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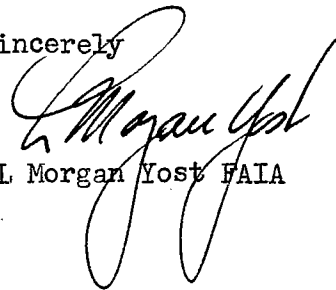
Gentlemen: Todd Wheeler and I have known each other since we were school boys together which brings personal pleasure to me in writing this letter.

In high school I knew Todd would go far. His days of early practice paralleled my own and I have thereby known much of his accomplishment. As he turned to the field of consultation on the planning of hospitals and medical schools, I was much interested for he was in a large measure instituting a new approach to the practice of architecture.

His success in this field shows that his judgment for its need was correct. He has, we may observe, become a specialist to serve the general practitioners so they may practice in these specialized fields. He has recognized not only an opportunity for himself but also for the service of his profession.

It is no ordinary service or attainment that the Institute would be honoring in advancing Mr Wheeler to Fellowship.

Sincerely



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DEAR SIRs:

IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CHICAGO CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS HAS NOMINATED MR. E. TODD WHEELER TO THE HONORED POSITION OF FELLOWSHIP. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY OF ENDORSING MR. WHEELER FOR THIS HONOR.

MR. WHEELER HAS SERVED AS CONSULTANT FOR THE UNITED MINE WORKERS, MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION ON WHICH WE HANDLED HALF OF THE JOBS. WE FOUND HIM AT ALL TIMES TO HAVE A PROFESSIONAL INTEREST IN THE OWNER'S WELFARE AND TO EXECUTE HIS CHARGE WITH THE GREATEST OF SINCERITY. WE TRUST THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER HIM FAVORABLY FOR THIS NEW HONOR.

THANKING YOU, I AM

SINCERELY YOURS,



MORELAND GRIFFITH SMITH,
SHERLOCK, SMITH & ADAMS.

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EARL H. REED, F.A.I.A.
ARCHITECT
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January 5, 1955

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Jury of Fellows
American Institute of Architects
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Dear Sirs:

I am pleased to write this letter strongly supporting the candidacy of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for elevation to Fellowship in the Institute. I have had the privilege of many personal and professional contacts with him and know him to be a man of highest integrity and exceptional technical skill.

Originally in partnership with Perkins and Will, he branched out into the consulting field about 1940, specializing brilliantly in projects of educational and medical nature. As consultant for the Universities of Illinois and Chicago, the Chicago Medical Commission, Architectural Assistant State of Illinois and numerous public and private individual projects, he has effectually influenced the development of over (50) important structures, always toward simplicity, efficiency and low cost.

Mr. Wheeler has usefully served the Institute, civic and institutional committees and has written and talked widely. He is a man with unusual analytical talents and has applied them in nationwide fashion with credit to our profession. He richly merits the honor of Fellowship in the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

Earl H. Reed

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Earl H. Reed, F.A.I.A.

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Gentlemen:

To forward the candidacy of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler, I would respectfully submit my endorsement of the recommendations of the Chicago Chapter.

In the particular field chosen by Mr. Wheeler, there has been no more successful professional contribution.

In school design, hospital design and the coordination of these items in master planning at Universities and Hospital groups, his services have been invaluable to the client, both public and private. His collaboration with the members of the Institute has been highly practical and in the best professional tradition.

His previous responsibilities as a Partner in the firm of Perkins Wheeler & Will were varied and important and have eminently fitted him for this service as consultant.

His work with the American Hospital Association and his many scholarly literary contributions have been technically able and of definite help to our profession.

I heartily recommend Mr. Wheeler for elevation to Fellowship.

Respectfully yours,



Alfred Shaw

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Gentlemen:

This letter is written in support of the nomination of E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

There is attached a folder entitled "Data on Nominee" prepared by the Committee on Fellowship of the Chicago Chapter, which will amplify and supplement the data included with Mr. Wheeler's nomination. In view of the fact that Mr. Wheeler's activities since 1941 have been unusual and beyond what might ordinarily be considered a normal architectural practice, I thought that this additional information would be of value to the Jury of Fellows.

Mr. Wheeler's professional career consists of three major parts:

- A. As partner in the firm of Perkins, Wheeler and Will from 1936 to 1944. This firm now is known as Perkins and Will. From its early beginnings, it has been an outstanding firm in the Midwest.
- B. Consulting architect to the University of Illinois, Chicago Professional Colleges and Director of Planning, Medical Center Commission, Chicago, from 1941 to 1953.

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Washington 6, D. C.

December 28, 1954

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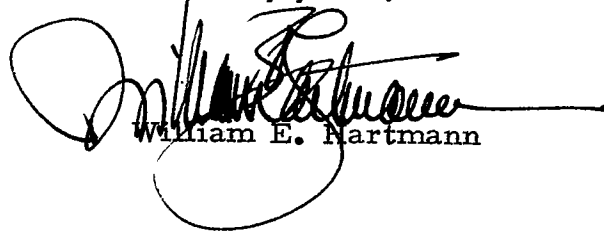
- C. Consultant on planning of hospitals and medical schools. This activity in itself is unusual, most consultants in this field having a background either as doctors or as hospital administrators. Mr. Wheeler, bringing to this work the experience of the architect, is making an important contribution to the planning of medical facilities. His success in handling projects of various types and sizes across the country is indicative of his unusual performance in the field.

In parallel to Mr. Wheeler's professional career, he has participated in public service to a very great extent. His work for the State of Illinois from 1950 to 1952 is an example of a public activity where an architect has gone into government life to improve the organization and management of a major public works program. His other activities in the Wilmette Planning Board, the Community Fund, the American Hospital Association, and other service agencies are additional evidence of his overall interest in serving the community.

I have personally known Mr. Wheeler in both areas in which he is being nominated for Fellowship: Design and Public Service. This firm has performed architectural services for projects which have been constructed under his technical and administrative guidance. These include a structure for the University of Illinois at the Medical Center, and a large hospital project for the State of Illinois when he was assisting the supervising architect of the State. In both of these projects, we had an opportunity to observe Mr. Wheeler's technical performance, energy and integrity, all of which are of superior quality.

I consider it a privilege to recommend E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in the Institute.

Sincerely yours,



William E. Hartmann

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December 21, 1954

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The American Institute of Architects
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Gentlemen:

I understand that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler has been nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects, and I am happy to write this letter in support of his nomination. I have known Mr. Wheeler since 1940. He served as my assistant in an architectural capacity when I was Executive Dean of the University of Illinois Medical Center, and later became the Director of Planning for the Westside Medical Commission when this organization was created in about 1943.

I have found that Mr. Wheeler is a most competent architect, with more than usual gifts as a program analyst and planner. His work with the University of Illinois and the Westside Medical Commission was, in my opinion, distinguished and of high quality indeed. Despite the fact that he has gone, to a large extent, into work of a planning nature, he has never lost sight of the fundamental architectural problems involved. His recent work with the United Mine Workers in developing that agency's plans for a chain of hospitals in the coal region is another example of his ability to weld together diverse personalities and interests, and to recognize and provide for specific needs while keeping these local projects in harmony with a broad scheme. What I am saying is that Wheeler is, in my view, a first-rate architect who relates his professional skills to the requirements of the particular environment in which he has to work without losing his integrity as an architect.

I do not know what the particular requirements and standards for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects may be, but I am sure that it is fair to say that Mr. Wheeler is a distinguished representative of the architectural profession. He is a man of great professional skill and high ideals as an architect and as an American. I would recommend him most highly for Fellowship in the Institute.

Sincerely,

R.B. Allen



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Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit this letter in connection with the nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects. Mr. Wheeler's contribution to civic improvement in Chicago have been great, and are well known to me.

As Director of Planning for the Chicago Medical Center Commission, Mr. Wheeler performed outstanding services in the long-range planning for development of the Medical Center District, which represents one of the largest urban redevelopment projects in the United States. In this work he contributed materially to city planning in the Chicago area in his excellent professional viewpoint in the correlation of redevelopment planning to comprehensive city planning. His influence in this phase of Chicago's redevelopment will long be felt.

Following his services as Director of Planning for the Medical Center Commission, Mr. Wheeler continued to serve as consultant on Medical Center problems and additionally has rendered great service to the Chicago Plan Commission in the planning of community facilities and in continued liaison with the Medical Center Commission and University of Illinois.

Mr. Wheeler has additionally contributed to city planning in the Chicago Metropolitan Area through his diligent services as a member of the Wilmette Planning Board.

Mr. Wheeler's civic activities have also reflected well upon his profession through his extensive service in health activities in the Chicago Community Fund and Metropolitan Welfare Council, and in his voluntary relationships with the Chicago Plan Commission.

On the basis of these and similar contributions, I am pleased to recommend Mr. E. Todd Wheeler to your honorable Jury.

Very truly yours,

Frederick T. Aschman
Frederick T. Aschman
Executive Director

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15 December 1954



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

Re: E. Todd Wheeler, A.I.A.
~~Candidate for Fellowship.~~

Gentlemen:

It has been my privilege to have known Todd Wheeler ever since I first came to Chicago in 1933. From 1936 to 1944, he was in partnership with Lawrence B. Perkins, F.A.I.A., and the writer. The partnership was dissolved on the latter date for economic reasons. During the entire period I have known Todd, we have been close friends and I have cause but to accord him increasing respect over the years.

Todd Wheeler's great strengths are complete integrity, a creative imagination, and one of the finest analytical minds with which it has been my privilege to associate. Knowing him as well as I do, I am still awed by his development as a consultant in the hospital field and the substantial quantity of buildings in the planning of which he has held a guiding hand all over the country.

In my capacity as President of the Chicago Chapter, A.I.A., from 1952 through 1954, I had many occasions to call upon Todd for special services. He was always willing and able to serve with distinction. In particular, a recent study and evaluation of our Chapter program was in large part his work.

In speeches and in writing he has always given freely of his knowledge and skill. In an era when many architects' functions are being taken over by consultants with backgrounds derived from other disciplines, it is refreshing, but more important, it is strengthening to our profession to find one assuming leadership in hospital programming and consulting. Here is certainly one consultant of whom the Institute can be proud.

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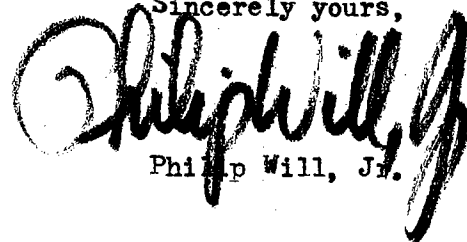
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In his own community of Wilmette, Illinois, he has been a leading citizen and the individual primarily responsible for the progress they have made in town planning. The very existence of the Wilmette Planning Board is due to his pioneering efforts as is its continuing success. His willingness to accept responsibility as a public service, even at great personal sacrifice, is testified by his service in the office of the Supervising Architect of the State of Illinois. For almost two years, Mr. Wheeler did a special job in the State at the request of Governor Adlai Stevenson, even though this had to be done at a considerable reduction in his personal income, including serious delay in the establishment of his own private consulting practice. This service involved no collateral benefits whatever to Mr. Wheeler other than enhancing his reputation as a responsible citizen.

It is rare that I speak with such conviction when I say that there are few members of our profession so deserving of honor at the hands of his profession and who will bear the title of Fellow with such distinction.

Sincerely yours,



Philip Will, Jr.

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NATHANIEL ALEXANDER OWINGS

December 14, 1954

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The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
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Gentlemen:

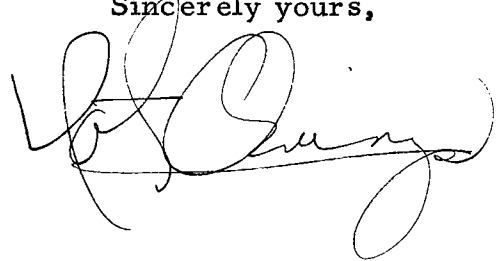
I most genuinely recommend E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship
in the American Institute of Architects.

I have known him since about 1925, both personally and professionally, and have been in contact with him, in one capacity or another, on a professional basis more or less continuously since that date. I have found him to represent the highest of standards, both ethically and technically.

Todd Wheeler has served the profession by acting and consulting in an advisory capacity to various segments of the lay public, particularly in the hospital field, with a judicial approach seldom found in our profession.

I believe it will be an honor for us to welcome him into the Fellowship, as well as it being an honor merited by Wheeler because of his distinguished career.

Sincerely yours,



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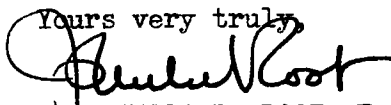
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Gentlemen:

I understand that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler has been nominated
for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by
the Chicago Chapter.

Mr. Wheeler's fine record of service in the State of Illinois
Supervising Architect's Office, at the University of Illinois,
on the Medical Center Commission and in his local community
qualify him, in my opinion, for advancement to Fellowship
for his contribution to public service.

Yours very truly,



JOHN WELLBORN ROOT, F.A.I.A.

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December 8, 1954

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

Gentlemen:

I am informed that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler has been nominated for a fellowship in the American Architects Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter.

I eagerly endorse his nomination. I have known Mr. Wheeler for many years. Indeed, he built a house for me fifteen years ago and rendered invaluable service to the Division of Architecture and Engineering while I was Governor of Illinois. I believe he merits your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Adlai E. Stevenson

Adlai E. Stevenson

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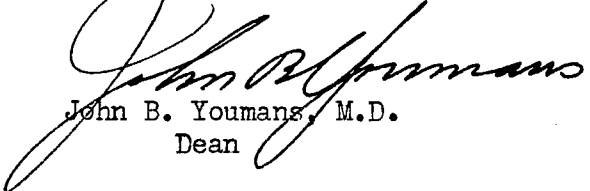
Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure and privilege to write to you concerning Mr. E. Todd Wheeler who, I understand, is being nominated for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter this year.

I have known Mr. Wheeler since 1946 and worked closely with him while I was at the University of Illinois College of Medicine as Dean and Medical Director of the Research and Educational Hospitals. I was very favorably impressed with his professional ability and also with him from an administrative and personal point of view. Later when I returned to Vanderbilt University I was instrumental in having Mr. Wheeler selected as consulting architect, laying out a long-term program of improvements and rehabilitation of the University's combined Medical School and Hospital Building. Again Mr. Wheeler's services were of a high order, his work most satisfactory.

I am very happy to support his nomination.

Sincerely yours,


John B. Youmans, M.D.
Dean

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December 3, 1954

The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
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Washington 6, D. C.

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Gentlemen:

I have been acquainted with Todd Wheeler for the past ten years and have been very impressed with his judgment, ability, and personality.

My acquaintanceship has been primarily through planning of hospital or medical school projects in which he has been associated with the architectural studies and I have participated in consultation.

I believe that Todd Wheeler is particularly competent in his ability to determine the basic requirements of the client, to pin these requirements down in a specific manner so that decisions of design can be made, and also to make the client really justify his requirements.

Todd Wheeler always appears to be considering the desires and needs of the client and identifies himself with the job so that you have the impression that he has the same personal interest as the owner himself. It is a very pleasing trait.

I would recommend Todd Wheeler as a Fellow in the American Institute of Architects without any qualifications whatsoever.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Albert W. Snoke, M.D.
Director

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Jury of Fellows
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Dear Sirs:

I am glad to submit this letter in support of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler's nomination for Fellowship in the Institute.

Todd Wheeler, after graduating with high honors in the Department of Architecture at the University of Illinois (followed by the winning of the Francis J. Plym Fellowship for European Study), became identified with several well known architectural firms in Chicago, and then became a partner in the original firm of Perkins, Wheeler and Will (1936-1944) - now Perkins and Will. He retired from this association to devote full time to research and a career as a consulting architect, in which he has gained a national reputation. His long list of notable achievements is included in his nomination form.

Over a period of years Mr. Wheeler has rendered distinguished service to the University of Illinois and to the Medical Center Commission in Chicago. He is today one of the country's best recognized consultants on planning hospitals and medical schools. He has had a clientele outside of Chicago that includes the University of Washington, Baylor University, Texas, U.C.L.A., of Los Angeles, Syracuse University, Vanderbilt, and others. He has collaborated with a number of well known architects on major projects.

Mr. Wheeler has also distinguished himself in public service for the State of Illinois, State Supervising Architect's office, the American Hospital Association, the Medical Center Commission, United Mine Workers of America, and in his own community as a member and officer of the Wilmette Planning Board since its formation in 1946.

He has been active in the Chicago Chapter for a number of years, serving on important committees, both in the Chapter and for the Institute. He has spoken on numerous occasions, along with contributing papers in his specialized fields.

I feel that E. Todd Wheeler is well qualified to be elevated to Fellowship in the Institute.

Sincerely yours,
Howard L. Cheney
Howard L. Cheney, F.A.I.A.

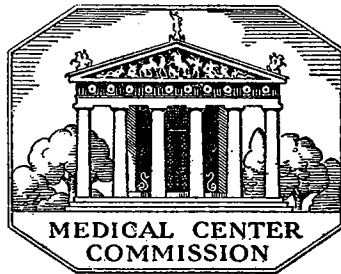
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December 1, 1954

The Jury of Fellows
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Gentlemen:

Mr. E. Todd Wheeler has been associated with the Medical Center Commission as Director of Planning from 1943 to 1950. Because of the demands for his architectural talents throughout the country, he has been, and he is now, serving the Medical Center Commission as a Consultant in planning since 1950. During these years Mr. Wheeler has exhibited great skill, vision and administrative ability in the planning and development of the Medical Center District.

My personal association with him has been most pleasant. His integrity and fine qualities as a gentleman are without question. I feel certain that he will prove to be a valuable member of your distinguished organization.

I appreciate this opportunity to commend Mr. Wheeler to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Walter H. Theobald, M.D.
President

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Chicago, Illinois
December 1, 1954

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Gentlemen:

I wish this to be the strongest letter I have ever written to you. If any man can ever be said to know another, then I can say that I know Mr. E. Todd Wheeler and endorse him for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects with every means and thought at my disposal.

We have been close friends since high school. We were in partnership from 1936 until World War II. We continue to do work together as the occasion warrants. We continue to see each other at home.

Mr. Wheeler has made a unique spot for himself in the profession -- in effect, as an architect's architect... as distinguished from a consultant. He has genuinely improved the hospital work of the many offices with whom he has worked on hospital projects. I think it is correct to say that his gift is in programming and organization of problems even more than in the architectural design to implement these programs. He has made himself sufficiently strong on the operating side of hospital work, as well as the architectural technique, that we would not willingly go into any hospital project without inviting him to share it with us.

Mr. Wheeler's bias is toward social service in its highest sense. His work on Plan Commission, Community Fund, Church and the Institute itself is done neither as a reluctant duty nor as calculating self-advancement. Each is the manifestation of a genuine concern and sense of responsibility.

Any statements about his character would be redundant following the paragraph above. It is probably more to the point to say that Mr. Wheeler is one of the most delightful persons with whom one could visit or go water color sketching (he's good) or traveling. I think this is fully as important as

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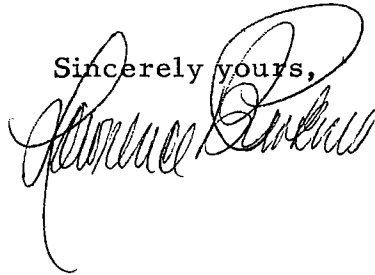
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some of the more solemn qualifications which can be derived from his very impressive record.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lawrence B. Perkins". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, looping initial "L".

Lawrence B. Perkins
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FLOYD A. NARAMORE
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November 30, 1954

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Washington 6, D. C.

Gentlemen:

This is in support of Mr. E. Todd Wheelers' nomination
for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects
by the Chicago Chapter.

I have known Mr. Wheeler a number of years in connection
with his work in the field of hospital planning. Mr. Wheeler
has contributed materially to the progress of design in this
complex building type. He has been a leader in the correlation
of programming and planning and has by seminars, discussion and
writing, been generous in giving help to the profession.

I am happy to recommend Mr. Wheeler to you for nomination as
Fellow in the American Institute of Architects.

Very truly yours,

Perry B. Johanson
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November 30, 1954

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Gentlemen:

I have known Todd Wheeler about 15 years and have worked with him on several projects.

I am happy to know that he is being nominated for Fellowship and want to say that I am in favor of his election.

Very truly yours,



W. H. Binford

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Gentlemen:

Attached is a letter dated November 30, 1954, in support of the nomination to Fellowship of E. Todd Wheeler.

This letter has been forwarded to me rather than to The Jury of Fellows; and if you would prefer that it be addressed to the Jury directly, please let me know and I will contact Dr. Klicka accordingly.

Very truly yours,

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William E. Hartmann

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Mr. William E. Hartmann
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Dear Mr. Hartmann:

I was very pleased to learn that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler is being nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter this year.

I have only known Mr. Wheeler since September 1. But in this brief time I have come to know him quite well. In Mr. Wheeler, I recognize a classic example of the "Gentlemen and a Scholar." As my consultant in the building program of the Presbyterian Hospital, he has been extremely valuable as he has assisted me in the development of our plans. Further, it is a credit to him that he works very well with the architectural firm of Burnham & Hammond who are our architects.

Even though my acquaintanceship with Mr. Wheeler is a brief one, I feel I know him well enough to strongly support his election to Fellowship. I know that he would be a credit to the American Institute of Architects.

Very sincerely yours,

K S Klicka

Karl S. Klicka, M.D.
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Gentlemen:

At the request of Mr. William E. Hartmann, I am writing you in support of the nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

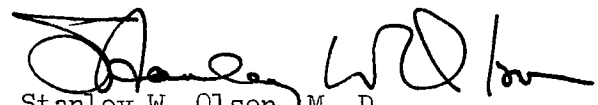
From 1950 to 1953, I worked closely with Mr. Wheeler in my capacity as Dean of the College of Medicine of the University of Illinois. During this time Mr. Wheeler was the consulting architect to the Chicago Professional Colleges and assistant to the vice president of the University. I have continued my contact with Mr. Wheeler since coming to Baylor University College of Medicine and have had occasion to utilize his services as a consultant to the new City-County Hospital which is being built adjoining the medical school.

I have the highest opinion of Mr. Wheeler's ability in the educational and hospital planning field. He has a keen insight into the functional requirements of these institutions and translates this knowledge into functional planning. He has good administrative ability and knows how to move projects from the preliminary stages on through to completion, with particular regard for the opinions and requirements for the professional personnel who will occupy a completed building.

Mr. Wheeler is a pleasant person who is inclined to be more modest than his position and responsibilities would dictate. He has the highest integrity and is, in every sense of the word, dedicated to the advancement of his fellow man by rendering expert service in the humanitarian fields of medicine and education. I have been in his home and have met his family. His home is simple and unassuming as he himself is. His wife is an intelligent person who shares his idealism.

Mr. Wheeler, in his professional field, has a deep understanding of people and has unselfishly devoted himself to the welfare of others. I am pleased to number him among my friends.

Yours sincerely,


Stanley W. Olson, M. D.
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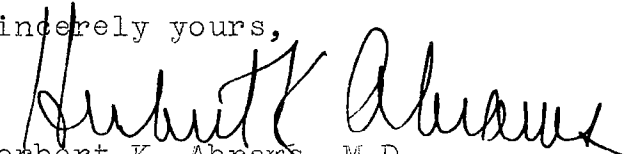
I am glad to have the opportunity to write in support of the nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects.

For the past two years, Mr. Wheeler has been assisting the group with which I am associated in planning for a union health center in Chicago. This will be an out-patient clinic staffed by a group of physicians providing comprehensive medical care to about 15,000 people. We have come to rely upon Mr. Wheeler's sound judgment and sincere interest in the proper development of our program. He has been most helpful to us in evaluating existing properties and will continue to guide us in programing and architecture, as we now proceed with plans for the construction of a new building.

Mr. Wheeler's combination of architectural competence with interest in and knowledge of the dynamic developments occurring in the field of medical care is remarkable.

I earnestly commend him to your favorable consideration.

Sincerely yours,


Herbert K. Abrams, M.D.

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Gentlemen:

I have been given the opportunity to write in support of the nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects. I deem this an honor and at the same time a responsibility.

I have known Mr. Wheeler for about twelve years and knew of him for a few years prior to that. Our acquaintance originated through mutual undertakings in the interest of the Village in which we both live, Wilmette, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. At that time I was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Village and in 1945 became the Village President, which office I held for eight years.

The mutual undertaking to which I refer was one of meeting the growing need for public improvements and to arrest the trend toward deterioration which had set in in our community. Mr. Wheeler was the unanimous choice of all of us who sought expert help with our problems and he was the first appointment to a Planning Board created in 1947.

The results of this undertaking are evident in the new public facilities that came about as a result of a referendum on an unprecedented bond issue held early in 1948. Mr. Wheeler's contribution to the success cannot be measured. It was a contribution not only of skill and judgment, but of tremendous time and effort, the like of which has not been equaled in my experience.

He is still a member of the Planning Board of the Village and could well have been its Chairman any or all of the years from its inception had not circumstances made that appear unwise in the best interests of the cause.

I have also had occasional contact with some of his professional pursuits. Of those you have more reliable information undoubtedly, but I have found no instance of anything but outstanding performance in his profession. Moreover, that is his reputation as I have learned from many sources.

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Nov. 30, 1954.

For the past year I have also had the privilege of association with Mr. Wheeler on the Board of Directors of The Eleanor Association of this city. This is an Association of more than 50 years standing, which, with the aid of substantial endowments, operates homes for working women in the lower income groups. To this Association he is now contributing his sound judgment and advice in the conduct of its affairs, including the construction at the moment of a new million dollar home.

I have served as a member of the Health Reviewing Committee of the Chicago Community Fund for the past two years under the Chairmanship of Mr. Wheeler. Here he has shown a breadth of knowledge, understanding and ability far beyond the requirements of his profession.

I also know his wife Lora and daughter Mary and with my family exchange visits in the home of each other. The Wheeler family in its second generation in Wilmette is a highly respected one.

If the foregoing does not indicate it, I assure you that I consider Mr. Wheeler an outstanding personality. I hope what I have written may be of value to you in your consideration of him. If I can be of further help, you have only to let me know.

Respectfully yours,



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Gentlemen:

There is attached a letter dated November 29, 1954, from
Warren F. Draper, M. D., Executive Medical Officer, United
Mine Workers of America, Welfare and Retirement Fund.

This letter has been forwarded to me in connection with the
nomination of E. Todd Wheeler, A.I.A., for Fellowship in the
Institute.

Please inform me if it is desirable that I ask Dr. Draper to
address his letter directly to you, and I will be happy to do so.

Cordially yours,


William E. Hartmann

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November 29, 1954

Mr. William E. Hartmann
c/o Skidmore, Owings and Merrill
100 West Monroe Street
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Dear Mr. Hartmann:

In response to your letter of November 23, 1954, with "Data on Nominee E. Todd Wheeler" attached, I take pleasure in providing the following supporting information.

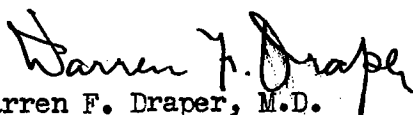
Mr. Wheeler has served as Consultant to the Memorial Hospital Association and the U.M.W.A. Welfare and Retirement Fund since 1952. The project and Mr. Wheeler's participation are as described on page 7 of the statement you submitted.

Throughout the period of our association with Mr. Wheeler, we have found him to be a man of highest character and integrity, outstanding professional skill, and of invaluable assistance in our building project.

The Director of the Fund and my colleagues and I, who are directly responsible for the success of the hospital building program, are of the opinion that Mr. Wheeler is the ablest and most reliable authority in his field that could possibly have been procured. Our confidence and respect have steadily mounted as the complexities involved in such a program have required his consideration.

I would support him unreservedly for the Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects for which he may be eligible.

Sincerely yours,


Warren F. Draper, M.D.
Executive Medical Officer

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Gentlemen:

I am pleased to write this letter in enthusiastic endorsement of the nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler of the Chicago Chapter for advancement to Fellowship in The Institute. I have known Mr. Wheeler for over ten years, and from my personal acquaintanceship, believe him to be deserving of this honor.

The list of his professional attainments which accompanies his nomination is testimony of his professional standing. In addition, he has been active in public service and advancement of planning, particularly in the hospital field.

He is a man of highest personal character and ideals, and it would be a pleasure to welcome him as a Fellow of The Institute.

Sincerely yours,


Norman J. Schlossman, F.A.I.A.

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RE: MR. E. TODD WHEELER

Gentlemen:

It has been called to my attention that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler is being considered for nomination for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter.

At the inception of our work on the University of California Medical Center, Los Angeles, in 1948, it was our pleasure to have Mr. Wheeler work with us in studying and laying out certain phases of this project.

During the period of our working with Mr. Wheeler, we found him to be fully conversant with the many details and requirements of hospital planning, and I feel confident that he has contributed much to our profession in his work on hospitals, clinics, etc.

I sincerely wish to recommend Mr. Wheeler to Fellowship and would like to urge that his nomination be considered favorably by your honorable body.

Very truly yours,

WELTON BECKET, F.A.I.A., ARCHITECT

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The Jury of Fellows
The American Institute of Architects
1741 New York Avenue, N. W.
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Gentlemen:

It is my privilege to support the nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects. Mr. Wheeler has made a very real contribution to our program and I am happy to give the Jury of Fellows a brief account of this activity which has engaged a considerable proportion of his time for almost three years.

In the fall of 1951 the Trustees of the United Mine Workers of America Welfare and Retirement Fund authorized the loaning of funds to the Memorial Hospital Associations of Kentucky, West Virginia and Virginia to enable these newly organized nonprofit corporations to construct and operate a network of hospitals in the coal fields of southeastern Kentucky, southern West Virginia, and southwestern Virginia. Shortly thereafter, I became the Medical Administrator of these three Associations. Our mandate was to build and prepare to operate ten general hospitals with a total of approximately 1,000 beds. Planning had extended little beyond the selection of certain sites for the hospitals when it became evident that it would be helpful to us to engage the services of an experienced consultant. Early in 1952, we selected Mr. Wheeler as our consultant and were happy to reach an agreement with him whereby he devoted approximately one-third of his time to our project for a period of over two years. Since the completion of our regular contract with him, he has continued to serve the Welfare and Retirement Fund as a consultant for the purpose of helping to supervise construction and to participate in the budgetary control process.

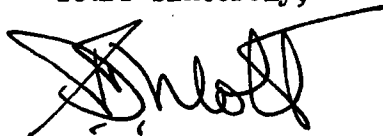
Aside from helping us with the selection of certain final sites for the hospitals, Mr. Wheeler's principal contribution during the early stages of our program was that of preparing a written program to govern the facilities to be developed in each of ten different general hospitals, ranging in size from approximately fifty to two hundred beds. While this program has been subject to some change since its original formulation, it has guided us and our three firms of architects throughout the construction program up to this date. As the architects undertook their assignments, Mr. Wheeler

has helped us with the process of coordinating the work of three firms of architects, with the review of schematic plans, with the review of preliminary plans, and, to some extent, with the review of final working drawings.

One of our problems concerned the method of carrying out the building program. With Mr. Wheeler's help, we decided to select a builder and carry out the construction program on a cost-plus-fixed-fee basis. Mr. Wheeler was of great help to us in effecting the careful selection of a reliable builder and in formulating a contract which would respect the rights and interests of the owner.

While I have mentioned the principal ways in which Mr. Wheeler has been of direct assistance to us, I have not dealt with countless smaller ways in which we have benefited by his advice and help over the entire construction period. His knowledge of the field of architecture has been of great value to us and of hardly less importance has been his unique experience in coordinating large projects involving a number of institutions and an integrated program. Mr. Wheeler brings to a task such as ours an almost unique experience of this kind which cannot help but result in direct and indirect benefits to the responsible agency.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. D. Mott', with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

F. D. Mott, M.D.
Medical Administrator

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November 29, 1954

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

Gentlemen:

This letter is addressed to you in behalf of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler who I understand is being nominated for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter.

I have known Todd for several years and have worked very closely with him during the development of the United Mine Workers of American hospital program, as well as on another voluntary hospital in Connecticut. During this period I have learned to know him from both the professional angle and as a person.

I think that the Chicago Chapter should be congratulated upon recognizing his outstanding ability as an architect, as demonstrated in the particular and difficult field which he has chosen in so many of his projects, being that of an architectural consultant. He has one of the most analytical minds with which I have ever come in contact; at the same time his ability for keeping on the track and for coordinating the many elements of a building project with sympathy and understanding of the personalities involved is outstanding.

In addition to working with Todd on these specific projects I have come in personal contact with him on various committees of the American Hospital Association as well as the American Institute of Architects, and his willingness to assume more than his share in any such committee work deserves high praise and recognition.

I cannot recommend Mr. Wheeler too highly for Fellowship in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Aaron N. Kiff

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November 29, 1954

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

Gentlemen:

I have been informed that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler is being nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter. I am writing you this letter about his qualifications.

Mr. Wheeler is a man of excellent character and habits and supports and practices the highest ideals. He is neat in personal appearance, is dignified and mature in bearing, speech, and behavior. He possesses a pleasing personality, is well-liked, and of the modest unaggressive type of person. He is the type in whom confidence and good judgment is easily and prudently placed. This explains the reason why he has rendered and is rendering so many important public services. His time is in great demand for public service.

As Vice-President of the University of Illinois, I raised something over \$25,000,000 for new facilities and remodeling of the Colleges of the Health Professions of the University in Chicago. Mr. Wheeler served as my architectural consultant and administrative advisor in all this construction. Also, as a Member of the State Medical Center Commission in Chicago for the development of the West Side Medical Center Park and as a person vitally interested in the development of this Medical Center, I know of the outstanding personal contributions of Mr. Wheeler to the architectural planning and the promotion of the developments of the Medical Center. I also followed his work in the Architectural Office of the State of Illinois, because I recommended him to Governor Adlai Stevenson as a very competent architect with an impregnable integrity and the same time unusual prudence, tact, and loyalty.

Thus, I have had occasion to see him work under varying conditions and have come to realize that he is an extraordinary person not only professionally in the field of architecture but also in the field of public service.

Yours sincerely,

A. C. Ivy
A. C. Ivy, Ph.D., M.D.

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Dear Sirs:

My attention has been called to the fact that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler is being nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter this year. I should like to take this opportunity to testify to some aspects of Mr. Wheeler's public service in a field other than the field of architecture. I refer to the field of community health planning in which the Health Division of the Welfare Council of Metropolitan Chicago has a vital interest.

As chairman for a number of years of the Reviewing Committee on health agency budgets of the Community Fund of Chicago, Mr. Wheeler contributed generously large blocks of time to a vital community activity. He helped with the distribution of more than a million dollars of community funds annually among some 30 hospitals, clinics, and other health agencies. His leadership, as chairman of the committee, was outstanding. He obtained effective committee participation. In this activity he displayed remarkable ability in analyzing program, as well as financial factors of the agencies to which the Community Fund allocated funds.

Mr. Wheeler is playing a leading part in the Committee on Hospital and Clinic facilities for the Medically Indigent of the Welfare Council's Health Division. As chairman of a sub-committee he directed the formulation of a tentative over all community plan for hospital and clinic facilities for the medically indigent to serve as a basis for detailed and full committee consideration. His clear thinking, his understanding of sound principles of community organization for the care of the medically indigent, and his good judgment in how to bring about desired results have been tremendously helpful to the committee.

I should like to mention just one other example of his contribution to community health planning. As a result of

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efforts of the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry and the Welfare Council, he is one of the recent additions to the Board of Directors of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Chicago. This organization has been experiencing considerable difficulties in establishing a sound organization and program. The addition of Mr. Wheeler, together with three others, was intended to strengthen the Board of Directors of the UCPA. In his short period of service, Mr. Wheeler has already demonstrated his helpfulness in the work of the agency.

We in the Welfare Council are most grateful for the high sense of public service, the quality of leadership, and the integrity of purpose and competence which Mr. Wheeler brings to community health planning.

I am delighted to add this testimony in his behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Alexander Ropchan
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Gentlemen:

I understand that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler is being nominated for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter this year.

I am in charge of the budgeting operations of the Community Fund of Chicago. Mr. E. Todd Wheeler served as the Chairman of our Health Reviewing Committee and is at the present time a member of our central Budget Committee and of our Policy Committee.

I have been in charge of the budgeting of the Community Fund since its inception and have worked with many chairmen. Mr. Wheeler demonstrated a unique capacity for leadership in the Health Reviewing Committee. It is perhaps one of our most difficult fields in that we budget not only clinics and general health agencies but allocate toward the cost of a certain number of free beds in voluntary hospitals. The problems in this field are tremendous, and the scope is difficult for a layman to encompass. Mr. Wheeler not only evidenced great understanding of the problems in the field but was able to lead his committee into a better understanding of the problems confronting the field and to assist them in arriving at decisions regarding the use of Fund money to the greatest advantage. This is no small feat in view of the fact that the Community Fund is always short of funds with which to meet even the minimum needs of the agencies. Mr. Wheeler displayed almost a genius for getting people to work together. When he was the Chairman of the Health Reviewing Committee the attendance at the committee meetings was better than it has ever been; the participation on the part of committee members was excellent. He has a sense of humor which time and again came to our rescue in very tense situations.

Although having a very good grasp of detail, he never became lost in the detail. Time and time again he pulled the attention of the committee back to over-all problems confronting the health field and showed the relationship of the specific situation we were confronting to the over-all problem.

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I felt that he was such an outstanding individual that he should be moved on to the Central Budget Committee of the Fund and expect at some future time that he can be utilized in other important places in the Fund.

As you would gather from the above statements, we at the Community Fund feel very fortunate in being associated with Mr. Wheeler and would like to join with others in supporting his nomination for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter this year.

Very sincerely yours,

Linn Brandenburg
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Gentlemen:

I understand that Mr. E. Todd Wheeler is being considered for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects, having been nominated by the Chicago Chapter. I hope it is proper for me to convey to you my opinion of Mr. Wheeler's qualifications derived from personal contact with him over a period of a number of years.

Mr. Wheeler collaborated with me in the preparation of the preliminary design, planning and cost estimate in connection with a multi-million dollar medical school campus. His work on this project indicated a thorough knowledge of efficient design and construction and he was of invaluable assistance to me as a consultant in every phase of the work.

I also had the pleasure of being in contact with Mr. Wheeler in connection with his work on the Medical Center of the City of Chicago and as a consultant architect for the University of Illinois. I had frequent opportunities of meeting with Mr. Wheeler at professional gatherings and I have heard him speak on architectural subjects during conventions.

I consider Mr. Wheeler to be a high-grade gentleman, enjoying the confidence and respect of all those who come in contact with him, and it is my opinion that he is well qualified for your consideration for Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects.

Yours very truly,

A. Epstein
A. Epstein, President

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Gentlemen

The nomination of Mr. E. Todd Wheeler for Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects by the Chicago Chapter this year is most gratifying to me. In my wide acquaintance with architects throughout the nation who are particularly active in the field of hospital planning, I know of no one more deserving nor one upon whom this honor could more appropriately be bestowed. This recognition of Mr. Wheeler's distinguished career within our profession and of his public service would enhance the significance of Fellowship.

Prior to joining the headquarters staff of the American Hospital Association, I had known Mr. Wheeler by reputation. In recent years I have come to know him well. As a member of one of our most important committees, he has served as principal author of our forthcoming manual which we expect to publish next year as a guide to hospital planning. At my invitation he has also served as a member of the faculty of several institutes relating to hospital planning which included as students many fellow architects as well as hospital administrators and board members. Also he was appointed chairman of the Screening Jury for our Architectural Exhibit of Hospitals which our association presented in cooperation with the American Institute of Architects in connection with our annual convention last September.

Through my many contacts with Mr. Wheeler I have come to hold in high esteem his integrity, wisdom, unselfish effort and qualities of leadership. I sincerely appreciate this opportunity to endorse his nomination to Fellowship.

Sincerely yours



Clifford Wolfe, A.I.A., Secretary
Council on Hospital Planning
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Gentlemen:

This communication is sent you in behalf of the nomination to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects of E. Todd Wheeler. You are advised that I, as one of the nominators of Mr. Wheeler, have known this Architect for the past approximate fifteen years. For the past ten years I have been familiar with Mr. Wheeler's work as Director of Planning of the Medical Center Commission of Chicago and as consultant on the planning of hospitals and medical schools. Mr. Wheeler during this entire period has meticulously maintained the status of the architectural profession in high regard and has served the public and the profession with accuracy and diligence.

It is my firm opinion that Mr. Wheeler is worthy of serious consideration to become a Fellow in The American Institute of Architects.

Very truly yours,

Paul Gerhard F.A.I.A.

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Gentlemen:

Mr. E. Todd Wheeler has been of great value as a public servant, using his architectural training to further many great causes in and around Chicago and Illinois. I should especially recommend him for Fellowship for his achievement in public service.

It is surprising to learn that Mr. Wheeler has been on so many boards and committees, some of which might be listed as follows:

1. Wilmette Planning Board

For eight years in connection with plans for the entire village of 19,000 with regard to major improvements, community buildings, village garages, schools, parks, library, etc.

2. Chicago Community Fund

For four years, with reference to the Health Reviewing Committee of the Fund in connection with the allocation of money annually to thirteen hospitals, ten clinics and eight general health agencies.

3. American Hospital Association

For eight years a personal member of the Association as speaker, panel member or chairman on the educational sessions on planning and operations.

4. Welfare Council of Chicago

With special attention toward a study of the care of the indigent.

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5. The Eleanor Association

A member of the board of this Association which owns and operates five residential clubs for about 500 girls in Chicago.

6. United Cerebral Palsy, Chicago

A member of this board and executive committee with reference to grants in this critical field of the palsied.

7. The University of Illinois in Chicago

As a consulting architect for over ten years.

8. Medical Center Commission

As Director of Planning and for a year executive director, from 1943 to 1950, and since then as a consultant on planning.

9. Architectural Assistant to the State Architect


As assistant to Mr. C. Herrick Hammond, Supervising Architect, for fifteen months in charge of the general programming and budgeting of various items in connection with contracts for the State of Illinois construction program, which at that time totaled about 125 million with definite studies of arrangements to have practicing architects design the major work.

10. Mine Workers' Hospitals

Consultant with regard to a group of ten Mine Workers' Hospitals built in Eastern Kentucky by the Memorial Hospital Association of Kentucky, writing the programs, helping to select locations and to aid preliminary planning and coordination of the work of the firms of architects involved.

Such extensive service as the above certainly merits consideration of the highest kind by our Institute, and I most warmly recommend Mr. Wheeler for your attention and nomination for Fellowship.

Yours very sincerely,


William Jones Smith, FAIA

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