J. Norman Hunter*, FCSI

“In recognition of your distinguished and dedicated service to the Institute, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on this 6th day of May, 1959.”

Chicago, Illinois

J. NORMAN HUNTER was born in New Zealand. He came to the United States in 1929, and practiced architecture in the New York-New Jersey area for 11 years before moving to California. After moving to California, he became one of the first specifications consultants in that part of the country.

In 1953, Hunter helped form the Southern California Chapter, (later the Los Angeles Chapter) and served two terms as its president. By the end of 1955, CSI had eight chapters, four of them in California.

In 1956, Norman Hunter was elected to the National Board of Directors. The following year he was elected to the first of two terms as Institute President.

During his two terms as Institute President, CSI underwent a period of spectacular growth to 22 chapters in major cities. Hunter was responsible for establishing the first permanent Institute staff. The first Institute Convention was held in Washington, DC, in May of 1957, during his first term as President. The first standing committees were formed, and the Institute was divided into 12 regions.

Following Hunter's death, the Institute created the prestigious "J. Norman Hunter Memorial Award" to be given for outstanding efforts in the continuing education of construction specifiers.

Hunter passed away on 24 May 1958.

CSI Membership
Southern California Chapter, 1953 - 1959

Institute Offices, Committees
Institute Director, 1956
President, 1957-1958

Chapter Offices, Committees
President, 1953-1954