

Roimín Coanta

11/RB/4251

Carolán Mrs. Isabella M.

110 Seafield Road, Clontarf, Dublin.

(in respect of husband, Michael)

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D.P./9293.

To—THE MILITARY SERVICE
REGISTRATION BOARD.

V.A.P.51.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit the accompanying application of

Mrs. Isabella Carolan, 110, Seafield Road,

Blontarf, Dublin

for investigation and certificate in accordance with Section 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932, as amended by Section 15 of the Army Pensions Act, 1937, and the Regulations made thereunder.

Date.....*February* 19*40*

A.S. RUNAL

MINUTE
LETTER

Ref. No.

R.C. 2.

Drafted by

S. Neill, The Cottage, Cuckinbrook,
Fosterlington, Leeds.
Joe Griffin, Rosyfield,
To... ~~Harry...~~
(for approval) ~~Forrook~~
S. Malley
Bunnsdale House,
Rasport.
Approved.....

Gen. Inv. 8 50-5 to applicant
Remind applt.
Issue Dis. Terms to Sean O'Neill, P.K. Throtherry,
E. Malloy & Joe Griffin
Form to Mater Hosp. - treatment April 1950.
Done 1/14/50

13/2/50

Passes 1/5
31/7/50

9/4/50

To Typist

To.....

Room No.....
(for signature)

Signed.....

To Registry (for dispatch)

After dispatch

To:

Ask applt. to call her.
Form to Dr. McCallagh with covering memo
asking for parts of dec's 1916 service
& imprisonment with to Joe. Doherty
asking for full parts of reg was res.
tyed. - 1921.
Form also to Mater Hosp. - July 1922
Forms to Richmond & Mercers. Hosp.
Form & letter to Dr. McCallagh
letter to J. Doherty 1/14/50

21/4/50

1/14/50

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Ref. No. II 4251 Name Thos J Barolan

A.P. 51-4 (b).
A.P. 52-7 (b).
Disease.



QUERIES:

1. Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command?

Deceased did not serve with my command. I understand he succeeded me in July/Aug. 1922

2. In what capacity did deceased serve?

3. In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service?

4. Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—

(a) Nature of the disease

(b) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

5. Was deceased engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, give the following particulars:—

(a) Nature of the military activities in which deceased was engaged.

(b) Was deceased attached to an A.S.U. and, if so, during what periods?

(c) Was deceased on the run, and if so, during what periods?

(d) Nature of the hardships undergone by deceased during his military service, e.g., irregular meals, wettings, sleeping in dug-outs or in the open.

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

(e) Was deceased imprisoned or interned at any time, and if so, during what periods and in what Prison or Camp?

(f) Was deceased on hunger strike, and if so, for how long?

in view of reply to no. 9 I am unable to give this information

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6. Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service.

7. Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment.

8. Date of death of deceased

9. Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

I knew the deceased and I have knowledge that his health was very seriously impaired. I had no official contact with deceased prior to my capture in July/Aug. 1922. I am aware that he acted as my successor as Director of Intelligence. I feel that the record of deceased could, with little difficulty, be vouched for by Dr. Frank Aiken, T.D. and Dr. Eoin O'Malley.

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature

Organisation and Rank

Address

Date

25/4/40

Sgoth Naisiúnna Buaicallí

Chiam Molain

1ae Míse

9. 8. 40



le cara

Re Michael Carolan.

Tá brón orm gura fág mé
freagairt do chúis curseann comfada
sin gair, aís ní rabí leas agham air.
Tá an t-uram mísiúite amúda orm
agus ní feidir leam lán a leigint
airte - aís seo a bfuil d'olais agham
fa'n áist

h aiscríobáidí de P. K. S. 6
téaltairse de deí na Ceire Curseanna
bí sé na Dúrlonae 0% 3^{ad} Roinn
ó tuaró. Zlac mise a áir imbeal-
pearsde agus d'fág sin nó sean-áir
má Du. Ady. Tolain. Sin ghuac 1 1922.

Tairisí Michael Carolan agham
le amáin le leir oifigáir o na
Ceire Curseanna a ráibí go rabí
sé aís agham agham le beir n-a Du.
Ady imbealtairse de mbéaró
a malar d'ordúirte aise.

Ní rabí sé 16^{ad} agham
gura h aiscríobáidí agham go baile
áic Chai é. (bfeidir mé nó dá mé)
ní bíos agham go annce carde tug

arais é aze bír mé cunne sua
arshuigí orfíamail a bír ann,
Toda do ulig, deartana ider
Aibreán 1922 agus an zionscúic
adheari ar na Búic Curceanna
saincá na bliadna sin.

Seo abhul ar m' eolas
agus is cuma cein meabruigí
a gnuim ar an síal ní
féidh lam eolas níos cruinne
a ~~is~~ óranáin tuit.

Le meas mór

Seán Pádraig Ó Rígháin

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15th May, 1940.

A Chara,

I am desired by the Military Service Registration Board to state that they have at present under consideration an application, under the above Acts, from Mrs. I. Carolan, 110, Seafield Road, Clontarf, in respect of the death of her husband, Michael Carolan, who died on the 1st May, 1937. It is claimed that the deceased died as the result of hunger strike in 1920 and hardships endured while serving in Oglai na h-Eireann (I.R.A.) during the period 1916 to 1923.

The Board are experiencing difficulty in obtaining the required particulars regarding the deceased's service. As the Minister has been given as the deceased's Commanding Officer perhaps in the circumstances you would arrange for the completion of the attached Form.

Mise, le meas,

S. R. O'Keefe

Runaidhe.

Private Secretary to the
Minister for Co-ordination of Defence,
Government Buildings,
DUBLIN.

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OIFIG AN AIRE CÓIMHRIARTHA COSANTAIS
(OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR THE CO-ORDINATION OF DEFENSIVE MEASURES)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
(DUBLIN)

20adh Bealtaine, 1940.

A Chara,

I am desired by the Minister for the Co-ordination of Defensive Measures to return to you the form which accompanied your letter of the 15th instant regarding the application under the Army Pensions Acts of the widow of the late Michael Carolan.

The Minister has completed the form in so far as he is able to do so. He has no personal knowledge of the circumstances of Michael Carolan's service prior to April 1923 and he suggests that Mr T. O'Déiríú, Minister for Lands might be of assistance to your Board in respect of the earlier periods.

Is mise le meas,


Rúnaí Aire.

Secretary,
Military Service Registration Board,
Colaiste Caoimhin,
Glasnevin.

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Ref. No. 11/1003/4251 Name Michael Carolan

A.P. 51—4 (b).
A.P. 52—7 (b).
Disease.

QUERIES:

1. Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command? Between 11 April 1923 - middle of 1925.
2. In what capacity did deceased serve? Director of Intelligence G.H.Q.
3. In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service? G.H.Q.
4. Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—
 - (a) Nature of the disease "
 - (b) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service "

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)
5. Was deceased engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, give the following particulars:—
 - (a) Nature of the military activities in which deceased was engaged. Intelligence.
 - (b) Was deceased attached to an A.S.U. and, if so, during what periods?
 - (c) Was deceased on the run, and if so, during what periods? From July 1922 - middle of 1925 when he was arrested.
 - (d) Nature of the hardships undergone by deceased during his military service, e.g., irregular meals, wettings, sleeping in dug-outs or in the open. His position entailed severe mental strain.

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)
- (e) Was deceased imprisoned or interned at any time, and if so, during what periods and in what Prison or Camp?
- (f) Was deceased on hunger strike, and if so, for how long?

6. Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service.

7. Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment.

8. Date of death of deceased

9. Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

Personal knowledge.

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature *Frank Aiken*

Organisation and Rank *Chief of staff*

Address *Sandyford*

*April 1923
Oct 1925.*

Ct Dublin

Date *20-5-40.*

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28th May, 1940.

A Chara,

I am desired by the Military Service Registration Board to state that they have at present under consideration an application, under the above Acts, from Mrs. Isabella Carolan, 110, Seafield Road, Clontarf, Dublin, in respect of the death of her husband, Michael Carolan, who died on the 1st May, 1937. It is claimed that the deceased died as the result of hunger strike in 1920 and hardships endured while serving in Oglagh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.) during the period 1916 to 1923.

The Board are experiencing difficulty in obtaining the required particulars regarding the deceased's service. The Minister for the Co-ordination of Defensive Measures has informed the Board that your Minister may be in a position to furnish particulars of deceased's service prior to April, 1923. In the circumstances perhaps you would arrange for the completion of the attached Form.

Mise, le meas,

SL

Runaidhe Aire,
Roinn Talmhíochta.
Upr. Merrion Street,
Dublin.

Runaidhe.

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1st July
~~27~~ June, 1940.

A Chara,

that week
I am desired by the Military Service Registration Board to refer to your application, under the above Acts, in respect of your deceased husband, Michael Carolan, and to request that you will call to this Office on any ~~week~~ day, except Saturday, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. or 3.30 and 4.30 p.m. in connection therewith.

Mise, le meas,

20th
Runaidhe.

Mrs. I.M. Carolan,
110, Seafield Road,
Clontarf, Dublin.

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Copies of Memoranda Enclosed.

- A. Account of Mr. Carolan's career in I.R.A.
- B. Statement showing period of service as D.I., G.H.Q.,
I.R.A., during Civil War period.
- C. Dr. McKee's letter.
- D. Dr. Brennan's letter.
- E. Dr. Irwin's account.

*Original of Dr. McKee's letter &
Dr. Brennan's letter & Dr. Irwin's*

Dr
3/17/40

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A.

MICHAEL CAROLAN (DECEASED)

First joined Volunteers in 1913.

Was known to British Secret Service as an active separatist prior to Easter 1916 - after which date he was arrested and interned at Frongoch and Stafford.

Was dismissed from his position as School Teacher and was obliged to establish a business of his own. Due to the persistent attention of British Detectives he had to abandon his business in 1919.

Contested North Belfast as Sinn Féin Candidate in 1918.

In 1919 he was elected to the Belfast Corporation as a Sinn Féin member for Shankill Division. Here he made history by speaking in Irish from the steps of the City Hall.

Arrested prior to Easter 1920 under the "German Plot" scare and sentenced to six months Hard Labour on account of which he was struck off Belfast Corporation and a Unionist co-opted in his place.

Was one of the leaders of the famous Mountjoy Hunger Strike in April 1920 (see Photo).

After release he returned to duty and in September 1920 was appointed O/C 2nd Battalion Belfast Brigade.

In addition to his I.R.A. work he organised the Belfast Boycott Committee and supplied G.H.Q., with necessary data to enable the I.R.A. to enforce the boycott throughout Ireland. In this connection he was called to Dublin by G.H.Q., and deputed to travel to various parts of South and West to ensure the effective operation of the boycott. While engaged in Galway he was arrested in Spring 1921 and interned at Rath Camp from which he escaped about the time of the Truce.

He again resumed his Command and continued till the outbreak of the Civil War. During 1921 he was under medical care as his general health had been undermined by successive imprisonments and a severe hunger strike. He underwent two major operations (See account Dr. Irwin).

From 1922 he was Director of Intelligence G.H.Q., and his work in this Department is well known.

During 1922 he was wounded in Grafton Street "evading arrest" and taken under guard to Mercer's Hospital, where he was operated on. While ~~under~~ still under armed guard he was rescued from Mercer's by direction of Dr. Joe Brennan then D.M.S., and brought to Dun Laoghaire where he was attended by Dr. Brennan and Dr. Jim Ryan. (See Dr. Brennan's Memo).

In 1925 he was arrested at his D.I. office in Adelaide Road and tried before T. O'Shaughnessy under the new "Treason Act". He was sentenced to eighteen months and while in Mountjoy he made another sensational escape. (See extract Speech).

B

D.I. October '22 Stephen's Green.
with Seán Hyde and Dr. Lucy (deceased).

Jan '23 Strand Rd.
with Sean Hyde Dr. Lucy, Mr. Derrig
and Frank Kerlin (deceased).

May '23 Clontarf with Mr. Aiken
Dr. Lucy, Mr. Kerlin Seán Hyde.

Sept. '23 Mrs. Stacks, Strand Rd.
with Mr. Pa Murray, Dr. Lucy, Mr. Aiken, Cleared
after a raid on Mrs. McGarry's on this road.

Jan '24 Maloney's and Beechwood Av.

Moore's also Adelaide Rd.

Arrested July '25

Escaped Nov. '25

Re-arrested Feb. '28

Released Feb. '29.

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COPY

12 Dalymount,

Phibsboro',

Dublin.

C

This is to certify that Michael Carolan, deceased, in my opinion contracted his final ailments from exposure during his period of activities in and out of jail.

I attended him during his final illness.

(Sgd) James McKee.

27th June 1940.

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COPY

Dunbrin,

Mellifont Ave.,

Dun Laoghaire.

7.6.40.

D

I certify that I attended the late Commandant M. Carolan for a period in 1922 immediately after the evacuation of the Cour Courts and O'Connell Street. He was a patient in Mercer's Hospital, and I managed to organise a party to remove him and two others from there. The operation was quite successful and arrangements had been made for his treatment at Mellifont Avenue, Dun Laoghaire. I attended him there for some time, but circumstances soon demanded my own disappearance from this locality, and as far as I remember Dr. Barton continued treatment. At the time Commdt. Carolan was suffering from a wound in one of his hips. This wound was particularly septic, due not only to local causes, but also to the fact that Mr. Carolan had only comparatively recently to this time undergone a sever hunger strike which lowered his vitality. I am informed that Dr. James Ryan may also have attended Mr. Carolan while he was in Mellifont Avenue.

As Dr. Barton may not be now available, he having since joined the British Navy it may be possible to get in touch with a then resident student of mine who helped to look after Mr. Carolan.

(Sgd) J.P. Brennan

Coroner Co. Dublin. Late D.M.S. I.R.A.

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CO 12

29 University Square,
Belfast.

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E.

May 1922

Michael Carolin, Esq.,
4 Chief Street.

To S.T. Irwin, M.B., F.R.C.S.

Professional Services

£12.12. 0

To operation Fee

£10.10. 0

To Assistant's Fee

£2. 2. 0

£12.12. 0

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Éire

ROINN TAILTE
(DEPARTMENT OF LANDS)
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
(DUBLIN)

2 Iúil, 1940.

An Rúnaidhe,
Bord Clárathachta Seirbhíseachta Mileata.

In reply to your letter dated 28th May to my Private Secretary with reference to the application of Mrs. Isabella Carolan, 110, Seafield Road, Clontarf, Dublin, under the Army Pensions Act 1932-1937 in respect of the death of her husband, Michael Carolan, I beg to say that I have made enquiries in this matter and Mrs. Carolan has supplied me with certain memoranda (5) which I believe to be correct and copies of which I enclose for your information. She says that she had already supplied medical certificates from Dr. S. McKee regarding her husband's condition of health to the Secretary, Army Pensions Board two and a half years ago.

I am returning the form you sent me duly filled up.

J. O'Leary

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Ref. No. 11/108/4251 Name Michael Carolan

A.P. 51-4 (b).
A.P. 52-7 (b).
Disease.

QUERIES:

1. Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command ?

October 1922 until my arrest
April 1923 subsequently x

2. In what capacity did deceased serve?

Director of Intelligence ~~Western~~
Zed. ~~Western~~ ~~Western~~ ~~Western~~
Spring 1923 D.I. G.N.O. IRA.
from end of 1922.

3. In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service ?

Dublin during 1922-3.

4. Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—

I cannot say.

(a) Nature of the disease

(b) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

5. Was deceased engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, give the following particulars:—

(a) Nature of the military activities in which deceased was engaged.

G. N. 2. officer 1922-3
& subsequently

(b) Was deceased attached to an A.S.U. and, if so, during what periods?

(c) Was deceased on the run, and if so, during what periods?

(d) Nature of the hardships undergone by deceased during his military service, e.g., irregular meals, wettings, sleeping in dug-outs or in the open.

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

(e) Was deceased imprisoned or interned at any time, and if so, during what periods and in what Prison or Camp?

Deceased was on hunger
strike mounting 1920

(f) Was deceased on hunger strike, and if so, for how long?

Interned 1921

6. Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service.

I have no personal knowledge of any such negligence or misconduct

7. Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment.

His widow has 5 young children. I would urge an early decision on the claim.

8. Date of death of deceased

1st May 1937

9. Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

I have personal knowledge of deceased's service as set out in memos, herewith

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature..... *J. Devig*

Organisation and Rank..... *formerly asst. ag. SRA*

Address..... *129 Mevion Rd.,*

Ballsbridge

Date..... *1/7/1940*

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Mrs Cardan attended before the Board today
in connection with his claim.

Mrs. Cardan handed in the original med.
certificates from Dr. McKee of 27th June 1940 &
Dr. Brennan. She stated Roger McLooney, Sean O'Neill
& Seamus Woods could certify the decd's par-
ticular service. Decd. was wounded in Grafton
Street - July 1922 - Sean Hyde was with him in
Dublin in 1922 but cannot state whether he was
with him at the time of wounding.

It was pointed out to Mrs Cardan that med. evidence
from Dr. Dowin would be very helpful. Stated
that she did not think she could get a cert
from Dr. Dowin but would try. Was unable
to inform the Bd. what hosp. her husband was
operated on in 1921-22.

Mrs. Cardan phoned the Joe Doherty with
her husband who would
S. O'Keefe
31/7/40.

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Seamus Woods attended before the Bd. on
on 4th July 1940 and complete the attached
Form. He stated that McLullagh & Seamus Dobbys
could certify 1916 service. Todd Andrews was on
hunger strike with Mr. Carolan, Sen O'Kille would
only know of period covered by Woods.

He thinks that Mrs Carolan will be unable to get
a cert from D. Iovine. Carolan may have been sent
D.D. Iovine for operation by another D. probably
McNabb, McKee or McClaughy. State cert. came D'Dulli
about Febry 1922.

Ref. No. 11/RB/4251 Name Michael Carolan

A.P. 51—4 (b).
A.P. 52—7 (b).
Disease.

QUERIES:

1. Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command? From Nov 1919 till Feb 1922.
2. In what capacity did deceased serve? O/C 3rd Batt.
3. In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service? Belfast Brigade. In Belfast anti-air + Down and on G.H.Q. orders in other parts of Ireland.
4. Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:— I understand his health
 - (a) Nature of the disease was impaired by Hunger Strike
 - (b) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service of April 1920.

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

5. Was deceased engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, give the following particulars:—
 - (a) Nature of the military activities in which deceased was engaged. Was on Continuous Military Service for two yrs prior to 2nd.
 - (b) Was deceased attached to an A.S.U. and, if so, during what periods? No. Does not apply
 - (c) Was deceased on the run, and if so, during what periods? Yes for 2 yrs pre 2nd
 - (d) Nature of the hardships undergone by deceased during his military service, e.g., irregular meals, wettings, sleeping in dug-outs or in the open. I understand he was in Frongoch + Stafford 1916.

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

- (e) Was deceased imprisoned or interned at any time, and if so, during what periods and in what Prison or Camp? in Mountjoy April 1920 Hunger Strike was in Rath Mar 1921. escaped Aug 21 and rejoined
- (f) Was deceased on hunger strike, and if so, for how long? Yes in April 1920 his Command

6. Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service.

I don't know of any.

7. Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment.

/

8. Date of death of deceased

1 May 1937.

9. Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

Personal knowledge.

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature..... *[Signature]*

Organisation and Rank..... *of 3rd N. Division*

Address..... *17 Ely Place
Dublin*

Date.....

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12th July, 1940.

A Chara,

I am desired by the Military Service Registration Board to refer to the application under the above Acts by Mrs. I. Carolan, 110, Seafield Road, Clontarf, in respect of the death of her husband, Michael Carolan.

The Board desire to obtain particulars of deceased's 1916 Service and imprisonment and will be grateful if you will communicate any information you may be in a position to furnish in the case.

The relevant form is enclosed for completion.

Mise, le meas,

Sol.

Runaidhe.

D. McCullagh, Esq.,
56, Dawson Street,
D U B L I N.

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12th July, 1940.

A Chara,

I am desired by the Military Service Registration Board to refer to the application under the above Acts by Mrs. I. Carolan, 110, Seafield Road, Clontarf, in respect of the death of her husband, Michael Carolan, and to state that the Board will be grateful if you will please state the full circumstances under which the late Mr. Carolan was wounded in 1922, the nature of the injuries received by him, and the date (month) of wounding.

The Board will very much appreciate any further information you may be in a position to furnish in connection with this case.

Mise, le meas,

Seh.

Runaidhe.

J. Doherty, Esq., B.L.,
Fancourt,
Balbriggan,
CO. DUBLIN.

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Phoned D McCullough about this case & day
State he will complete for & day over it in
Was holding it to ascertain whether des.
mobilized in 1916 as about 1900 see turned up
Points out that we were mostly interested in
hardships, imprisonment etc. than the actual
engagements. McCullough's state des. was
a member for 1911 & 1919, was imprison
from about mid May 1916 to Xmas 1916 in
Ironyoch. Was an actor man, to actors
at times.

Letter from D. Brennan dt 11/7/40
Supt. Merous Hosp. & Richmond Hosp.,
passed to J.S.

J.S.
31/7/40

Forwards
25/7/40

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Mrs. Carolan calls again today &
 handed in attached document.
 States she could not approach Dr. Lowe
 for med. evidence as he was now
 a British Med. Officer. Thinks husband
 was with Mr. Close in June 22. (Close
 appears to have been connected with M. Staines.)
 States she gave a statement for J. Doherty
 to Seamus Woods.

JD
 25/4/42

Showed Woods Friday morning
 but fail to get him. Statement re. Sub

Cert for Dr. Smith
 passed 7/2
 JD
 31/7/42

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Department of Defence,
Military Service Registration Board,
Griffith Barracks, Dublin.

Colasati Casimiro, Glasgow

3rd July 1940.

Ref.No. 11/RIB/4257.

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1932/1937.

QUERIES:

(1) On what date ~~were you~~ ^{was assessed} apprehended?

After Dublin Rebellion
was removed from
Richmond Bks. Dublin 8th May
16. Staffort Bks. 9th of
16 later Frongoch. Released
22nd Dec. 1916.

(2) On what date ~~were you~~ ^{was he} released from prison or internment?

(3) State the name of Prison or Internment Camp where ~~you~~ ^{was} were detained.

(4) If interned, give name and address of ~~your~~ O.C., Hut, and your O.C., Internment Camp.

(5) If detained in prison, state name and address of your O.C., Wing Section, and your O.C., Prison.

(6) ~~Were you~~ ^{Was he} on hunger strike? If so, state period.

Prior Easter '20

(7) ~~Were you~~ ^{Was he} released unconditionally? If not, state reasons of release.

To: Mrs. J M & Carolan

Signature: J M. Carolan

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To whom it may Concern

This is to certify that while engaged in taking over Yeates Corner Nassau St Dublin with B Coy 3 Batt. Dublin Brigade in July 1922 Michael O'Carolan of 110 Seafield Rd Clontarf joined the Unit.

On vacating that post under orders the unit subsequently operated from York St and along with the said Michael O'Carolan + under the Command of the late Phil Quinn acting on orders from Vice Commr. Ledwidge 3rd Batt. we acted as an advance party + took over + barricaded Koff & Petersen's Stephens Green prior to its occupation by the whole unit.

Having been forced to vacate we were then based on the Library Pearse St + operated against F.S. Army Lorries communications etc.

During all this time M. O'Carolan was with our unit taking part in all operations.

After the O'Connell St Surrender our unit was dispersed with orders to Report each day pending further arrangements for co-operation with the other units of the Brigade.

During this time O'Carolan + myself were taken into custody by a mixed body of C. I. A and F.S. troops at South King St Dublin when being forced into a military lorry both of us made a bid to escape. I headed towards Grafton St + succeeded in getting away O'Carolan was frustrated in his attempt to get into Grafton St + headed towards Dawson St. He told me afterwards that when approaching Dawson St via Stephens Green he was confronted by an armed group + he retraced his

steps in a vain effort to get free. He was shot high up on the right thigh from the back the bullet making its exit on the right front thigh below the pelvis. He was immediately taken to Mercer's Hospital. Sometime later he was rescued from the Hospital & I saw him & the wound several times at the home of W O'Sullivan Architect Dun Laoghaire before I sailed under orders for U.S.A in October 1922.

While at the home of Mr O'Sullivan Michael O'Carolan was attended by Dr Brennan at present acting as Coroner for South Co. Dublin. On several occasions he was seen by my wife - also a medical doctor.

As far as I can recollect Mr O'Carolan was still confined to bed when I left for U.S.A.

To these facts I am prepared to depose on oath.

Joseph ~~Wolfe~~

Derryana

Ballynjar

Co Dublin.

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Mr T. Derrig
Minister for Lands

5.4.1940

Land Quiries C
Sean O'Neil.

1/2 for second period probably
on Service file.

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Done

Get the for Subject file. From ~~Office~~
References given by Dea. on the last file
O'Connell, Sean O'Neil Mr. Thornberry,
W. Malley, Roy McNicholas (Eds)
Joseph Griffin, Hugh Corvin, Seamus Hood,
Roger McCleary etc. ~~McMahon~~

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Ask applicant to
call here.

25/6/60.

Query D. Mc. Cullagh 1916 service
& imprisonment 1916.

Write J. J. Doohy for particulars
of wound claimed

Record from Hardwick Hos.

5/7/60

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Ballyjordan

C. Dublin

29 Jul 40.

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6.8.1940

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Army Pensions Act 32/37

To The Secy
Military Service Ref. Board
Bolaiste Casimhin
Glasnevin.

Achara.

In reply to yours of 12th July.
Re claim of Mrs O'Carolan 110. Seafield Rd.
in respect of the death of her husband I
wish to state that I had already given
a statement re wounded, etc to Mrs
O'Carolan & was under the impression
that same had been forwarded by you.
However, I herewith enclose a copy
of same.

It appears a question has
arisen as to Mick O'Carolan's activities
between February & July 1922 I
wish to state that during this period
Mick travelled to Dublin for the purpose
of getting arms for the north.

He was, at this period very much sought after by the British Authorities in the north. In fact on one return journey from Dublin, he actually sailed from Dublin to Holyhead - thence Liverpool to Belfast. I actually accompanied him ~~to~~ as far as Holyhead. This was a short time after a British soldier was shot in Collyer Green. This fact is clear in my mind because the protestant signatories to the articles agreement actually travelled back with me from Holyhead & the late Simon Duffin told me on that occasion that Pleyd George actually threatened to scotch the treaty if such incidents continued. & I referred him to the Belfast Populists as a fitting reply. Mick I believe ^{Mick} was on a similar errand when the Civil War broke out.

I am prepared to swear to the accuracy of the above.

Joseph Booth



A.P. 51—4 (b).
A.P. 52—7 (b).
Disease.

ROINN COSANTA.
(Department of Defence.)

MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD.

Coláiste Caomhain
[Redacted], *Flasnevin*

DUBLIN.

Ref. No. 114251

12th July 1940

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1932/1937.

A CHARA,

An application has been made under the above Acts by.....
Mrs J. Carolan of *110 Seafield Rd. Clontarf*
for an Allowance or Gratuity in respect of *(husband) Michael Carolan*
who is stated to have been attached to your Command and while on duty with
Oglaigh na hEireann in the period *1914. 1918*
to have contracted disease which resulted in his death.

To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries on attached form.

I am to point out that, for the purposes herein, a person shall be deemed to have been engaged in Military Service when, but only when, he was on duty as a member of the organisation referred to, or was under arrest as a result of his activities as such member, or being such member was evading capture or pursuit by the armed forces of the British Government or of the Government of Saorstát Eireann or of the Provisional Government or of the Government of Northern Ireland, or being such member was detained in a prison or ship, or an internment camp by or by order of any of the said Governments.

Mise, le meas,

S. O'Riada



RUNAL. *A*

To..... *B. Mc Culloch Esq.*
56 Dawson St
.....
Dublin



Ref. No. 114251 Name Mrs. J. Bowler

A.P. 51—4 (b).
A.P. 52—7 (b).
Disease.

QUERIES:

1. Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command ?

Under my personal Command
1914/1918

2. In what capacity did deceased serve?

Member of Exec. of Volunteers in Belfast
& section-commander
Belfast Area

3. In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service ?

4. Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—

Have no personal knowledge
of any

(a) Nature of the disease

(b) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

5. Was deceased engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, give the following particulars:—

Yes

(a) Nature of the military activities in which deceased was engaged.

was participant in all activities
in the Area was nominated as my
deputy during 1918 period

(b) Was deceased attached to an A.S.U. and, if so, during what periods?

Yes, as far as I remember 1919/21

(c) Was deceased on the run, and if so, during what periods?

When not on active duties, during
above period

(d) Nature of the hardships undergone by deceased during his military service, e.g., irregular meals, wettings, sleeping in dug-outs or in the open.

Have no personal knowledge, as
I was in prison & subsequently
interned during period.

(A detailed statement with dates should be given.)

(e) Was deceased imprisoned or interned at any time, and if so, during what periods and in what Prison or Camp?

After Rising, until general release
in Dec. 1916
In Frongoch

(f) Was deceased on hunger strike, and if so, for how long?

I believe he was on hunger strike in
Belfast Jail, under Austin Stack,
in 1919. (I was in Gloucester Jail
during this period & only speak from hearsay)

6. Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service.

Have no knowledge of any

7. Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment.

8. Date of death of deceased

9. Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

Personal knowledge only

Regret delay in returning this form. It got mislaid & only turned up now. D. MacL. 27/8/40

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature *Domestic MacConill*

Organisation and Rank *Commandt. R.N.*

Address *"Pithers", 12, Oakley Rd.*

Ranelagh, Dublin

Date *13/7/40*

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1932 AND 1937.

SERVICE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD
IN RESPECT OF A DECEASED PERSON ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN A MEMBER
OF AN ORGANISATION TO WHICH PART II OF THE ACT OF 1932 APPLIES.

Reg. No. of Applicant II/RB/4251. Name of Applicant Carolan, Mrs. Isabella
Address of Applicant 110, Seafield Road,
Clontarf, Dublin.
Name of Deceased Person to whom Certificate relates Carolan, Michael
Late Address of Deceased Person 110, Seafield Road,
Clontarf, Dublin.
Relationship of Applicant to deceased Widow.

WHEREAS an application for the grant of an allowance *or* gratuity in respect of the said deceased has been referred to us by the Minister for Defence under Section 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932, as amended by Section 15 of the Army Pensions Act, 1937;
NOW, WE, the Military Service Registration Board, in pursuance of the said Section 8, as amended, hereby certify as follows:—

1. ~~The deceased was not at any time a member of any organisation to which Part II of the Act of 1932 applies.~~ *or*
The deceased was a member of Oglaigh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.)
(State organisation or organisations of which deceased was a member.)

2. ~~The deceased was not engaged in military service within the meaning of Part II of the Act of 1932.~~ *or*
The deceased was engaged in military service within the meaning of Part II of the Act of 1932, and the following are particulars of such military service:—

Organisation or organisations of which deceased was a member	Particulars of military service		
	(*) Period of service		Nature and extent of military service
	From	To	
Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army)	1916	1923	Served as Volunteer & Battn. O/C., 2nd Bn., Belfast Bde., & Director of Intelligence, G.H.Q.
Irish Volunteers	-	-	-
Irish Citizen Army	-	-	-
Fianna Eireann	-	-	-
Hibernian Rifles	-	-	-
Cumann na mBan	-	-	-

(*) If the service was not continuous throughout, particulars of the period or periods of actual military service should be stated.

3. ~~The deceased did not receive a wound or injury while engaged in military service.~~ *or*
The deceased received a wound or injury while engaged in military service and the following are particulars of such wound or injury:—

(a) Nature of wound or injury Bullet wound, right hip.
(b) Date on which wound or injury was received 28th July, 1922.

- (c) Circumstances in which wound or injury was received Deceased was arrested by Free State Forces and while attempting to escape was fired on and wounded.
- (d) Particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which in the opinion of the Board should be taken into consideration in determining whether the wound or injury was attributable to military service NIL.

4. ~~There is no evidence that the deceased contracted any disease during his military service.~~

or

There is evidence that the deceased contracted a disease during his military service and the following are the particulars of such evidence:—

- (a) Nature of disease Debility.
- (b) Actual conditions under which deceased performed his military service The deceased was imprisoned, on hunger strike and "on the run".
- (c) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his military service Debility - see 3 (a)
- (d) Detailed report on the applicant's statements to, in case the application is on Form A.P. 51, questions 4 D (i) and (ii) on that form, or in case the application is on Form A.P. 52, questions 7 D (i) and (ii) of that form. It is testified that deceased was arrested in May, 1916, and imprisoned in Frongoch until Xmas 1916. He was again imprisoned in Mountjoy Prison from early April, 1920, until 14th April, 1920, and underwent a hunger strike lasting about 10 days. He was interned in Rath Camp from March, 1921, until August, 1921, when he escaped.
- (e) Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which in the opinion of the Board should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to military service ... NIL.

5. Deceased died on the 1st day of May 1937.

6. The deceased was not killed while engaged in military service. He was "on the run" from August, 1922, and was engaged as Director of Intelligence, G.H.Q. from October, 1922, until September, 1923.

or

~~The deceased was killed while engaged in military service and the following are the particulars of the date, place and manner of his death~~

7. *

* This paragraph will be used for certifying such other particulars in respect of the deceased as the Minister may request the Military Service Registration Board to ascertain and certify.

Signed S. O. Riely Chairman
Michl. Hilliard Member
Gas. Curran Member

of
 Military
 Service
 Registration
 Board

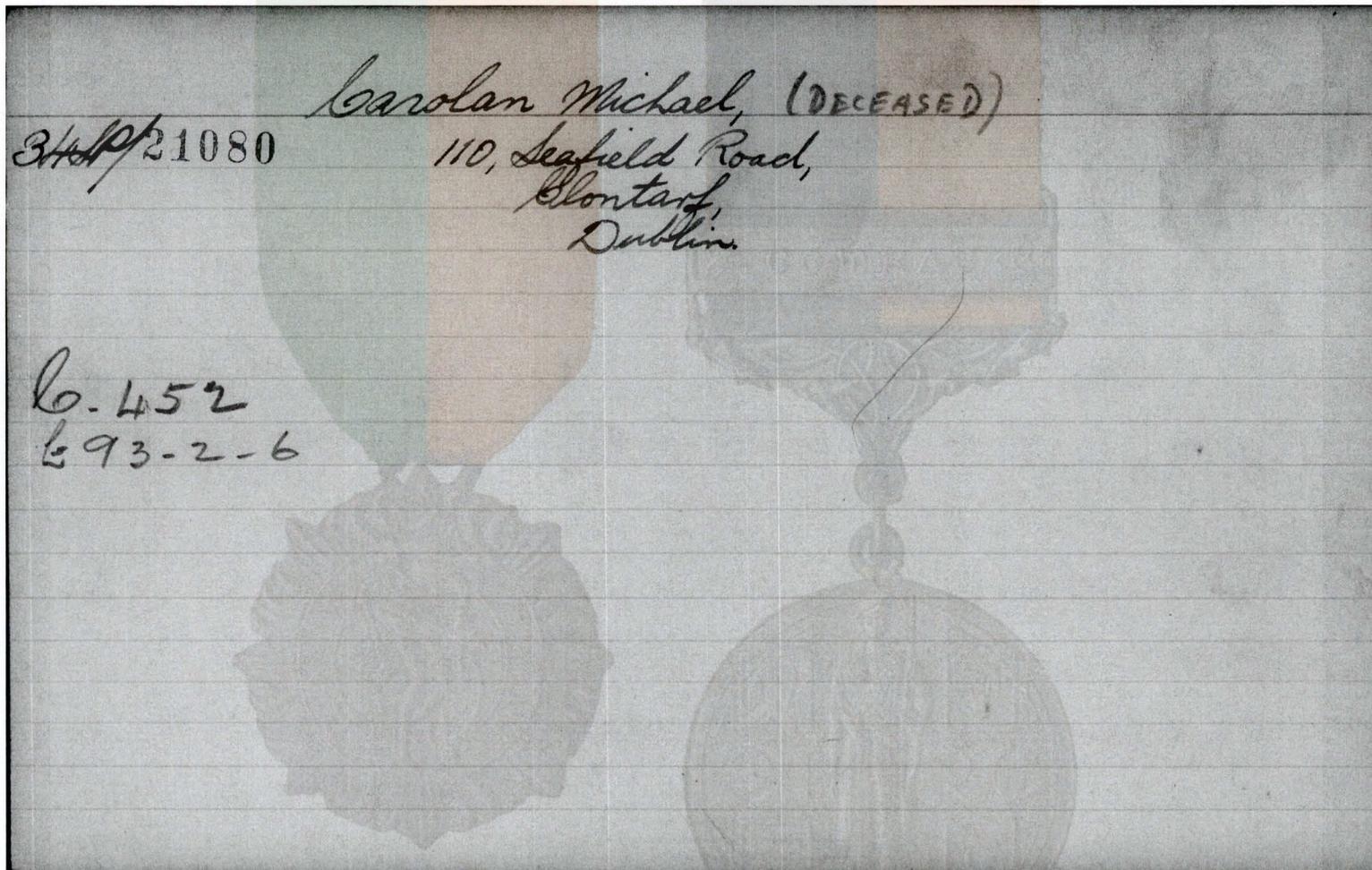
Dated this 31st day of July, 1940.

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Name	<i>Carolán nichl</i>	<i>Died.</i>	Regd. No. M.S.P./34/Referee	<i>20261</i>
Address	<i>110 Seafield Rd Clontarf Dublin</i>		Rank claimed 1st Critical Date	<i>Batt. O.C.</i>
			Rank claimed 2nd Critical Date	<i>G.H.Q. Director. 90</i>
<u>M.S.P./34/1.</u>				
Received	<i>3.4.36</i>	Investigation	<i>F3-29/11/40</i>	
<u>M.S.P./34/2.</u>				
Rank	<i>C</i>	Equivalent for pension purposes of service rendered	<i>6⁵/₂₄</i>	years.
Date of Report	<i>29/11/40</i>			
Remarks				
<small>SP 3420 5000 2-36 2,40321</small>				

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