

Welch, Kenneth C.
Grand Rapids

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Application for Membership

January 10, 1924

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 Kenneth C. Welch

Address 1545 Madison Ave Grand Rapids Michigan
(Number and Street.) (City.) (State.)

Place and date of birth Sparta Michigan July 12 1891

Graduate in architecture B.S. in Arch. and M.S. in Arch. U. of Pennsylvania
(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 Kenneth C. Welch

Have been in practice Eight years

If draughtsman, employed by _____
(State number of years.)

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.

Kenneth C. Welch
(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) Ed Cross
- (2) Frank Robinson
- (3) W. J. ...

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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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 17, 1924.

My dear Mr. Welch:-

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective on March 17, 1924.

You have been assigned to the Grand Rapids Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so advised.

Enclosed herewith is statement covering dues for three quarters of the current year.

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. Kenneth C. Welch,
1546 Madison Avenue,
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Encl.



McGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL

c/o School of Architecture

November 25, 1950.

The American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I would greatly appreciate it if you could provide me with the address of Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, who, I understand is a member of the A.I.A. living near Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Thanking you for your kind attention, I am

Respectfully yours,

Jeffrey E. Aronin
Jeffrey E. Aronin.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 1, 1950

Dear Mr. Aronin:

As requested in your letter of November 25, Mr.

Kenneth G. Welch's address is -

1340 Monroe, N. W.
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

Yours very truly,



J. W. Rankin
Administrative Secretary

Mr. Jeffrey E. Aronin
c/o School of Architecture
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

JWR:dhn

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February 13, 1950

Dear Ken:

I was sorry I missed you the other day. I was tied up in a meeting over at the G.S.A. which lasted all day long. A message from you came in asking me to call you between 2:30 and 4:30 P.M. I left the G.S.A. meeting early and called Jim's office at 4:15 to learn that you had left for Grand Rapids.

Let me know what you wanted and I shall take care of it.

With my best to you,

Sincerely yours,

Executive Director

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.
1340 Monroe, N.W.
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

ERP:MSD
cc: Mr. Edmunds

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KENNETH C. WELCH... ARCHITECT
MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1340 MONROE N.W.
GRAND RAPIDS
MICHIGAN

February 17
1950

Mr. Edmund R. Purves, Executive Director
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

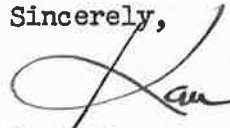
Dear Ned:

Thank you for your letter.

I principally wanted to say "Hello", but also wanted to get some dope on city planning. However, I think Jim gave it to me.

I had some interesting discussions with Walter, and expect to be in Washington again next week some time and will try again to say "Hello."

Sincerely,



Kenneth C. Welch

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HOME OFFICE AND FACTORIES GRAND RAPIDS 2, MICHIGAN

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Sept. 24, 1951

Mr. Edmund R. Purves, Executive Director
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Ave. N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Ned:

I am wondering if I can get you to help me on a problem I have in relation to getting some information and data from the Census Bureau. I think if you could get Susie to contact them directly, or maybe you can do it on the phone, I would like to bear any expense incidental thereto.

I am particularly interested to find out when some of the detailed housing statistics will be published. I mean by that, Housing Characteristics PC-10 and HC-3.

I am interested in this for the cities by Census Tracts, and also the counties and civil divisions which I think is published in the state data. I would like, particularly: Kansas City Metropolitan area (including Kansas City, Mo. and Kansas City, Kansas); Phoenix, Arizona and the state of Arizona; and the Portland, Oregon area.

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I have got a considerable amount of work in these three areas. If these studies are going to be published within the next two or three months it will save me a great deal of detail work in the meantime.

I had hoped to be in Washington long before this. In fact, I had hoped to come down and attend the I.E.S. Annual Meeting, but it was just not possible.

Kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth C. Welch
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Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.

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October 1, 1951

Dear Mr. Welch:

Your letter of September 24, with reference to obtaining information and data for you from the Census Bureau, has been received in Mr. Purves' absence. He is presently attending the meeting of The Board of Directors in Portland, Oregon.

The Housing and Population Characteristics for the areas you desired have been requested from the Census Bureau, and we will forward them to you as soon as they are received. However, the statistics for the Kansas City Metropolitan area have not yet been published, and it will be a few weeks before they are released. At that time we will send you a copy of these.

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Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Mabel S. Day
Secretary to Mr. Purves

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.
Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co.
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

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GRAND RAPIDS 2, MICHIGAN

October 16, 1951

Mrs. Mabel S. Day
Secretary to Mr. Purves
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, 1741 New York NW
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Day:

I am sorry I have delayed so in acknowledging your letter of October 1 with the helpful information. I have been out of the city almost constantly since that time or I would have thanked you sooner.

I received a number of preliminary reports of areas around the country but I am still especially interested in getting some rough idea of when they are going to publish final housing data, IE Population and Housing, Statistics for census tracts for cities and Housing, Second Series, General Characteristics for states, metropolitan districts, counties, etc. The reason for this is, if they are going to come out within the next two or three or even four months, I will delay some data which I am gathering until that time. I think you might inquire over the telephone and drop me a line, which I would appreciate very much.

Give Mr. Purves my very best regards.

Very truly yours,
Kenneth C. Welch
Kenneth C. Welch, A. I. A.

KCW/dh

P. S. You might tell Mr. Purves that I have been asked to address the annual meeting of the Inter-Society Color Council in New York Feb. 7-9 which I have accepted.

*Census Bureau (Mr. Hanson)
Lu - 4-3002*

*Mr. Bruneman
Dr. Shriach
Mrs. Hunt est 202
Ray V Reel
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November 2, 1951

Dear Mr. Welch:

I am indeed sorry it has taken so long to reply to your nice letter of October 16th, but I have been trying to track down the requested information.

The Census Bureau informs me that final housing data, IE Population and Housing, Statistics for census tracts for cities and Housing, Second Series, General Characteristics for states, metropolitan districts, counties, etc., will not be available until sometime after the first of the year.

I talked with a Mrs. Hunt at the Census Bureau who suggests that you write direct to Roy V. Peel, Director of Census, Washington 25, D. C., who will see to it that the information you desire is furnished as soon as it is available.

Sorry I cannot send you more helpful data.

Mr. Purves was very glad to learn that you are to address the annual meeting of the Inter-Society Color Council in New York next February and extends his good wishes,

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Mabel S. Day
Secretary to Mr. Purves

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.
Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co.
Drug Store Division
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

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GRAND RAPIDS 2, MICHIGAN

November 5, 1951

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Mrs. Mabel S. Day
Secretary to Mr. Purves
The American Institute of Architects
The Octagon, 1741 New York Ave. NW
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Day:

Thank you for your letter of November 2. It contains exactly the information I wanted.

Very truly yours,

Vice President

Kenneth C. Welch A. I. A.

KCW/dh

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September 5, 1952

Dear Mr. Welsch:

The pamphlets were sent to you by first-class mail today. Florida and Nebraska are out of print and as soon they are printed I will send them to you. Please let us know if we can be of further service.

Sincerely,

Madeline L. Hyndman
Secretary to Mr. Guthelm

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.
1340 Monroe Street, N. W.
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

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members
Welch, Kenneth C.

January 16, 1953

To: Mrs. Miller
Miss Gervais - M. Jones
M. Hyndman - E. Call
E. Lowery
B. Lusby
H. Day
S. Comfort
H. Lorenz
D. Pennington
A. Teale

From: Mabel S. Day

Please note that all correspondence should be addressed to Mr.
Kenneth C. Welch at his new address:

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.
924 Grandville, S. W.
Grand Rapids, Michigan

MED:mv

cc: Mr. Kenneth C. Welch

THE OFFICE OF JAMES R. EDMUNDS, JR., ARCHITECTS

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31 October 1950.

Jury of Fellows,
The American Institute of Architects,
1741 New York Avenue,
Washington - 6, D. C. Att'n: Secretary.

Gentlemen:

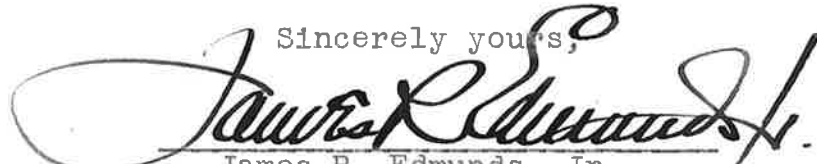
Raymond J. Ashton, Salt Lake City; Douglas William Orr, Connecticut; Charles F. Cellarius, Cincinnati and D. K. Este Fisher, Baltimore, together with the writer, all Fellows of the Institute, are nominating Kenneth C. Welch, Western Michigan Chapter for advancement to Fellowship. The nomination form, properly completed, will be in the mail November 1st.

This is to ask that, if consistent with procedure of the Jury, this notification be considered sufficient to meet the dead line which we understand is November first.

The exhibits of the candidate have been shipped to you by railway express.

I am

Sincerely yours,


James R. Edmunds, Jr.

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THE AMERICAN
INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 6, 1950

Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

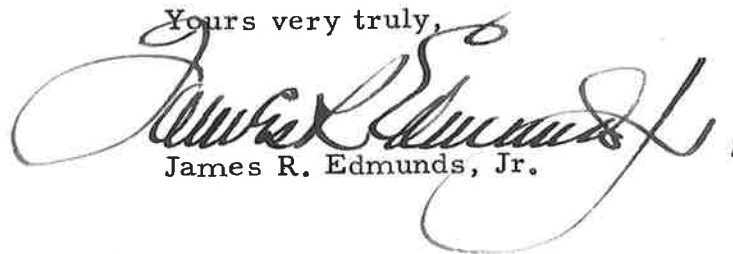
Enclosed herewith you will find nomination of Kenneth C. Welch of the Western Michigan Chapter for advancement to Fellowship.

The delay in having this in your hands stems from the fact that the signers are so widely separated geographically.

Enclosed you will also find letter in behalf of the candidate from H. Bartol Register, F.A.I.A., Philadelphia Chapter.

I am,

Yours very truly,



James R. Edmunds, Jr.

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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November 9, 1950

Dear Mr. Edmunds:

Your letter of October 31st was received on November 1 - concerning the preparation and filing of the nomination to advance Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A., to fellowship in The Institute.

We also now have your letter of November 6th, forwarding the nomination; and, under separate cover, exhibits of Mr. Welch's executed work in support of his nomination.

Your letter of October 31st requesting that Mr. Welch's nomination be accepted for consideration by the Jury at its next meeting is being referred to Mr. H. Daland Chandler, Chairman of the Jury, as the staff at The Institute has no authority to accept for the immediately following meeting any nominations which are filed after the deadline of November 1st.

A further response to you on this point will be sent to you either by Mr. Chandler or through this office.

In addition, may I call to your attention that the requirement for the submission of a nomination over the signature of five Fellows of The Institute applies only when the Fellows signing as proposers are assigned members of the same Chapter as the nominee? Mr. Welch is a member of the Western Michigan Chapter, whereas the Fellows who have signed the nomination are members of various A.I.A. Chapters. Therefore, five additional signatures are required on this nomination - either corporate members or Fellows.

The nomination is being returned to you, herewith, in order that additional signatures may be affixed.

With best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.
130 West Hamilton Street
Baltimore 1, Maryland

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Copy to Mr. Chandler

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

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COPY
Welch

November 9, 1950

Dear Mr. Chandler:

Herewith is copy of letter of October 31st from Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A., and my reply to him of this date - with regard to the filing of the nomination to advance Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A., to fellowship in The Institute.

I shall appreciate receiving your instructions as to whether or not Mr. Welch's nomination may be accepted for consideration by The Jury of Fellows at its 1951 meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. H. Daland Chandler, Chairman
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
9 Arlington Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

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November 13, 1950

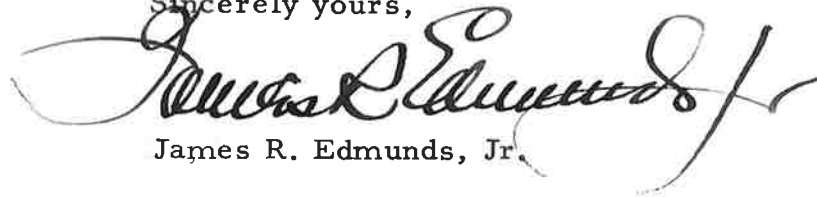
Dear Miss Gervais:

There is returned to you herewith, nomination of Mr. Welch with the additional five signatures required.

I am sorry to have put you to all this trouble and this is to thank you.

I am, with best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James R. Edmunds, Jr.", written in dark ink.

James R. Edmunds, Jr.

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Enclosure

Miss Florence H. Gervais
Secretary to The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
Washington 6, D.C.

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, 1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W., WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

November 13, 1950

Miss Florence H. Gervais,
Secretary to The Jury of Fellows
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

My dear Miss Gervais:

In regard to the nomination from Mr. Welch's Michigan Chapter for advancement to Fellowship arriving at the Octagon after the first of November, I cannot believe that we should let the bars down for this late arrival.

All the nominators: Ashton, Orr, Cellarius, Fisher have known that the matter could have been attended to during the summer and have let it slide until the last minute.

Again I feel that it is not fair to those who have conformed to the regulations to open the gates to the tardy application. I instruct you to accept Mr. Welch's nomination, but inform him that it will not be considered until 1952.

Sincerely yours,



H. DALAND CHANDLER,
Chairman of
The Jury of Fellows

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

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November 15, 1950

Dear Mr. Edmunds:

Yours of November 13th is at hand, with the completed nomination of Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A., for fellowship, on which you have secured five additional signatures.

As I wrote to you on November 9th, the question of accepting Mr. Welch's nomination for consideration in 1951 was referred to the Chairman of The Jury of Fellows for his ruling.

I am just in receipt of the Chairman's instructions to advise you that the nomination must be held over for the 1952 meeting, in view of the late date of its receipt. The Chairman feels that it would not be fair to those who have conformed to the regulations in filing nominations to accept those which arrive after the deadline.

Accordingly, the nomination and exhibits will be held for submission to the Jury at its meeting in 1952.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.
130 West Hamilton Street
Baltimore 1, Maryland

Copy to the Chairman,
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.

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

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Handwritten signature

November 9, 1950

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Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. H. Deland Chandler, Chairman
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
9 Arlington Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

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Response

November 9, 1950

Dear Mr. Edmunds:

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We also now have your letter of November 6th, forwarding the nomination; and, under separate cover, exhibits of Mr. Welch's executed work in support of his nomination.

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A further response to you on this point will be sent to you either by Mr. Chandler or through this office.

In addition, may I call to your attention that the requirement for the submission of a nomination over the signature of five Fellows of The Institute applies only when the Fellows signing as proposers are assigned members of the same Chapter as the nominee? Mr. Welch is a member of the Western Michigan Chapter, whereas the Fellows who have signed the nomination are members of various A.I.A. Chapters. Therefore, five additional signatures are required on this nomination - either corporate members or Fellows.

The nomination is being returned to you, herewith, in order that additional signatures may be affixed.

With best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.
130 West Hamilton Street
Baltimore 1, Maryland

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Copy to Mr. Chandler

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

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November 15, 1950

Dear Mr. Chandler:

Thank you for your letters of November 13th and your instructions to hold over for the 1952 Jury meeting the nominations of Messrs. Kenneth C. Welch and Maynard Lyndon which arrived after the deadline for filing.

I have written to Mr. Rex and Mr. Edmunds accordingly, and copies of the letters are attached.

Responding to your inquiry, there are 93 nominations which will have to be submitted to your next meeting. Looks as though you will have as much work to do next year, as you did in 1950.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. H. Daland Chandler, Chairman
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
9 Arlington Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, 1741 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W., WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

H. DALAND CHANDLER
9 ARLINGTON STREET
BOSTON, MASS

December 22, 1950

Miss Florence H. Gervais
The Octagon
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, 6, D. C.

My dear Miss Gervais:

Just to plague you a bit more can you inform me exactly when all the supporting data for the application of Mr. Kenneth C. Welch arrived in the Octagon: letters, exhibits, or other material pertinent to the application. It has been customary, as I recall, to allow such data to be accepted at the Octagon after November first. I can find no particular ruling on this point. Can you help me? And to check again, I understand that the application itself (S38) did not arrive in proper form until November 13.

In order to expedite our progress in the meeting of the Jury I believe you check ahead of time the good standing of nominees and nominators.

Sincerely yours,



HDC/ff

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Walch

December 27, 1950

Dear Mr. Chandler:

Responding to yours of December 22nd, with regard to the nomination of Mr. Kenneth C. Welch for fellowship:

Under date of October 31, 1950, Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., sent in the attached letter concerning the filing of this nomination. You will note he stated it would be in the mail on November 1st.

Mr. Edmunds talked to Mr. Purves on the telephone on October 31st advising that he had heard "via the grapevine" that nominations had to be filed on November 1st, and wanted this confirmed. Mr. Purves advised him that such was the case, after which Mr. Edmunds wrote the letter above referred to.

H However, the nomination actually did not reach The Institute until November 7th, and it was forwarded by Mr. Edmunds with his letter of November 6th. The exhibits in support of the nomination arrived November 2nd.

It was after that late receipt that I wrote to you with regard to the acceptance of the nomination for consideration in 1951, and your advice was that it would have to go over until 1952. Mr. Edmunds was so advised.

It has not been the custom to accept late nominations, unless the Chairman of the Jury has ruled that they may be received and submitted to the next following meeting of the Jury - and then for good and sufficient reasons for lateness in filing. The Institute staff has no authority to do so and carefully adheres to the deadline, except where delays in delivery of the mails would work against the filing of the nomination for which the proposers would not be responsible; and where such mail indicates it was posted on or prior to November 1st.

Each nomination form has printed on the first page of A.I.A. Document No. 9 attached to it, and in red ink, notice to the effect that nominations must be filed by November 1; also, an announcement to that effect was printed in the A.I.A. BULLETIN.

Responding to your last paragraph, each nomination is checked when it is received - as to the eligibility of the nominee for such nomination, as well as his good standing in The Institute and the Chapter; and if the nomination is made by members and/or fellows, a check is made that they

are members and fellows in good standing, also.

When nominations are made by Chapter Executive Committees, a check is made to be sure they are signed by a majority of the members of the Executive Committee.

Where any additional signatures are required, the nomination forms are returned for completion.

Therefore, when the Jury meets, all nominations are in proper order or they are not submitted for consideration.

At the present time there are a number of instances where supporting exhibits have not been received. I am holding these in suspense, and if much more time elapses before such exhibits are forwarded, I shall write to the proposers reminding them of this lack and warning them if the material is not received, the nominations will not be complete and ready for consideration.

None of these details should concern you or the Jury, as that is the responsibility of The Institute staff in its work to assist the committees in their work as much as possible.

Let me know if I have not covered all the questions you have in mind.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. H. Daland Chandler, Chairman
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.
9 Arlington Street
Boston, Massachusetts

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1741 New York Avenue, N. W.

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Inter-Office Communication

H. DALAND CHANDLER
9 ARLINGTON STREET
BOSTON, MASS

December 28, 1950

Mr. Joseph D. Leland
814 Statler Building
Boston 10, Massachusetts

Dear Joe:

I appreciate the interest you have taken in Kenneth Welch's nomination for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, as well as the effort his nominators made in his behalf to have his application considered at the next meeting of the Jury.

I am sorry that the proponents did not begin earlier in the season to complete the rather arduous job of collecting the necessary information and exhibit, and that they did not inform themselves by a scrutiny of the Instruction Sheet as to how properly to sign the application, so that it did not arrive at The Octagon in correct form until the thirteenth of November.

Miss Gervais asked me about receiving it and I answered her as you know. I cannot conceive it as a fair thing to other proposers who were forehanded enough to get their material into the Institute before the dead-line, that entries arriving after this time should be considered.

Sincerely yours,

H. Daland Chandler, Chairman,
The Jury of Fellows, A.I.A.

c.c. Miss Gervais ✓
HDC:T

Noted
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ELMER J. MANSON, *President*
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Lansing 15, Michigan

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Mr. H. Daland Chandler
9 Arlington Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Chandler:

Our chapter is considering the nomination of Kenneth Welch of Grand Rapids for fellowship in the Institute. We understand that he has already been nominated by individual action. Will you kindly advise me the status of his application?

Very truly yours,

WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Elmer J. Manson, President

EJM/ib

October 9, 1952

Elmer J. Manson, President
Western Michigan Chapter
The American Institute of Architects
Lansing 15, Michigan

My dear Mr. Manson:

In answer to your letter of October 7 requesting information as to the status of Kenneth Welch's application for fellowship to the Institute, I am forwarding this letter to Miss Florence H. Gervais at The Octagon for a more definite answer.

I regret to say that with the New York Convention my term of office on the Jury of Fellows came to an end, and I can only advise you that if you have not heard from Miss Gervais already, I assume the application has been reviewed and passed, without prejudice, to a reconsideration next March. Usually the President of the applicant's Chapter is informed of current action so that there may be no uneasiness aroused that the application received no consideration. It may be, as Mr. Welch was proposed by individuals, and not by Chapter action, nobody has as yet been informed as to the official action to date. You may be assured, however, that "No news is good news" until the third consideration, but I should advise you to communicate at once with Miss Gervais for a definite report.

Sincerely,



HDC:m

C: Miss Florence H. Gervais

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COPY

Administration Building
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

October 10, 1952

Dear Mr. Manson:

With further reference to yours of October 7th and Mr. H. Daland Chandler's response of October 9th about the nomination of Mr. Kenneth Welch, A.I.A., for advancement to Fellowship:

This nomination was filed in November of last year, but too late to fall within the deadline for nominations which were submitted to and considered by The Jury of Fellows at its 1952 meeting. Therefore, it has been held over for consideration at the Jury's 1953 meeting.

The nomination was made by individual members and was signed by:

James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.	Raymond J. Ashton, F.A.I.A.
Charles F. Collarius, F.A.I.A.	Douglas Orr, F.A.I.A.
D. K. Este Fisher, Jr., F.A.I.A.	James H. Stephenson, A.I.A.
Van Fossen Schwab, A.I.A.	Bryden B. Hude, A.I.A.
James R. Edmunds, III, A.I.A.	Georges Rodzevitch, A.I.A.

Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A., of 1025 St. Paul Street, Baltimore 2, Maryland, appears to be the prime mover on Mr. Welch's behalf, if you should wish to get in touch with him in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. Elmer J. Manson, President
Western Michigan Chapter, A.I.A.
517 North Washington Avenue
Lansing 15, Michigan

Copy to Mr. Chandler

H. DALAND CHANDLER
ARCHITECT F. A. I. A.
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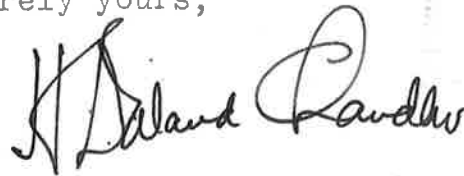
October 9, 1952

Miss Florence H. Gervais
1741 New York Ave., N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.

My dear Miss Gervais:

I have already acknowledged the enclosed letter to Mr. Manson, as you will see by the enclosed copy. Whether you wish to wait for his request or not, I leave with you, but the matter, as you see, I am putting in your hands.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "H. Daland Chandler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "HDC:m".

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October 7, 1952

Miss Florence Gervais
Secretary, Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

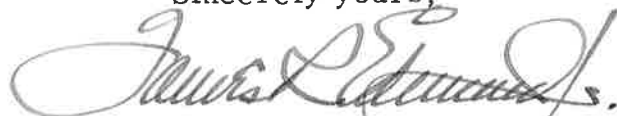
Dear Miss Gervais:

This is to ask if you would be good enough to send me a list of those who supported the nomination of Kenneth C. Welch, Grand Rapids Chapter, to Fellowship, either by signing his petition or in writing supporting letters.

If you will do this, it will be very much appreciated.

I am, with best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



James R. Edmunds, Jr.

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Please note: Our new address: 1025 St. Paul Street
Baltimore 2, Maryland

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Administration Building
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

Dear Mr. Edmunds:

The nomination of Kenneth Curtis Welch, A.I.A., for advancement to Fellowship, is signed by

James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.
Charles F. Cellarius, F.A.I.A.
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Van Fossen Schwab, A.I.A.
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Douglas Orr, F.A.I.A.
James H. Stephenson, A.I.A.
Bryden B. Hyde, A.I.A.
Georges Rodzevitch, A.I.A.

and letters supporting the nomination so far received are from

Richard G. Belcher, A.I.A.
Henry L. Blatner, A.I.A.
Clair W. Ditchy, F.A.I.A.
Howard T. Fisher, A.I.A.
John R. Fugard, A.I.A.
Wm. J. H. Hough, F.A.I.A.
Morris Ketchum, Jr., A.I.A.
Richard Koch, F.A.I.A.
George S. Koyl, F.A.I.A.
Joseph D. Leland, F.A.I.A.

Marion I. Manley, A.I.A.
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Adolph Novak, A.I.A.
A. Charles Pioch, A.I.A.
H. Bartol Register, F.A.I.A.
John N. Richards, A.I.A.
Alexander C. Robinson, III, F.A.I.A.
C. E. Silling, F.A.I.A.
Kenneth K. Stowell, A.I.A.
Fritz von Grossmann, A.I.A.

With best regards

Yours sincerely,

Secretary to
The Jury of Fellows

Mr. James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.
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WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

29 October 1952

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is the resolution of the Executive Committee which nominated Kenneth C. Welch, of the Western Michigan Chapter for Fellowship in the Institute.

Our understanding is that a prior nomination for Mr. Welch has been submitted and we request that this resolution become a part of that nomination.

Mr. Welch has many outstanding accomplishments to his credit in varied fields of professional activities. His research into light and color have brought him fame from many national groups. He is recognized as a leader in commercial design, having written the chapter on Department Stores in Talbot Hamlin's *Forms and Functions of 20th Century Architecture*. At the present he is undoubtedly the outstanding authority on the regional shopping centers which are changing the buying habits of the nation. His work as a member of the Grand Rapids Planning Commission has earned him distinction in his home city and further national recognition.

These many activities should adequately qualify Mr. Welch for Fellowship in the Institute and we respectfully submit this resolution of nomination.

Very truly yours,

WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Elmer J. Manson
Elmer J. Manson, President

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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

BY

CHAPTER

THE JURY OF FELLOWS

The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue,
Washington 6, D. C.

Date 28 October 19 52

The Executive Committee of this Chapter, at a duly called meeting on 8 October 19 52^{*Type in full name.} nominated* Kenneth C. Welch member of this Chapter, for fellowship in The Institute. We enclose evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship on which the nomination was based and certify the resolution is as follows:

"Whereas, this Executive Committee believes* Kenneth C. Welch a member of this Chapter, has made so notable a contribution to the advancement of the profession because of his achievement in** Design and Public Service that he is worthy of fellowship in The Institute; and

*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† twenty-eight years prior to this date; therefore be it

†Type in number of years.

"Resolved, That‡ the Western Michigan Chapter, The American Institute of Architects, does hereby nominate*

‡Type in name of Chapter.

*Type in full name.

Kenneth C. Welch 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."

Clay Manson
President

Richard Snyder
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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Received Nov. 7, 1951.
Voted On Mar. 13, 1952
Voted On Mar. 26, 1953
Voted On 19 .
Granted Mar. 26, 1953

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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

1. *Name of Nominee* Kenneth Curtis Welch *Date of Nomination* October 24, 1950
2. *Address of Nominee* 1340 Monroe, N.W., Grand Rapids 2, Michigan
3. *Nominee's firm* Kenneth C. Welch, Architect.
4. *Nominee's principal place of business* Michigan
5. *Nominee's Chapter* Western Michigan Chapter
6. *Nominee's State Association Member* Michigan Society of Architects
7. *Nominee admitted to Institute* 1924 19 .
8. *Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from* 1924 to Dec. 31, 1951
9. *Nominee's age* 60 yrs. *Birthplace* Sparta, Michigan
10. *Nominators:*

James R. Edmunds, Jr., F.A.I.A.	Raymond J. Ashton, F.A.I.A.
Charles F. Cellarius, F.A.I.A.	Douglas Orr, F.A.I.A.
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11. *Achievement in Design, Literature, Service to The Institute, and Public Service.*

Exhibits Rec'd

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NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

BY
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

THE JURY OF FELLOWS
The Octagon, 1741 New York Avenue,
Washington 6, D. C.

Date 24 October 1950 Use typewriter
except for signa-
tures.

We hereby nominate **Kenneth Curtis Welch**
member of The **Western Michigan** Chapter,
for fellowship in The Institute for his notable contribution to the advancement of the profession by his
achievements in *design, *~~the science of construction~~, *literature, *~~education~~ *service to The Institute,
*public service.

Type in full name
of nominee.
Type in name of
Chapter.

*Strike out all
inappropriate
words.

Evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship is appended.

****Members' Signatures**

Chapter of Signer

**The signatures
of five fellows of
the nominee's
chapter or of state
association mem-
ber to which he
belongs; or of
any ten corporate
members will con-
stitute a nomi-
nation. If you
are a Fellow place
the initials
F.A.I.A. after
your name.

<i>James R. Edwards Jr.</i>	F.A.I.A. Baltimore
<i>Samuel L. Burt</i>	F.A.I.A. Utah
<i>Wm. F. Cellarino</i>	F.A.I.A. Cincinnati
<i>Douglas W. Cox</i>	F.A.I.A. Connecticut
<i>W. E. Stebbins</i>	F.A.I.A. Baltimore
<i>James H. Stephenson</i>	A.I.A. Baltimore
<i>Van Fossen Schwab</i>	A.I.A. Baltimore
<i>Arthur H. Hays</i>	A.I.A. Baltimore
<i>Charles R. Roosevelt</i>	A.I.A. Baltimore
<i>Samuel P. Edmunds</i>	A.I.A. Baltimore

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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

1. Nominee's full name Kenneth Curtis Welch
2. Nominee is a natural ~~naturalized~~ citizen of the United States
3. Nominee's legal residence 1110 College, N. E., Grand Rapids, Michigan
4. Nominee's firm name Kenneth C. Welch, Architect. (See Exhibit "B" for other activity)
5. Nominee's principal place of business, address 1340 Monroe, N. W., Grand Rapids-2, Mich.

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

Type in "N.C. R. B." or name of State Board, as case may be.

Strike out in appropriate words.

Type in date birth and city and Country.

6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by examination, State of Michigan
7. Nominee is engaged in practice of architecture as a practicing architect ~~member in architecture~~ ~~teacher in science of construction~~ ~~public official~~ ~~retired~~ architectural consultant.

8. Born July 14, 1891 Place of birth Sparta, Michigan.

9. Nominee's schools, colleges and universities:

	Location	No. of Years	Year of Graduation	Degree
High School	Central High Grand Rapids	1		
Private School	Detroit Univ. Sc.,	4	1910	
College or University	Uni. of Mich. (1911 - 12)	2		
College or University	Uni. of Pa.		1915	B.S. Architecture
Post Graduate at	Uni. of Pa.		1916	M.S. Architecture
Scholarships held	None			

10. Other data concerning nominee's record. See Exhibit "B" to which should be added Triangle Club (Uni. of Mich. 1912 an Engineering Honor Society); Sigma Xi (Uni. Pa. 1915, Honorary Society); First award, Harbeson Prize Uni. of Pa, 1915.

Reference to biography will disclose the candidates wide range of interest in activities closely related to architecture. In the field of merchandising he has contributed notably to the advancement of lighting as well as to functional design related to selling and internal store traffic.

His contribution to the design of many stores has been significant and in many instances has not been fully recognized. His own modesty is the chief cause for such lack.

The fact that Talbot Hamlin has asked the candidate to write the section on department stores in his forthcoming book is good evidence to his knowledge and pre-eminence in this field of architecture.

He has for years been an outstanding exponent of "recentralization" a movement now coming into its own.

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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)	Completed Construction Work (Year)	Photographs ^o Drawings, or Sketches Submitted
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See Exhibit "A"

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.

Nominees chief contribution in the field of architectural design as such has been in the field of construction for merchandising. In many cases he has acted as a consultant to executive architects, but in some few cases has had complete charge of the work. The John David store on Fifth Avenue at 49th Street in New York City is such an example. In The Hughes & Hatcher store in Detroit, Howard Crane Associates, Architects, with the nominee as Associate Architect, the multiple level principle of merchandising was especially successful with selling on three levels without an elevator. The Rutland's of Orlando, Florida is a similar example.

Shulman & Co., Norfolk store, one of the first examples using fluorescent lighting in the United States, the candidate was entirely responsible for the interior design, general merchandising scheme and lighting.

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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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See Exhibit "B"

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.

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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.)

While not educational in its strictest sense, the two technical symposia conducted by the nominee at the A. I. A. conventions in Salt Lake City and in Washington, and also at other meetings such as the Ann Arbor Conference, the American Society of Planning Officials, Civic and Planning Association and the like certainly make a real contribution of service to the profession.

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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See Exhibit "B"

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTE

1. State fully the nominee's signal service to The Institute, his chapter, or his state organization, 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.

While the nominee has never held Chapter office he has served on the Board of the Grand Rapids Chapter prior to World War II.

In addition he represented that Chapter as delegate, a great many times, the only delegate from Grand Rapids, entirely at his own expense, and

at Williamsburg, Boston, Cincinnati, New Orleans, Miami Beach, Louisville, Salt Lake City and Washington.

He has always responded to requests to present papers either at Regional or Chapter meetings including the Great Lake Regional meeting in Dayton and recently in St. Louis, on shopping centers. He has talked to many Chapters on various subjects at their request and at his expense, notably Detroit, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Baltimore, Western Michigan and a number of others on subjects ranging from City planning to store design to lighting.

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.

Chairman of the City Planning Commission of Grand Rapids, Michigan
1943 to date. A contribution to civic service without remuneration.

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1735 NEW YORK AVENUE, N. W.
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1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
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April 3, 1953

Dear Mr. Welch:

The American Institute of Architects desires to confer upon you the honor of Fellowship, and membership in the College of Fellows, in accord with the action of The Jury of Fellows at its recent meeting.

The purpose of this letter is to request your presence at the 1953 Convention of The Institute, to be held in Seattle, Washington, starting on June 16, 1953, in the Olympic Hotel.

At the formal dinner of the Convention on the evening of Thursday, June 18, those who have been elected to Fellowship will receive their certificates. Presentation will be with appropriate ceremony and it is highly important that each of the newly-elected Fellows be present. The Officers of The Institute and The Jury of Fellows join in the request that you come to receive this honor in person.

Your Chapter has been notified and has been requested to make no public announcement until after such announcement has been released by The Institute.

Please send your response to The Institute at an early convenient date.

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, F.A.I.A.
924 Grandville Street, S. W.
Grand Rapids 9, Michigan

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KENNETH C. WELCH . . . ARCHITECT

NEW ADDRESS
924 GRANDVILLE, S. W.
PHONE 9-4594

April 10, 1953

Mr. Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director
1735 New York Avenue N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Ned:

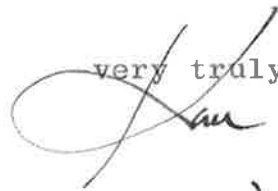
I just returned home late last evening, and this is the first letter I am writing this morning. I want to appreciate very much everything you done, Ned, in making this honor possible.

It was nice seeing you the other day at the Symposium , but we did not get a chance to see enough of each other.

I am enclosing my formal acknowledgement to the Institute.

With kind regards,

very truly yours,



Kenneth C. Welch
SU

*Ned: I note you addressed me FAIA -
I am just having some new stationery printed as
with AIA - or can I get a small amount
long I carefully read to my those
who would not answer it. I'll early -
when will the AIA announce it. In Seattle?
Ken.*

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KENNETH C. WELCH... ARCHITECT
MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

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924 GRANDVILLE, S.W.
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April 10, 1953

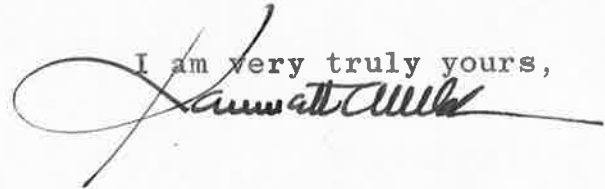
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The Octagon,
1735 New York Avenue N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I should like to acknowledge Mr. Edmund R. Purves
letter addressed to me, dated April 3rd, conferring
upon me the honor of Fellowship, and membership in
the College of Fellows.

It is unnecessary for me to say how much I appreciate
this honor, and I will plan to be in Seattle in June.

Thanking you again,

I am very truly yours,


Kenneth C. Welch
SU

Administration Building
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

April 13, 1953

Dear Ken:

Thanks kindly for your letter of April 10th. Nothing gives me more pleasure than to know that you are to be elevated to Fellowship in The Institute at the coming Convention. It is an honor well deserved.

I see no reason why you cannot have your new stationery printed with the initials "F.A.I.A." thereon. Public announcement has been made, and the chapters have been advised. The press releases went out late last week so that you will no doubt wish to keep an eye on your local newspaper. Official presentation of your Certificate will be made at the coming Convention.

With all good wishes and looking forward to seeing you in Seattle, I am

Sincerely yours,



Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, F.A.I.A.
924 Grandville, S. W.
Grand Rapids, Michigan

P:msd
cc: Miss Gervais

Admirals of the
924 Grand Central St
Grand Rapids 9 Mich.



Flagship Fleet

New York City
June 29

Dear Ned:

Am sitting in the admirals club at La Guardia
between planes Detroit to Philly - having a drink
as you can see by ring lower right center.

Will try and call you tomorrow from there but if
usually - I want to ask a favor. You mentioned
our time in Wash. that there were some home
builders who members of the A.I.A. Can
you give me - confidentially. Their names and
if possible the rough extent of their home
building activities. I am starting a campaign
now thru the W. Mich chapters to get
a couple of my drivers in associates
in the Institute and
information will be useful.

I was nice seeing you in Seattle.
Enclosing a print of champagne party in
Ray Ashton's apt - mavericks of the bride & groom -
you and Lisa were very much in the background -
Went to L.A. - Carl Koch & Phill will come
down for a day's tour of Shopping Centers. Working with
Pam Fruit in Phila - then to Boston on the R.R. yards platform
with Pietro - Carl - et al - then Pittsburgh and home. In the
4th -
Regards
Ned

members
Welch, Kennedy

Administration Building
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.

July 2, 1953

Dear Ken:

Thank you for yours of June 29th and for the photograph of the Ashtons wedding anniversary.

A few of the A.I.A. members who are closely identified with home building that occur to me are: Kenneth Dowsell of New Jersey; Alvin Aubinoe of Washington, D.C.; Jack Highland of Buffalo; and Chuck Goodman of Washington, D.C. There are doubtless others, and I think Morgan Yost is probably very much better informed on them than I. One or two of them, I believe, carry on a combination of vocations.

I know that Ken Dowsell was at one time the president of the New Jersey Chapter, A.I.A., and at another time the president of the New Jersey section or chapter of the National Association of Home Builders, and I believe that Jack Highland, too, was an official or active in the NAHB.

Alvin Aubinoe's activities are possibly a little bit removed from the home building field as we think of it, as he is more in the apartment and larger scale line. All of them, to be the best of my knowledge, carry on their businesses in their professional careers on the highest plane, and I have never heard any criticism. I am sure that any of them would be pleased to tell you just how he operates.

Let me know when you are in Washington again and let's have lunch together and talk the situation over.

In the meanwhile, with all good wishes to you,

Yours sincerely,

Edmund R. Purves
Executive Director

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A.
924 Grandville, S.W.
Grand Rapids 9, Michigan

ERP:ec

*member
Welch, Kenneth e*

FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

May 9, 1955

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, F.A.I.A.
924 Grandville, S. W.
Grand Rapids 9, Michigan

*member
transfer policy*

Dear Mr. Welch:

This is in response to your letter of May 2 concerning your chapter assignment.

There is an additional phrase in the By-Laws of The Institute concerning chapter assignment which states:

"In special cases and upon application to The Board of Directors, The Board may by majority vote assign a member to a chapter of his choice which is not located in a territory in which he maintains his legal residence or his principal place of business, provided that The Institute shall make known the fact of said application to the chapter in which applicant makes his legal residence or principal place of business and the said chapter consents to the said assignment."

It would therefore be appropriate for you to make this request to The Board of Directors by letter addressed to The Board at this office. We can promptly ask the chapters involved for their approval and bring the matter before The Board at its next meeting which will be June 18.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Rankin
Administrative Secretary

JWR:mbh

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*Members.
Welch, Kenneth C.*

June 5, 1958

FILE COPY - PLEASE RETURN

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, F.A.I.A.
924 Grandville, S. W.
Grand Rapids 9, Michigan

Dear Ken:

The Institute's committee structure has become so cumbersome and complicated that not only were we functioning inefficiently but also the financial burden of supporting the committees prevented us from engaging in other needed services to the members. The Board therefore had a study made for the purpose of streamlining our organization. This study recommended a number of changes which have been put into effect. These changes included the abolishment of some committees and reductions in personnel in others.

The Committee on the Home Building Industry has now become a standing vertical committee of only five members. The reduction naturally entails disappointment to those loyal and devoted members who have not been designated to continue on the committee. Personnel decisions were difficult in the extreme, as virtually without exception all members of committees have made substantial contributions to the welfare of the profession and prestige of The Institute.

Selections of those to continue was made by The Board by ballot - in many instances only after prolonged balloting.

Although you have not been selected to continue, The Board has requested me to convey to you its deep gratitude for the service you have rendered and expresses the hope that in the not too distant future further opportunity will be given to call upon you again.

Sincerely yours,

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

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October 30, 1967

Mrs. Maureen Marx
Membership Procedures
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20006

Dear Maureen:

FAIA

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch of our Grand Valley Chapter would like to apply for Emeritus membership.

Will you please check your records, and send him an application form if he meets the requirements.

Sincerely,



Ann Stacy
Executive Director
Michigan Society of Architects

cc Kenneth C. Welch, F.A.I.A.
547 Cherry Street, S.E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

AS:rj

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November 2, 1967

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, FAIA
547 Cherry Street, S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Dear Mr. Welch:

In accordance with Ann Stacy's request of October 30th, we are pleased to enclose an Application for Membership Emeritus. If you will fill it in, sign and return it to this office, we shall be glad to see that the proper action is taken.

You probably know that Membership Emeritus will enable you to enjoy full rights and privileges of active membership while being relieved of dues payments.

Sincerely yours,

Maureen Marx, Manager
Membership Procedures

cc: Secty., Grand Valley Chapter, AIA

Mr. Koteles: Please advise us of Mr. Welch's standing.
Many thanks.

Maureen Marx



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Application for Membership Emeritus

TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS:

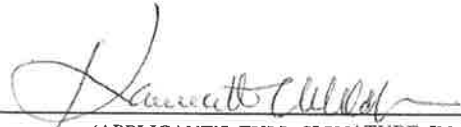
I wish to apply for Membership Emeritus in The Institute for the following reasons:

Check the appropriate reason

- I am more than 70 years of age. Going on 77
- I am 65 years of age, retired, and not engaged in the practice of architecture.
- I am unable to engage in the practice of architecture.

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

Date November 14 19 67


(APPLICANT'S FULL SIGNATURE IN INK)

See supplemental information attached.

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 not the requirements as checked above.

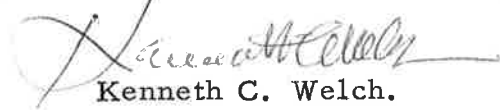
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Supplemental information.

November 14 1967

I am currently acting as a consultant to primarily architects, on retail market studies and their adaptation to design and on lighting. Most recent "The Architectural Discipline of Lighting" in the August 1967 issue of Illuminating Engineering. I am also devoting some time to lecturing on Architecturally oriented subjects.

I have only one employee- averaging four hours a week- a bookkeeper.



Kenneth C. Welch.

Copy to

Ann Stacy.

Secty., Grand Valley Chapter,

P. S. My current address 547 Cherry st. s.e. is my residence-the

Oakwood Manor.

KCW

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ME
November 16, 1967

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, FAIA
547 Cherry Street, S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Dear Mr. Welch:

This will acknowledge receipt of your application for Membership Emeritus which is in order and will be presented to the Secretary of The Institute for final action as soon as the required approval is received from the Grand Valley Chapter.

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jean Workman
Membership Procedures

cc: Mr. Koteles, Secretary
Grand Valley Chapter, AIA

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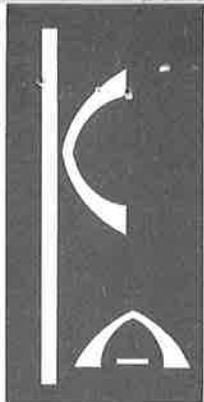
January 8, 1968

To: Mr. Koteles, Secty., Grand Valley Chapter
From: Maureen Marx, Mgr., Membership Procedures
Re: Kenneth C. Welch, FAIA

This will advise that we intend to take final action on Mr. Welch's election to Membership Emeritus on January 15, 1968, unless we hear from you to the contrary before then.

He is eligible for such membership and has been for the past several years at least.

JAN 15 1968



koprowski · associates · architects
345 State Street · Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502 · Phone 451-2909

January 11, 1968

Betty Jean Workman
Membership Procedures
American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Miss Workman:

The Grand Valley Chapter Executive Board at their January 8, 1968 official meeting has approved Mr. Kenneth C. Welch for Membership Emeritus. He is currently in good standing with our chapter.

According to your letter of November 16, 1967 his application is already at your office.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Koprowski, Secretary
Grand Valley Chapter A.I.A.

RCK/jrc

cc:

Ann Stacy, MSA

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January 18, 1968

Mr. Kenneth C. Welch, FAIA
547 Cherry Street, S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Dear Mr. Welch:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I have authorized your election as a Member Emeritus of The Institute as of January 1, 1968.

The Treasurer's Office of The Institute and your component organizations are being directed to adjust the records accordingly.

On behalf of The Officers and Board of Directors, I wish to take this opportunity to express my great appreciation for your support, throughout your many years of membership, of the work and projects undertaken by The Institute and its components for the cause of better architecture.

We hope that your interest in The Institute and Chapter will continue, even though you have now been relieved of all dues payments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Rex W. Allen, FAIA

RWA:bjw



Michigan
Society of
Architects

28 W. Adams Ave.
Detroit, Michigan
48226

April 23, 1973

Mrs. Maureen Marx
Membership
American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mrs. Marx:

Please be advised that Grand Valley Chapter
member Kenneth C. Welch, FAIA, member
emeritus died on April 7, 1973.

Sincerely,

Frances Kacir

fk
CC: Robert Koehler, AIA Journal

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KENNETH C. WELCH . . . ARCHITECT

FELLOW: AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS . . MEMBER HIGHWAY RESEARCH BOARD,
AMERICAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION . . AFFILIATE, AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PLANNERS.

April 24, 1973


American Institute of Architects
1735 New York Avenue N.W.
Washington D. C. 20006

Gentlemen:

This is to inform you that Kenneth C. Welch F.A.I.A. passed
away on April 7, 1973.

We would appreciate your removing his name from your mailing
list.

Thank you.


Lila M. Welch *aws*

aws

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NO. _____

BALDWIN MEMORIAL ARCHIVE of American Architects

Name: Kenneth Curtis Welch of (address) Sparta, Michigan

Born: July 14, 1891 at Sparta, Michigan Died: 1973 at Grand Rapids

Parents: Lyman Westley Welch and Francis Curtis

Married: Lila Montgomery of on July 18, 1928

Children: Kenneth C., R. Montgomery, Diana E. (Mrs. Robert E. Chapman), P. Craig Allen William.

Education: University of Michigan 1910 - 11; University of Pennsylvania B.S. 1915, M.S. 1916.

Training; and practice as Principal: (Firm Names, Places, Dates, Specialization)

Huggett & Welch, 1916-1917; General Practice Grand Rapids, 1919 - 1973;
Vice President in charge of Design Welch-Wilmarth Corp, 1925 - 28; Grand Rapids Store Equipment 1928 - 1952, Chairman Grand Rapids City Planning Commission 1943 - 1952, Architectural and Economic Consultant 1952 - 1973; Lectured - Harvard Graduate School, Yale Traffic School, Univ. of Mich. School of Arch., Univ of Ill. M.I.T. Carnegie Tech, University of Kansas.
Professional Memberships and Service: (Institute and Chapter Activities; Teaching)

Registered State of Michigan 1917
Fellow of the American Institute of Architects (Delegate to Inter-Society Color Council)
Architectural League of New York
Michigan Society of Architects

Other Affiliations: (Religious, Fraternal, Political, Social)Public Service: (Civil and Military; Community, State, National)

2nd Lt. Signal Corps, U. S. Army 1918 - 1921

Published Material: (Articles and Addresses; Executed Work; Biographical Data)

Numerous articles mostly on stores, shopping centers and lighting including chapter on Dept. Stores in "Forms and Functions of 20th Century Architecture" published by Columbia University

General Background: (Personal Characteristics and Accomplishments; Interests, Digressions, Travels, Friendships, Side-lights, Honors, and Awards.)

Triangle Club (University of Michigan, 1912, Engineering Honor Society).
Sigma Xi, Honorary Scientific Society (University of Pennsylvania 1916).
American Institute of Planners (affiliate).
Michigan Society of Planning Officials
American Society of Planning Officials
American Planning and Civic Association
Illuminating Engineering Society (Daylighting, School Lighting and Store Lighting Committees).
American Marketing Association
Chief Flying Engineering Officer, Aerial Gunnery School, San Leon Texas, 10/17 - 3/19
Associate Architect on the following shopping centers: Mondawmin, Baltimore (operating two years); *Newton and *Spencer, Iowa - advanced leasing stage; *North Star Center, San Antonio - opened September 23, 1960; Unnamed center in leasing stage, *Louisville, Kentucky; *Breton Village, Grand Rapids *THE CENTER, Omaha - *Westland and *Eastland, Jacksonville, Florida; Westroads - a hundred acre center in active planning stage, Omaha.
Consulting Architect on the Following Centers: High Point Baltimore, Harundale, Baltimore, Rogers & Talliaferro architects, Charlottown, Charlotte, North Carolina - A. G. Odell, Jr. Architect, opened October 1959, *Spring Valley Center and *Summer Center, Washington, D.C., Seven Corners, Washington D. C., Consultant on the center Don's Mills, Toronto; Cloverdale, Toronto
Studies for Central Business District rehabilitations for the North Side, Pittsburgh (consultation with Pittsburgh P.C., Regional Plan and University of Pittsburgh); Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin; and made the Market Study for Downtown Flint renewal plans made by L. Segoe; currently associated with J & G. Daverman Company, L. Segoe of Cincinnati and Wilbur Smith of New Haven on rehabilitation of the Central District Lansing, Michigan. Member Governor's Study Commission on Metropolitan Affairs, Michigan 1959.
Survey for certain commercial land uses which include a brief study of the C.B.D. for Community Research and Development, Inc., 14 West Sarota St. Baltimore in the past few years; of New Haven, Denver, Louisville, Staten Island, Delaware County Pennsylvania, similar work for others in El Paso, Albuquerque, Dallas, Memphis, Miami, Flint, Michigan and Des Moines.

* Made economic study

Principal Commissions: (Classified, with locations and Reference Data) (Above)

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