negro Architects to be admitted to a Southern Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and he is currently an emeritus member. He is a life member of Tau Beta Pi, National Engineering Honor Society, and member of Kappa Delta Pi, an International Honor Society in Education.

He is a member of the Tuskegee Institute Alumni Architectural Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars (Life Member), Tuskegee Civic Association (Life Member), and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. (Life Member). He is Chairman of Presidential Associates of Tuskegee Institute, and former Co-Chairman of the Howard University Bequests Committee.

He is active in community, civic and Church affairs. He has been a member of and served as Secretary of the Tuskegee City Planning Commission since 1965. He is a member of the executive board of the Tuckabatchee Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

SECTION 4. EDUCATION

(Additional sheets may be inserted, but please be concise.)

1. List the educational positions held by the nominee and period each was held:

<i>Position</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Head, Dept. of Architecture, Tuskegee Institute	1940	1941
Professor of Military Science, Tuskegee Institute	1941	1946
Dean of Men, Tuskegee Institute	1944	1946
Assistant Professor, Howard University	1954	1957
Professor of Architecture, Tuskegee Institute	1957	1968
Dean, School of Applied Sciences (Including Architecture)	1969	1972

2. Describe the nominee's achievements in education that are considered notable contributions to the advancement of the profession:

- Guidance of the Tuskegee Institute department of architecture to a level of accreditation by the National Architectural Accreditation Board.
- Substantial contribution to the Howard University architectural program.

3. List the significant awards, honors and recognition accorded by the Institute and other professional, governmental or civic organizations for the nominee's work in education:

- June, 1961 - The Outstanding Alumnus Award from the School of Engineering and Architecture, Howard University.
- October, 1974 - The Howard University Alumni Federation Meritorious Award for Conspicuous Service to Architecture and Education.
- October, 1977 - Tuskegee Institute Architectural Alumni Association Award for Untiring and Devoted Service to the Architectural Profession and Tuskegee Institute's Department of Architecture; its Students and Alumni.

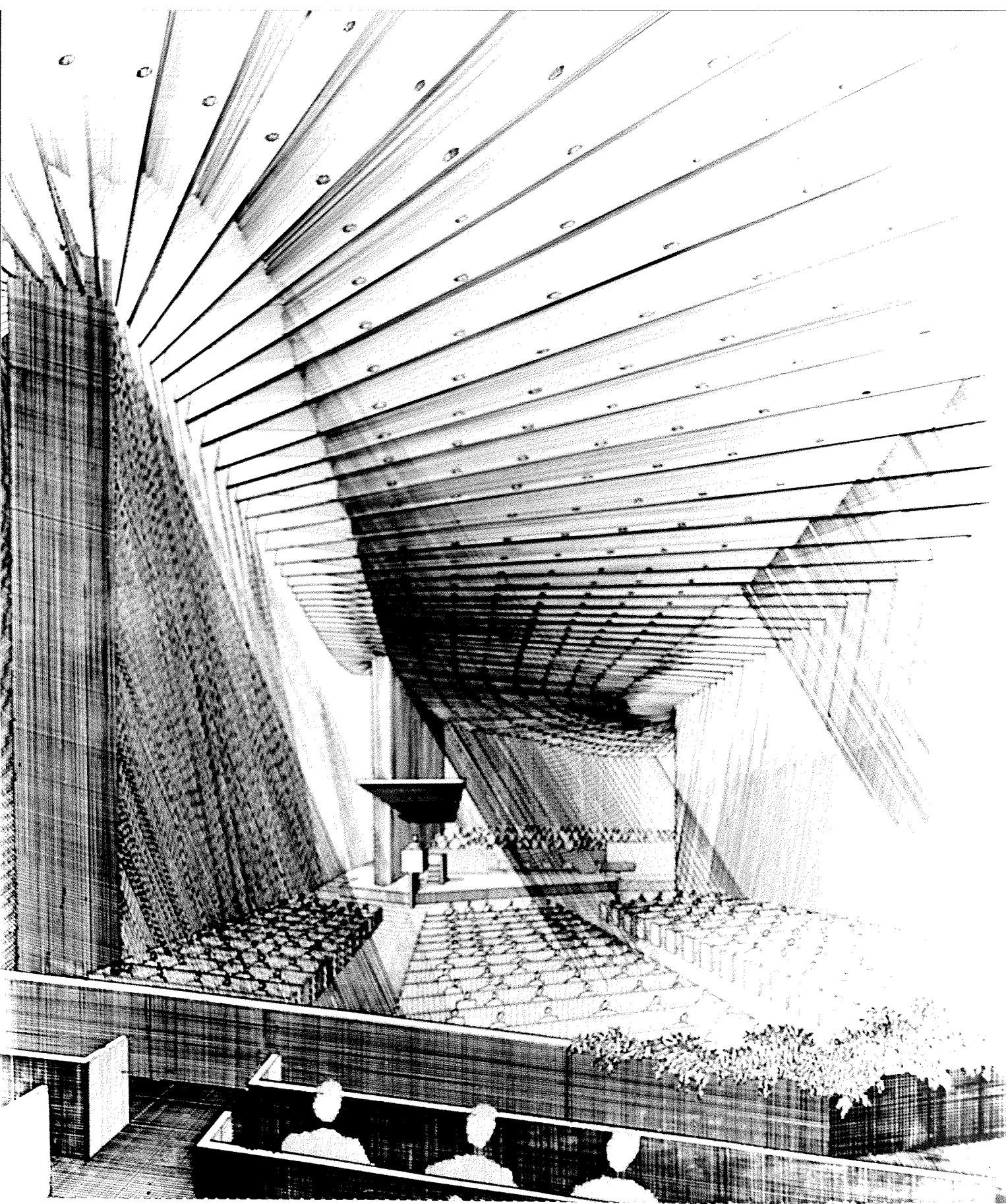
4. List the books or articles written by the nominee in connection with education:

<i>Title of Book or Article</i>	<i>Publication Date</i>	<i>Publisher</i>
A Master Development Plan for a College of the Arts and Sciences	1954	Unpublished

SECTION 4. EDUCATION - CONTINUED

3.

October, 1982 - 1857 - 1982 (The first 125 years) Citation on the Occasion of the 125th Anniversary of The American Institute of Architects and in recognition of inspired and outstanding service to the Profession of Architecture and the Institute.



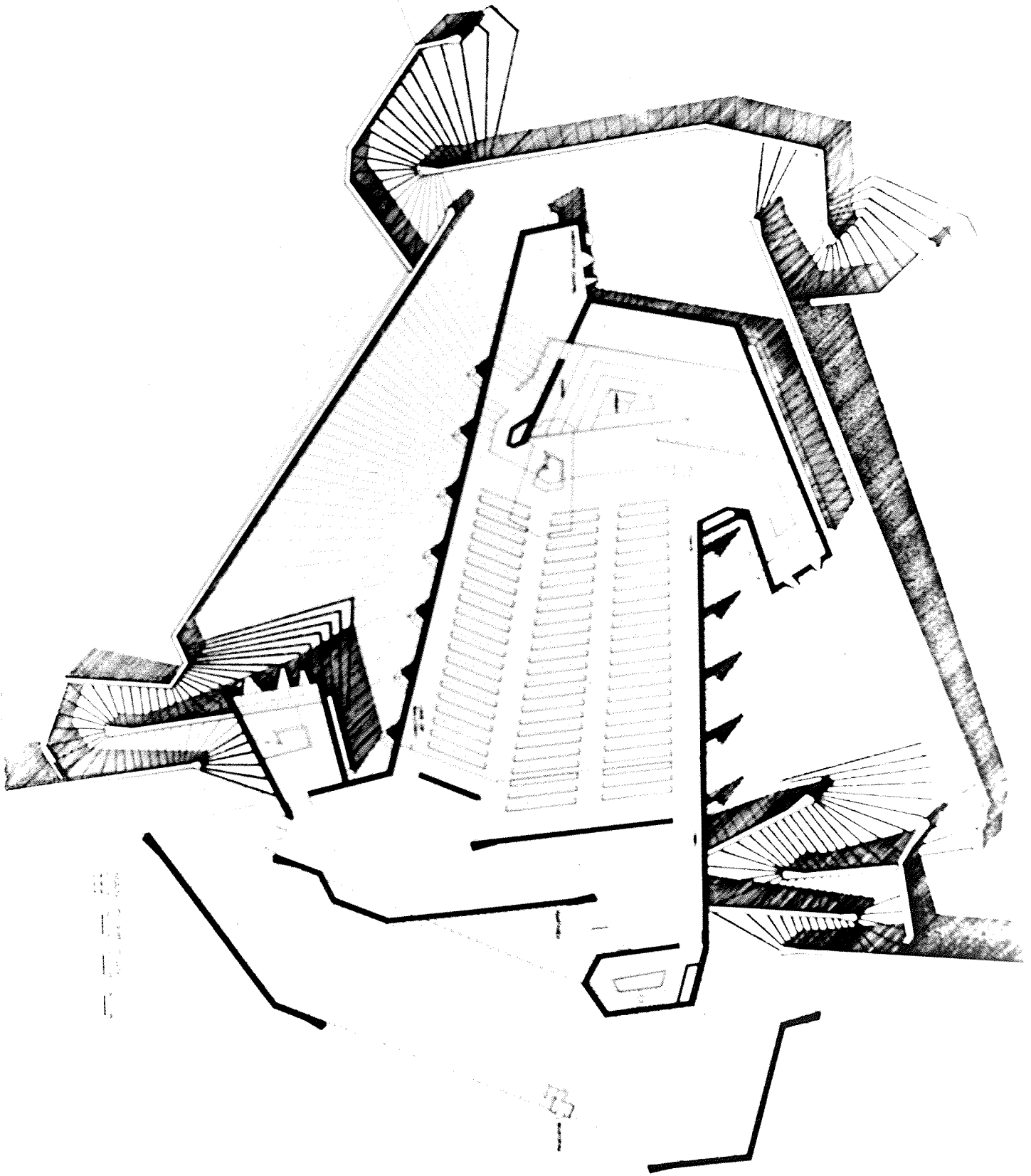
ARCHITECT OF RECORD
DESIGNER
PROJECT
DATE
AUTHORSHIP:

Fry & Welch Architects
Tuskegee Institute Chapel
1960
Paul Rudolph, Associate Architect

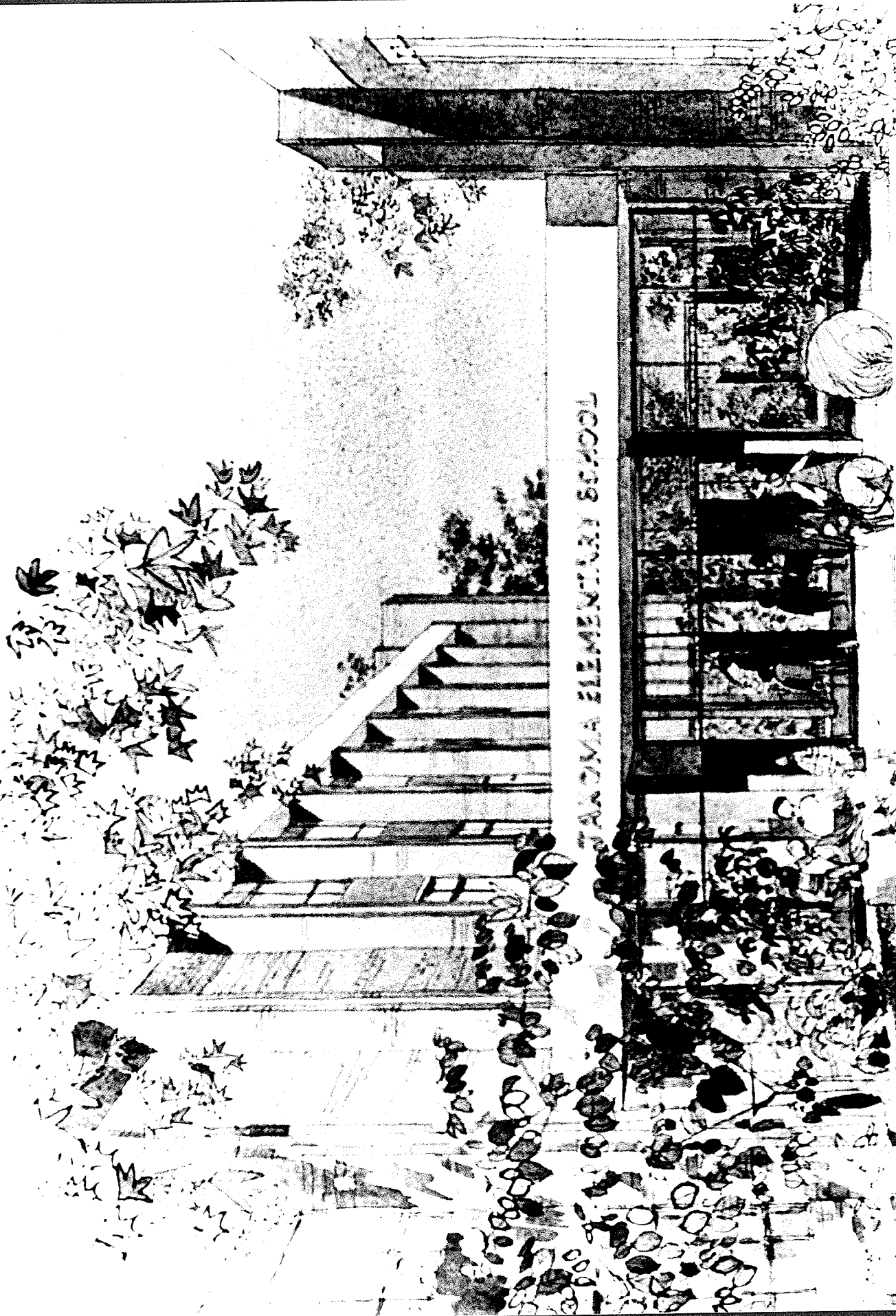
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AUTHORSHIP:

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Tuskegee Institute Chapel
1960
Paul Rudolph, Associate Architect

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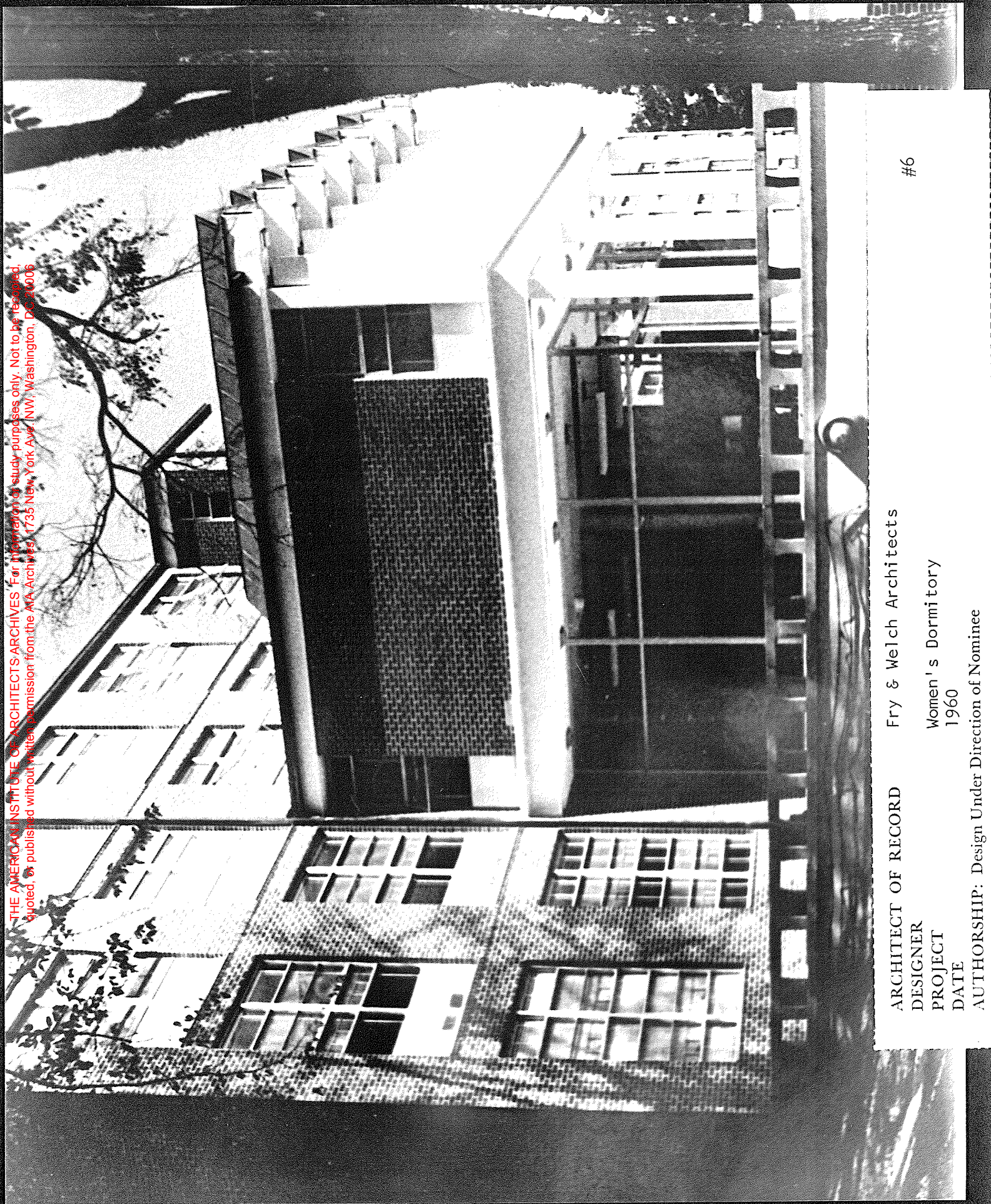


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DESIGNER
PROJECT
DATE
AUTHORSHIP: Design Under Direction of Nominee

Fry & Welch Architects
Takoma Elementary School
1967

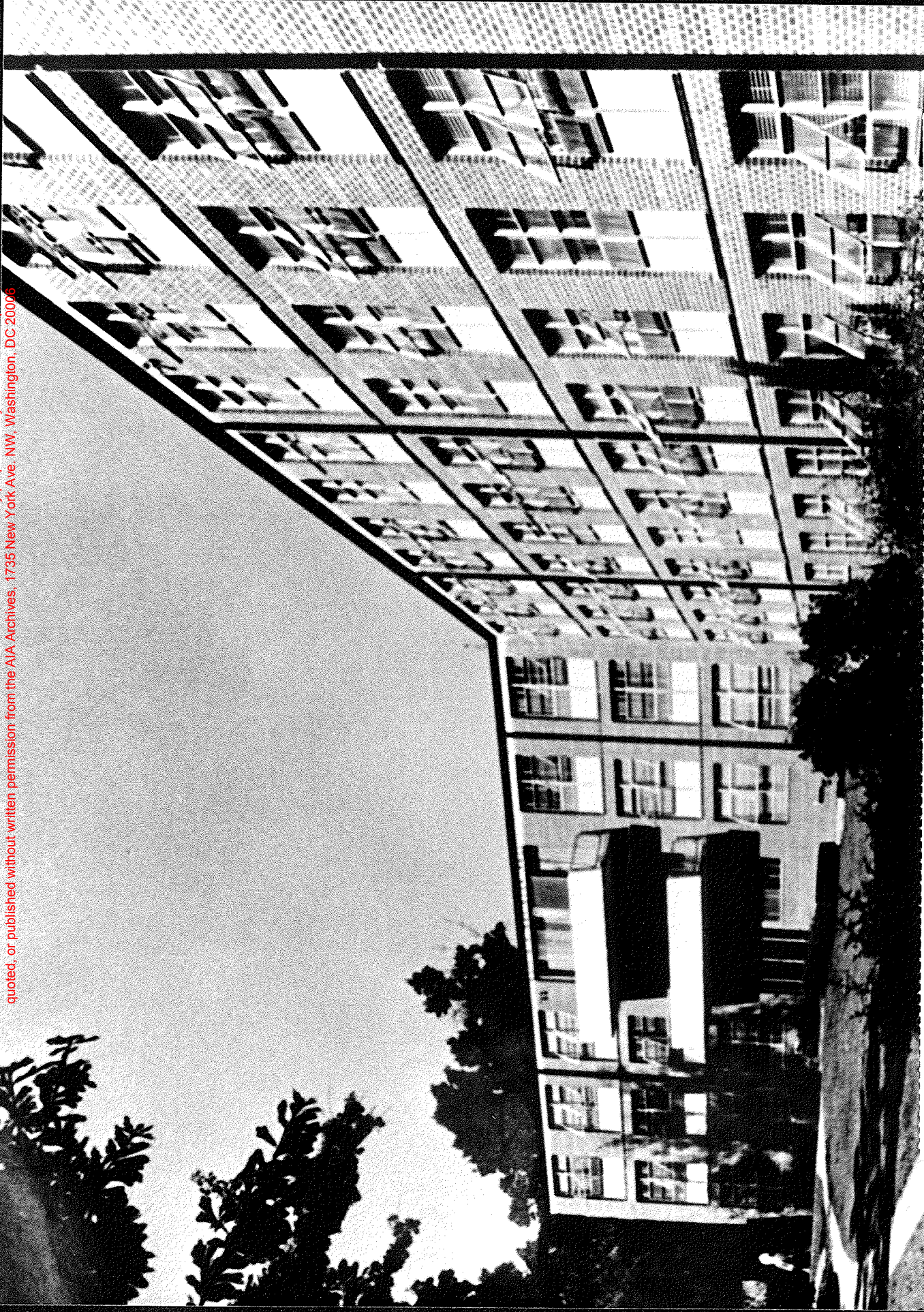


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ARCHITECT OF RECORD Fry & Welch Architects
DESIGNER
PROJECT Women's Dormitory
DATE 1960
AUTHORSHIP: Design Under Direction of Nominee

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ARCHITECT OF RECORD Fry & Welch Architects
DESIGNER
PROJECT Women's Dormitory
DATE 1964
AUTHORSHIP: Design Under Direction of Nominee

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AUBURN CHAPTER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

James H. Johnston, Secretary
P. O. Box 2859, Opelika, AL 36801

March 19, 1980

Maureen Marx
Membership Procedures
The American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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Dear Ms. Marx:

Mr. J. A. Welch has asked to be placed on Emeritus status for which he is qualified by virtue of years of membership and age.

Please send me the application form H601 so that I can begin the process for his change of status.

Very truly yours,


James H. Johnston

JHJ/dg

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ME form
3/25/80

Quess

MAR 24 1980



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20006

Application for Membership Emeritus

TO THE SECRETARY,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

I hereby apply for Membership Emeritus in the Institute for the following reason:

(Check the appropriate reason)

- I am more than 70 years of age.
- I am more than 60 years of age and retired from the profession of architecture.
- I am unable to engage in the profession of architecture because _____

(state nature of incapacitation)

I have been in good standing in the Institute and the _____ Auburn Chapter
for 15 successive years. (**Charter member of the Auburn Chapter**)

If and when elected to Membership Emeritus, I wish to continue to receive AIA mailings
Yes No Check for \$108.00 mailed to the Institute March 31, 1980.

Date April 15, 1980

Name John A. Welch
(written and printed signature)

Address Post Office Box 846

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36088

APR 21 1980

Information for applicant: The applicant may supplement the above reasons on a blank sheet. In exceptional circumstances and for adequate cause, the Secretary of the Institute may lessen the period of good standing but not the other conditions.

Upon election to Membership Emeritus, all rights and privileges of membership, including the use of the title Member Emeritus written in full after the initials "AIA" or "FAIA", as the case may be, remain intact while the member is exempted from further dues payments to the Institute and the member's Chapter and State.

Members Emeriti have the option to remain on the AIA mailing list for \$15 per year to help defray mailing costs. Members Emeriti who do not wish to receive AIA mailings and publications need not pay this mailing charge.



THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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April 25, 1980

Mr. John A. Welch, AIA, Member Emeritus
Post Office Box 846
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36088

Dear Mr. Welch:

It is a pleasure to inform you that your membership classification has been changed to Member Emeritus.

We are grateful for your many years of support and we hope that your participation and interest will continue, even though you are now relieved of further dues payments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Robert M. Lawrence, FAIA
Secretary

cc: Auburn Chapter, AIA
Alabama Council, AIA