Benjamin M. Gruzen*, FCSI

"In recognition of your service to the Institute, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on this 31st day of May, 1967"
Miami, Florida



BENJAMIN MACSON GRUZEN was born in Chelsea, Massachusetts in 1910. He attended both Boston University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, graduating with a degree in architecture. He was a licensed professional engineer in New Jersey, and a registered architect in New York, New Jersey, and Maryland.

Benjamin first joined the firm of Kelly and Gruzen in 1938. During World War II he served with the 96th Naval Construction Battalion in the Pacific, planning and executing heavy construction projects for naval installation in the Philippines.

After the war, he rejoined Kelly & Gruzen as associate in charge of construction supervision, directing the inspection and administration of all work under construction.

Gruzen joined the group of CSI members who applied for the first chapter charter in New York in 1951. He later served the chapter as President.

Gruzen also was active in many other professional organizations. He was president of the Newark Chapter of the New Jersey Society of Architects, and served as chair of the Office Practice Committee of the New Jersey Society of Architects. He served on the national AIA committee on specifications. In 1964 he was awarded the AIA Bronze Certificate of Appreciation.

Gruzen passed away on 17 March 1986, in Santa Clara, California.

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Charter Member, Metro New York Chapter, 1951

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