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BIOGRAPHY

Frank Davenport Hill grew up in Port Augusta, attending the local primary and high schools. His first employment was gained as a clerk in the Federal Public Service, followed by a similar position in the SA Public Service. He studied architecture at the SA School of Mines and Industries from 1954 to 1957 and completed an architectural thesis at the SA Institute of Technology in 1987. In 1956 he joined the architectural practice of Lawson Cheesman and Doley as a draftsman, remaining with that practice until 1978. In 1970 he was appointed an Associate of the practice, and in 1973 became the Technical Office Manager, responsible for approximately 80 technical staff. During this period he worked on project documentation, contract administration and co-ordination of documentation and consultants for projects such as, the Guardian Assurance building, BP House, the Napier Building at the University of Adelaide, the Social Sciences building and Halls of Residence at Flinders University, the Australian Mineral Foundation Centre and the Flinders Medical Centre.

Following the closure of Cheesman Doley Neighbour and Raffin in July 1978 he joined the newly established Neighbour and Lapsys as an Associate. In September 1978 Frank Hill was appointed Assistant to the Director Project Architect and Office Manager for Stephenson and Turner, Hong Kong where the practice was engaged on the 1600-bed teaching hospital, the Prince of Wales Hospital in Sha Tin for the Government of Hong Kong. Frank Hill worked a brief period as an architect in 1981 for the State Transport Authority and then as an Architect and Office Manager for Rod Roach. In May 1982 he was invited to join Raffin Maron Architects Pty Ltd as an Associate where he was responsible for the documentation of the new Terminal Building at Darwin Airport, the Museum of Australia Repository at Canberra, education buildings at Roseworthy Agricultural College, and the Law and Commerce buildings at Flinders University among others. During 1985 Frank Hill travelled overseas on a study tour of the USA, Sweden, Germany and Switzerland to consult with a number of operators of major airport terminals, the report of which was subsequently published.

In July 1987 Frank Hill was Registered as an Architect by the Architects Board of South Australia. Also in 1987 he was elected an Associate of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects and elevated to a Fellow in 1994. He served as a councillor for the RAI A and between 1990 and 1994 was Chairman of the RAI A SA Chapter Practice Committee. Frank Hill has lectured at the University of Adelaide Faculty of Architecture on working drawings and was Chairman of the Curriculum Advisory Committee at the School of Building at Marlston TAFE from 1975 to 1978. Frank Hill has been extremely active in the Scouting movement, both as a Scout Master and in various committee roles. He was the Vice President of the Scout Association of SA in 1980 and a member of the Executive Committee from 1981 to 1990.

SOURCE

Curriculum Vitae of Frank Davenport Hill, FRAIA

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COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection is comprised of the Office Manual of Cheesman Doley Neighbour and Raffin written by Frank Hill; the Office Manual written specifically for the Flinders Medical Centre job and a copy of the standard specification for the Flinders Medical Centre job; a copy of a drawing of the Bonython Hall turret at Adelaide University completed by Frank Hill while he was an architectural student; and copies of documents relating to the now demolished Exhibition Building, North Terrace, Adelaide.

Series List

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S296/2	Cheesman Doley Neighbour and Raffin, Flinders Medical Centre Standard Specification
S296/3	Cheesman Doley Neighbour and Raffin, Office Manual 1976 written by Frank Hill
S296/4/1-4	Digital printouts of photographs of Exhibition Building, North Terrace, Adelaide
S296/5	Copy of pencil rendering of Bonython Hall turret, Adelaide University
S296/6	Digital copy of Napier Building site, Exhibition building footprint shown, North Terrace (original held by Adelaide University)