

themselves successfully, a suit tying up that much money would delay the apartment house project and perhaps terminate it entirely. The home owners also were interested in speed, so that when the attorneys for both sides proposed arbitration, they readily accepted the suggestion.

With the assistance of the AAA, a three-man arbitration panel was chosen, and, only a few weeks after the submission to arbitration was filed with the AAA, the first hearing was held. After the hearings and a visit to the development, the arbitrators were prepared to render their award. They found that the contracting organization was at fault in some instances. They directed the company to finish the specified repair work with a set time limit or to refund money to the home owners who could then call in outside contractors to do the work. Although the builders lost the arbitration, they gained the use of funds that otherwise would have been tied up indefinitely and so were able to continue their plans to expand operations.

7. Other uses for arbitration—The advantages of AAA arbitration—speed, economy, privacy, convenience, also applies to other kinds of controversy, such as those arising from partnership agreements and individual employment contracts.

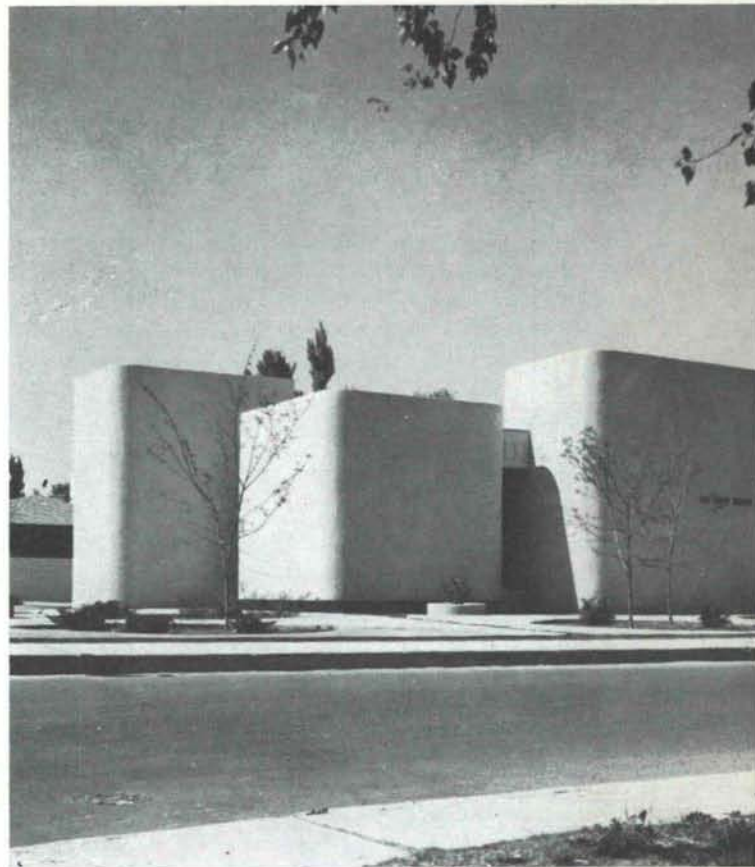
Not long ago the American Bar Association distributed a handbook advising attorneys on procedures to follow and cautions to observe in setting up law firms. The handbook contains a recommendation that partnership agreements contain a clause providing for arbitration, under AAA rules, of certain kinds of disputes that may arise. Architects may also find it practical to include arbitration provisions in their partnership agreements.

As evidenced by the examples stated in this article, arbitration can be beneficial to everyone involved in the construction industry, as well as to those who rely on the construction industry to build buildings for them. Even though arbitration is an acceptable procedure in New Mexico, it would behoove us to work to have modern arbitration statutes adopted in New Mexico, and to use arbitration whenever required.

American Arbitration Services, formerly provided in New Mexico from the Dallas regional office, have been transferred to the Phoenix office. The address of the Phoenix office is: American Arbitration Association, 132 South Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004. The Regional Director is Paul A. Newnham.

—Joe Boehning, AIA.

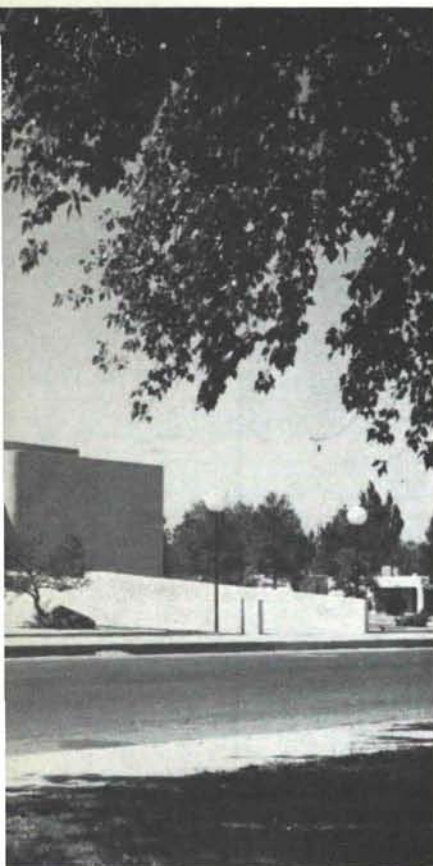
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1. San Pedro Branch Library, Albuquerque.
John Reed—Architect

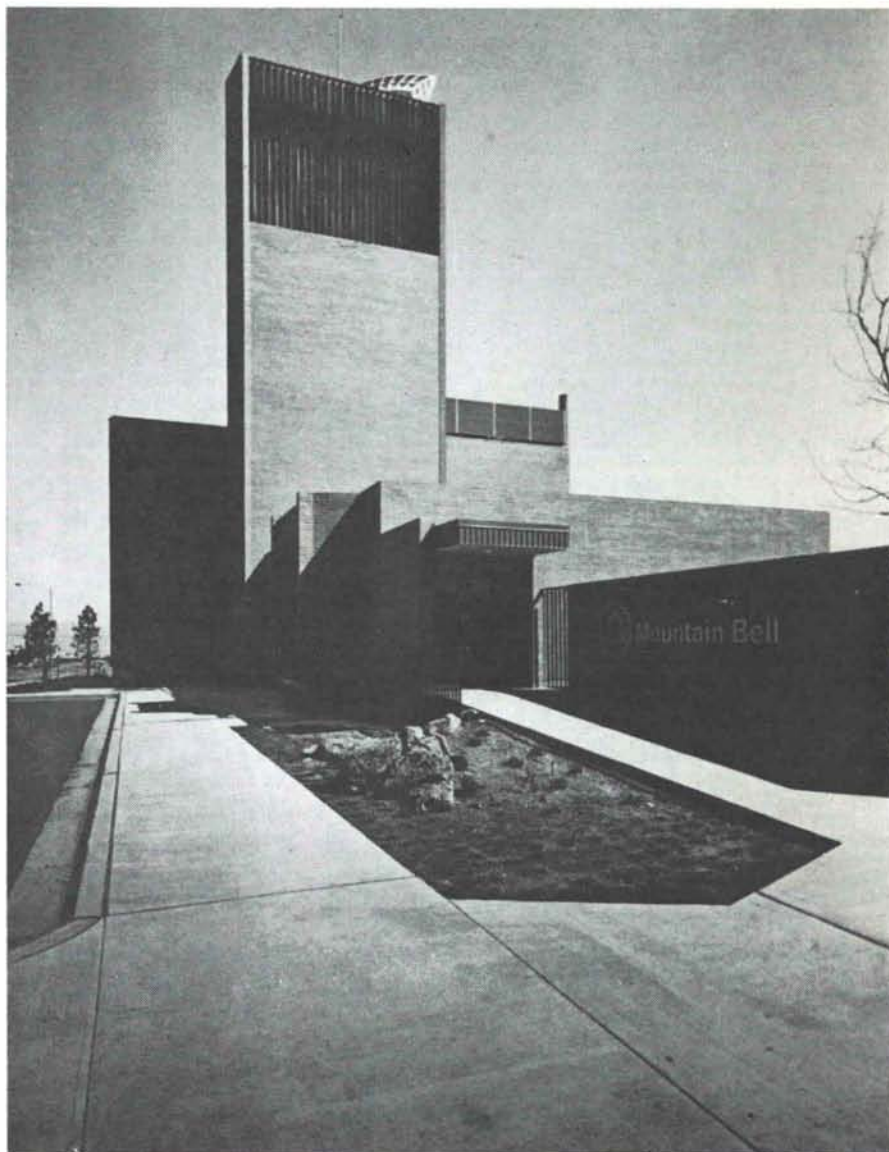


THE NEW MEXICO SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS



2. Addition to the Biology Building, U.N.M.
—Albuquerque
Flatow, Moore, Bryan
and Fairburn
—Architects

3. Los Alamos Main Exchange Complex, Mountain Bell.
Ferguson, Stevens, Mallory and Pearl—Architects



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1970 HONOR AWARDS — NMSA.

To:

Robert B. Riley, AIA and
George C. Pearl, AIA

for:

Tajique, Torreon, Manzano, Punta
de Aqua — A Planning Framework
for Revitalization.

A report prepared for the Center for
Environmental Research and Develop-
ment of the University of New
Mexico.



To:

The Ovenwest Corporation and Antoine Predock, AIA, Architect

for:

The La Luz Apartment Complex, Albuquerque

This award was given for the significant contribu-
tion made by this complex in creating a better en-
vironment for man.

