







## Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.

### APPLICATION TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF MILITARY SERVICE.

SP10102

This form must be filled in by every person who seeks a certificate of military service, and must be signed by him, and signature witnessed, on or before the 1st March, 1925. In the event of an applicant being unable to write he should affix his mark, such act being witnessed.

NAME (to be written in block capitals). KELLY, JOSEPH PATRICK  
SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS. LUSK, Co. DUBLIN.  
(to be written in block capitals).

NOTE.—Before answering the questions below, the applicant is requested to note that

- (a) All statements made in this application will be carefully investigated and satisfactory evidence must be forthcoming on request to substantiate each and every statement made.
- (b) “If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or payment of a pension under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written statement knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding £25 (twenty-five pounds) or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or at the discretion of the Court to both such fine and imprisonment.” (Sec. 7 (1) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924).
- (c) “If any person so convicted as aforesaid is in receipt of a pension obtained by reason of such false declaration, application, or other written statement he shall forfeit such pension as from the date of such conviction.” (Sec. 7 (2) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924).

If the applicant is unable to read, the above note should be read to him by the witness.



SERVICE IN OGLAIGH NA h-EIREANN OR IN THE IRISH  
VOLUNTEERS OR IN THE IRISH CITIZEN ARMY OR IN  
FIANNA EIREANN OR IN THE HIBERNIAN RIFLES.

For each of the under-mentioned periods in which you claim to have rendered active service, state the name of the unit or units, name and address of the O/C., the names and addresses of three officers at present serving in the Army who can verify your service.

If you are unable to name officers at present serving you may state the names of Members of the Oireachtas, Officers and Men of the Garda Siochana, or of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, or of Peace Commissioners, or Permanent Civil Servants (Active or Retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200 on a scale rising to not less than £300, or Justices of District Courts.

The following circumstances shall not be deemed to constitute a breach in the continuity of service:—

- (a) Absence from duty following arrest, imprisonment, internment, or deportation under the Defence of the Realm Act, 1914, the Restoration of Order in Ireland Act, 1920, or any regulations made thereunder;
- (b) Absence from duty following arrest, imprisonment, or penal servitude in respect of sedition, treason or treason felony prior to 11th July, 1921;
- (c) Absence from duty by reason of duties necessitating such absence undertaken at the instance of or on behalf of the Cabinet of Dáil Eireann or on behalf of the Provisional Government from 21st January, 1919, to 1st July, 1922.

If you claim to have been absent from duty under these conditions, give particulars of the circumstances with respect to each such period of absence, and state its duration.

(1). FROM THE 1ST APRIL, 1916, to 31ST MARCH, 1917.

- (a) Unit or Units..... *Turney Coy Fingal Battalion*
- (b) O/C. .... *Thomas Ashe*
- (c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

*Capt. Joseph Lawless* ..... *Military Bkts. Athlone*  
*Mr. Joseph Taylor P.C.* ..... *Swords Co. Dublin*  
*Lieut. B. McAllister* ..... *Collins Bkts. Dublin*

(d) Did you render active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916?

*Yes*

- (e) Unit or Units..... *Fingal Batt.*
- (f) O/C. .... *Lieut. Thomas Ashe*
- (g) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

*General Mulcahy* ..... *Linsfield Ho. Portobello*  
*Capt. Joseph Lawless* ..... *Military Bkts. Athlone*  
*Lieut. B. McAllister* ..... *Collins Bkts. Dublin*

(h) Particulars of any Military operations or engagements or services rendered during this period:—

*Capture of Swords & Donabate R.D. L. Bannock*  
*Arms & Equipment* ..... *Battle of Ashbourne 28th April*  
*Surrendered by order on 30th April 1916.*



- (i) Absence from duty..... After surrender taken to  
Richmond Barracks & later transferred to  
Knutsford Detention Barracks and subsequently  
interned at Frongoch until 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1916

(2). CONTINUOUS SERVICE FROM 1ST APRIL, 1917, TO 31ST MARCH, 1918.

- (a) Unit or Units..... <sup>anti. 244.</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Batt (Fingal) Dublin Brigade  
(b) O/C..... Commandant M. Phynach  
(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

~~Capt. Joseph Lawless~~ Athlone Military Barracks

~~Lieut. B. McAllister~~ Collins Barracks Dublin

~~Mr. Joseph Taylor P.B.~~ Swords Co. Dublin

- (d) Absence from duty.....

(3) CONTINUOUS SERVICE FROM 1ST APRIL, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

- (a) Unit or Units..... Adjutant Fingal Brigade  
(b) O/C..... Commandant D. Brophy  
(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

~~Capt. Joseph Lawless~~ Military Barracks Athlone

~~Lieut. B. McAllister~~ Collins Barracks Dublin

~~Deamuis O'Hegarty~~ Secretary Executive Council

- (d) Absence from duty.....

(4). CONTINUOUS SERVICE FROM 1ST APRIL, 1919, TO 31ST MARCH, 1920.

- (a) Unit or Units..... Adjutant Fingal Brigade  
(b) O/C..... Commandant Dan Brophy and later I acted as o/c  
(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

~~General Mulcahy~~ Lissenfield Ho Portobello

~~Capt. Joseph Lawless~~ Military Barracks Athlone

~~Lieut. B. McAllister~~ Collins Barracks Dublin



(d) Absence from duty.....

## (5). CONTINUOUS SERVICE FROM 1ST APRIL, 1920, TO 31ST MARCH, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units.....

Fingal Brigade to 29<sup>th</sup> March 1921

(b) O/C.....

Comdt W. Lynch from Sept. 1920

(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Capt. Thos. Feely

Gormanstown Camp C. Head

Lieut. B. McAllister

Collins Barracks

Mr. Frank Taylor Ob.

Swords C. Dublin

(d) Absence from duty.....

Captured on 29<sup>th</sup> March 1921and later interned at Rath Camp. Recaptured in attempting to escape and sentenced to 12 months imprisonment. Escaped from Kilkenny Jail 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 1921 (approx) and appointed to Brigade Staff. Nov. 1921

## (6). CONTINUOUS SERVICE FROM 1ST APRIL, 1921, TO 11TH JULY, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(Fingal Unit. Rath Camp)

(b) O/C.....

Self

(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

General P. McMahon

G.H.Q.

(d) Absence from duty.....

See 5 (d)

## (7). CONTINUOUS SERVICE FROM 12TH JULY, 1921, TO 30TH JUNE, 1922.

(a) Unit or Units.....

From Nov. 1921. 8<sup>th</sup> (Fingal Brigad) see (5).

(b) O/C.....

Comdt W. Lynch later Comdt J. Connell

(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Capt. Thos. Feely

Gormanstown Camp

Lieut. B. McAllister

Collins Barracks

Comdt J. J. O'Donoghue

Intelligence Dept. G.H.Q.



(d) Absence from duty.....

SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL FORCES OR DEFENCE FORCES  
OF SAORSTÁT EIREANN.

- (8). Army No..... (9) Age..... 34
- (10). Date of enlistment..... Transferred from Fingal Brigade to Enniscomthas
- (11). Station at which you enlisted..... Swords (March 1922) District Quartermaster 12 August 1922
- (12). Home address at date of joining..... Goodstaff, Hunt St.,  
Cs. Dublin
- (13). Unit (Company, Battalion, Brigade, Division)..... 8th (Fingal) Brigade  
1st Eastern Division
- (14). Date of resignation or discharge or demobilisation..... Resigned 8/3/1924 accepted 24/3/24
- (15). Rank held at resignation, or discharge or demobilisation..... Lieut
- (16). If serving on the 1st day of February, 1924, what was your rank on that date ?  
Captain (Quartermaster) 8th Infantry Batt.  
Dublin Command
- (17). Were you a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive or of the Headquarter's Staff of Oglagh na h-Eireann at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921 ?  
If so, state the position you occupied, the department or branch and the dates of your service..... No
- (18). If you are in receipt of any remuneration, pension, or allowance payable out of public monies, whether provided by the Oireachtas or out of the Central Fund, or by means of the poor rate or any other rate imposed by a local authority, state details..... I am at present in receipt  
of three pounds weekly as  
Temporary Master of Workhouse  
which is proposed to be terminated shortly  
by the closing of the Institution  
PS. The position is not pensionable as it is  
only temporary



- (19). Give full particulars of any pension, allowance, grant or gratuity which you hold or at any time have held in respect of service in the National Forces or Defence Forces of Saorstát Eireann or in Oglagh na h-Eireann, or in the Irish Volunteers, or in the Irish Citizen Army, or in Fianna Eireann, or in the Hibernian Rifles.....

.....Received remobilisation grant £140.....

NOTE.—You will subsequently have to furnish any further particulars and to submit any evidence which the Minister for Defence, or the Board of Assessors constituted under the Military Service Pensions Act, or any person or persons duly authorised by them may require in connection with this application for a certificate of military service. In this connection attention is directed to the fact that Section 3 (5) of the Act prescribes that the onus of proof shall rest on the applicant.

Careful consideration will be given to any documentary evidence which you may wish to submit herewith. You may also at your discretion write hereunder a statement of any additional information which you consider may be of assistance in determining your application.

Signature (or Mark) of Applicant.....Joseph Keely.....

\*Witness to signature or (where applicant is unable to write) to mark of applicant.

.....C. D. Halloran.....

Address of Witness.....

.....Hampton St Balbriggan  
Co. Dublin.....

Qualification.....

.....Superintendent Garda Síochána.....

Date.....

.....25. 2. 25.....

\* Witness must be a Commissioned Officer at present serving in the Army ; or a Member of the Oiréachtas ; or an Officer of the Garda Síochána, or Dublin Metropolitan Police ; or a Peace Commissioner ; or a Permanent Civil Servant (Active or Retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200 on a scale rising to not less than £300 ; or a Justice of a District Court.



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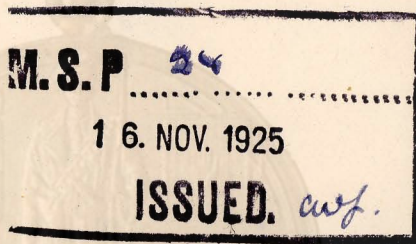
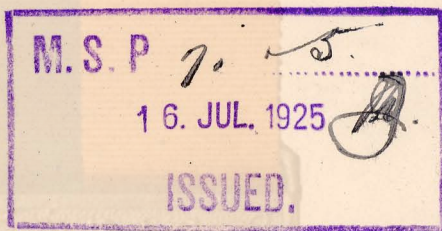
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BOARD OF ASSESSORS  
(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),  
DUBLIN.

To

The General Staff Officer,  
i/c Staff Duties,  
Chief of Staff's Department.

**MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1924.**

An application for a Certificate of Military Service has been received from

*Joseph Patrick Kelly, Lieut. Col. Dublin*

The particulars of service furnished are as follows :—

Army No. .... Age *34*  
Date of enlistment *March 1922* Station at which he enlisted *Swonds*  
Home address at date of joining *Conduff, Leix. Co. Dublin*  
Unit (Company, Battalion, Brigade, Division) *8th (Singular Bde) S. Easton*  
Date of resignation, or discharge or demobilisation *21. 3. '24*  
Rank held at resignation, or discharge or demobilisation *Lieut.*  
Rank on the 1st February, 1924, if serving on that date *Capt.*

Will you please certify at foot of this form as to the service, if any, rendered by this applicant in the National Forces or Defence Forces of Saorstát Éireann at any time subsequent to the 1st day of July, 1922, and prior to the 1st day of October, 1923.

GEARÓID O SUILLEAVÁIN,

*Runáí.*

To

The Secretary,  
Board of Assessors  
(Military Service Pensions),  
Dublin.

SDR/1468  
SP/10102.

I hereby certify that *Joseph Patrick Kelly*  
has rendered service in the National Forces or Defence Forces of Saorstát Éireann in the rank and during the periods set out hereunder :

Periods of Service prescribed in the Act.	Duration of Service during each period.	
	Date of commencement and date of ending.	Total number of days.
(1). Continuous service from 1st July, 1922 to 31st March, 1923.	1st July, 1922 - 31st March 1923	274
(2). Continuous service from 1st April, 1923 to 30th September, 1923.	1st April 1923 - 30th Sept, 1923	183

\* Rank *Captain.*

Dated *21st March 1924.*

*M. O'Sullivan*  
Major  
General Staff Officer i/c Staff Duties

\* "Every military service pension shall be based upon the rank of the applicant at the time of his discharge from the National Forces or from the Defence Forces of Saorstát Éireann or the rank held by him on the 1st day of February, 1924, whichever of those ranks shall be higher....." (Sec. 4 (3) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924).



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## FOGRA.

Is moille-de a breithneofar cás an iarratasóra  
moill do bheith ar an bhfreagra a tabharfar  
ar so.

Any delay in replying to this communication  
will defer consideration of the applicant's case.

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Service.

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To Lt. Gen. P. McMahon

16.7.25.

Chief of General Staff

In the application of Joseph Patrick Kelly  
dunk. Cadogan

for a certificate of military service in accordance with the above-mentioned Act, your  
name appears as a reference who can verify this applicant's service in the periods  
"F" set out hereunder.

You are therefore requested to reply in Column 2 to the queries in Column 1 for each  
of the periods above referred to. It will **not** be sufficient to make one general reply. Each  
period must be dealt with separately, and it is essential that your reply for each period  
should clearly set out the actual position you formerly held which entitles or enables you  
to testify as to the service, if any, of the applicant during such period.

The utmost accuracy should be observed in the replies made to the queries on this  
form. Persons making false statements render themselves liable to severe penalties. See  
notes (a) and (b) at foot of this page.

GEARÓID O SUILLEAVÁIN,  
Runaí.

NOTE.—(a) "If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or payment  
of a pension under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written  
statement knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this  
section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding £25 (twenty-  
five pounds) or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or at the discretion  
of the Court to both such fine and imprisonment." (See 7 (1) of the Military Service Pensions  
Act, 1924).

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declaration, application, or other written statement he shall forfeit such pension as from the  
date of such conviction." (Sec. 7 (2) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924).



## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	
(ii.) At what posts?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
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## (d) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
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(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (e) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (f) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	<i>He was interned in Rath Camp.</i>
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	<i>✓</i>
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	<i>✓</i>
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	<i>✓</i>
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	<i>I was interned in Rath Camp during this period.</i>

## (g) Continuous Service from 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military duties were discharged by applicant under authority during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
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You may at your discretion write hereunder a statement of any additional information which you consider may be of assistance to the Board in determining the application.

Signature of reference Pádraig MacMáirgáin

\*Witness to Signature Canon de Smitheas Cpt.

Address of Witness Beann Cheathrúna Chenerálta

Qualification Oifigach Air

Date 17. 7. 25.

\* Witness must be a Commissioned Officer at present serving in the Army ; or a Member of the Oireachtas or an Officer of the Garda Síochána or Dublin Metropolitan Police ; or a permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200, on a scale rising to not less than £300 ; or a Justice of a District Court ; or a Clergyman ; or a Registered Physician or Surgeon ; or a Barrister-at-law ; or a Solicitor.

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Regd. No. S.P. 10100.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To *General Mulcahy T.D.*

16.7.25.

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*Link* *Laurencein*.

for a certificate of military service in accordance with the above-mentioned Act; your  
name appears as a reference who can verify this applicant's service in the periods  
*9.1. — 2. —* set out hereunder.

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GEARÓID O SUILLEAVÁIN,  
Runaí.

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of a pension under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written  
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## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	My recollection is that the applicant was one of the Fingal men who served with Ashe during Easter Week 1916. He probably is one who came into the city on the Tuesday with the Party then sent in. The following could give a more specific certificate with regard to him :
(ii.) At what posts?	(1) Capt. Joe Lawless (at present serving)
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	(2) Mr. Charles Weston, Turvey, Donabate, (ex-National Forces Officer)
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	(3) Commandant(?) Ben McAllister of Donabate (probably still serving)

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
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(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
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(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
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**(f) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921.**

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To

Cornell B. J. O'Donohue

16.7.25.

G. H. O.

In the application of

Joseph Patrick Kelly  
Lieut. Col. O'Donohue

for a certificate of military service in accordance with the above-mentioned Act, your  
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## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	
(ii.) At what posts?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

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## (g) Continuous Service from 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military duties were discharged by applicant under authority during this period?	He was D.M. of a training camp at Ballynagh, and at Brackenstown Co Dublin in the autumn of '21. Joined the Army about the Four Courts, or perhaps slightly prior to it.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Enniskerry Brigade '21 5th Batt. 1st Dublin Brigade in '22.
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	He was a full time Volunteer when in the training camps and when in the Remount Lusk.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	Captain 5th Batt. 1st Dublin Bde.
(v.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Belongs in the P.W.D. Council Offices before this. Had to surrender this work though during hostilities owing to being wanted.
(vi.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify to his service?	Personal Knowledge as a Batt Officer.



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He, with Tom Ashe (R.I.P.) and Tom Pettard, kept the spirit alive after '16. He was a wholehearted Volunteer and a thorough Irishman. He planned and led the attack on Rush Police Barracks, the second police barracks in the County to be attacked.

Though never a very strong or healthy individual he endured many hardships, and after the Treaty did some great work in holding the volunteers together for the Treaty.

Signature of reference.....

L. J. Donohue Comdt.

\*Witness to Signature.....

W. J. Sturman-Whitmore

Comdt.

Address of Witness.....

General Headquarters

Qualification.....

Commandant.

Date.....

17<sup>th</sup> day of July 1925

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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To *Capt. Joseph Lawless.*

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*Attorney.*

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*husb. Co. Queen's*

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## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	Yes
(ii.) At what posts?	Kings Inns, Donabate Ashbourne etc.
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Plt
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was present at the above actions as Lt. J.R. Lee.

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	He was interned at Frongoch from the rising to Christmas '16. and on his release became capt. Q. 16. Batt. on the reformation.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	5th Batt. Dublin Brig.
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Lt. from early 1914
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Poor Law official. Was suspended from duty on account of participation in the rising
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was interned with him.



## (b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	He was const. Q. lb. of the Batt. and was at this period engaged in organizing the Batt.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	5th Batt. Dublin Brigal.
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Wt.
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Poor Law official. (reinstated about Feb. 17.)
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was at this time Lt. of Luverdes Coy.

## (c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	About the beginning of this period he was appointed Brigal. Sgt. and was engaged in organizing
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Kingal Brigal. which was then formed from the 5th Batt Dublin Brigal
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Cornell.
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	as in (b.)
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was then Capt of Balgriffin Coy. 3rd Batt. & later Brigal Engineer



## (d) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	In consequence of the resignation of the then Cpt Brugel. He was acting Cpt Brugel. for this period
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Kingal Brugel
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Cornet.
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	as in (b.)
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was Brugel. Engineer.

## (e) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921.

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*Joseph Rawlers Capt.*

\*Witness to Signature.....

*John Hayes*

Address of Witness.....

*Gormanston Camp Co. Meath.*

Qualification.....

*Commissioned Officer. rank Captain*

Date.....

*27-7-25*

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## MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1924.

Form to be filled in by a person testifying to the Service, if any, of an Applicant for  
a Certificate of Military Service.

Regd. No. S.P. 10,102.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To Lieut. B. McCallister.A. C. C. Callin. B.M.S.In the application of Joseph Patrick Kelly  
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## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	<i>Yes.</i>
(ii.) At what posts?	<i>Finglas Swords Donabate. and Ashbourne.</i>
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	<i>Volunteer.</i>
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	<i>Was in the same unit with him.</i>

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	<i>Was interned until Xmas. 1916. When Batt. was reformed he took up duty as assistant Q.M.</i>
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	<i>5<sup>th</sup> (Fingall) Batt. 1st Dublin Bde.</i>
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	<i>Lieutenant.</i>
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	<i>Post Law Official. was suspended during the period of his internment.</i>
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	<i>Was interned with him.</i>



## (b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	<i>Appointed Quartermaster of 5<sup>th</sup> Batt. and Organiser.</i>
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	<i>Was Q.M. of 5<sup>th</sup> (Fingal) Batt.</i>
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	<i>Captain.</i>
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	<i>Same as A.2.</i>
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	<i>Was an officer in the same unit.</i>

## (c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	<i>On the formation of Fingal Brigade, was appointed Brigade Adjutant.</i>
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	<i>Fingal Brigade</i>
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	<i>Comdt.</i>
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	<i>Poor Law Officer.</i>
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	<i>Was O/C 2nd Batt.</i>



## (d) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	Was acting Brigade. C.P.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Fingal Brigade
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Comdt.
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Pos Law Officer and Auctioneer Clerk.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Was C.P. 2nd Batt. same Brigade

## (e) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921.

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(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	Full time.
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Pos Law Officer. To the best of my knowledge, he couldn't attend to work.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	Comdt.
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## (g) Continuous Service from 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922.

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(i.) What military duties were discharged by applicant under authority during this period?	<i>Was interned from end of March 1921 to November 1921. On his escape from Kilkenny. Was reappointed to Brigade Staff</i>
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	<i>Fingal Brigade</i>
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	<i>Full time.</i>
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	<i>Comdt.</i>
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*Ben McAllister Liut*

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*Hugh Maguire*

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*No 2 Coy A.C.C. Collins Barracks Dublin*

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Date.....

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To *Captain Thos. Deely*

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*Cornamartin*

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*Leach, Caducair*

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(ii.) At what posts?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (d) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (e) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	Leader of ambush in Belleagh in Feb. 1921 in which principally R.I.C. Intelligence Officer was killed and a number wounded. Capture of about 30 <sup>th</sup> French.
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	Full time, Finsch Bde.
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Temporary Director of the work house and Cuckoo's Clerk. Lost one to military service.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	Adj. Sqd. R.C. to Sept.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Volunteer of same Bde.



## (f) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	<div style="font-size: 4em; opacity: 0.5;">Archives</div>
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (g) Continuous Service from 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military duties were discharged by applicant under authority during this period?	<i>Escaped from Kilkenny Jail about November and re-appointed to Regt Staff in Kilkenny and as a staff officer. And generally assisting Regt. Q. M. also acted as Corp. Q. M. Subsequently appointed Regt. Q. M.</i>
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	<i>(8th Fusil Regt)</i>
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	<i>Full Time</i>
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	<i>Cndt.</i>
(v.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	<i>Same as (E)</i>
(vi.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify to his service?	<i>Same as (E)</i>



You may at your discretion write hereunder a statement of any additional information which you consider may be of assistance to the Board in determining the application.

With regards to attached application, the appl. Cant. was one of the most leading factors in the case both on the military & civil side of the Durrum organisation prior to the truce. He devotes his entire time & energy in the Volunteer Movement from & including 1916 to the truce and in my opinion is deserving of the full benefits of the act.

Signature of reference.....

*The Earl of...*

\*Witness to Signature.....

*Pat. Corrigan Capt.*

Address of Witness.....

*Gormanston Camp Co. dease.*

Qualification.....

*Army Officer*

Date.....

*22-8-25*

\* Witness must be a Commissioned Officer at present serving in the Army ; or a Member of the Oireachtas or an Officer of the Garda Siochana or Dublin Metropolitan Police ; or a permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200, on a scale rising to not less than £300 ; or a Justice of a District Court ; or a Clergyman ; or a Registered Physician or Surgeon ; or a Barrister-at-law ; or a Solicitor.

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Pensions Collection**



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## FOGRA.

Is moille-de a breithneofar cás an iarratasóra  
moill do bheith ar an bhfreagra a tabharfar  
ar so.

Any delay in replying to this communication  
will defer consideration of the applicant's case.

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ice, if any, of an Applicant for  
Service.

Regd. No. S.P. 10/02

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To *Mr. W. O'Sheagarty*

16.7.25.

*Secy to Executive Council*

In the application of

*Joseph Patrick Kelly*  
*Adm. Secy to Executive Council*

for a certificate of military service in accordance with the above-mentioned Act, your  
name appears as a reference who can verify this applicant's service in the periods  
*"C."* set out hereunder.

You are therefore requested to reply in Column 2 to the queries in Column 1 for each  
of the periods above referred to. It will **not** be sufficient to make one general reply. Each  
period must be dealt with separately, and it is essential that your reply for each period  
should clearly set out the actual position you formerly held which entitles or enables you  
to testify as to the service, if any, of the applicant during such period.

The utmost accuracy should be observed in the replies made to the queries on this  
form. Persons making false statements render themselves liable to severe penalties. See  
notes (a) and (b) at foot of this page.

GEARÓID O SUILLEAVÁIN,  
Runaí.

NOTE.—(a) "If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or payment  
of a pension under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written  
statement knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this  
section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding £25 (twenty-  
five pounds) or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or at the discretion  
of the Court to both such fine and imprisonment." (See 7 (1) of the Military Service Pensions  
Act, 1924).

(b) "If any person so convicted as aforesaid is in receipt of a pension obtained by reason of such false  
declaration, application, or other written statement he shall forfeit such pension as from the  
date of such conviction." (Sec. 7 (2) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924).



## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	
(ii.) At what posts?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (a) (2) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	Applicant was Adjutant of the Fingal Brigade during this period
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Fingal Brigade
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Adjutant.
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	Master of Work-house. This post <del>was</del> his Volunteer work did not interfere with his ordinary living during this period.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was Director of Lunatics and in my capacity as member of H.D. Staff was present at several meetings of the Brigade Staff at wh. he was for attendance



**(d) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920.**

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

**(e) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921.**

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	



## (f) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	

## (g) Continuous Service from 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military duties were discharged by applicant under authority during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
(v.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(vi.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify to his service?	



You may at your discretion write hereunder a statement of any additional information which you consider may be of assistance to the Board in determining the application.

Signature of reference.....

*Diarmuid Ní Sceallach*

\*Witness to Signature.....

*Mme. Ní Sceallach*

Address of Witness.....

*Government Buildings Dublin.*

Qualification.....

*Permanent Civil Servant on scale not less than £200*

Date.....

*12th October 1915*

\* Witness must be a Commissioned Officer at present serving in the Army ; or a Member of the Oireachtas or an Officer of the Garda Síochána or Dublin Metropolitan Police ; or a permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200, on a scale rising to not less than £300 ; or a Justice of a District Court ; or a Clergyman ; or a Registered Physician or Surgeon ; or a Barrister-at-law ; or a Solicitor.

**Military Service  
Pensions Collection**



Joseph Patrick Kelly, Lusk, Co. Dublin  
 Joined 1914 Wardsman  
 in Workhouse Mobilised  
 on Easter Sunday re mobilised  
 Easter Monday served as in  
 form when returned on  
 the Sunday released & was  
 1916 rejoined in 1917  
 Organising assistant R.M.  
 Batt R.M. made Brigade  
 Adjut 1919 Commission made  
 acting Commandant resigned  
 June 1920 could not give  
 time to go as Commandant  
 appointed Batt adj. Organised  
 arranged an ambush.  
 Arrested 27/3/21 released  
 escaped Oct or November  
 in Vols till going March 1922  
 still now



Accepted  
21.10.25

Lusk

Co Dublin

20/10/25

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10108.

I would feel  
very grateful if you  
could possibly place  
my application for  
military Service Certificate  
& pension before your  
Board for their early  
consideration.

Thanking you in anticipation  
Yours faithfully  
Joseph P. Kelly





S.P. 10102

Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.

M.S.P. 2.

Draft.

REPORT BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Assessors constituted under Section 2 of the above-mentioned Act, report as hereunder on the application of *Joseph Patrick Kelly, Co. Dublin* for a Certificate of Military Service in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and the Regulations made thereunder.

(1) Periods of Military Service prescribed in the Act.	(2) Forces in which active service was rendered.	(3) Duration of active service during each of the prescribed periods as established to the satisfaction of the Board.	(4) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined by Section 4 (2) of the Act.
(a) (1) Active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916 ...	<i>08/4/16</i>	<i>EP</i>	
(2) Continuous service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917 ...			
(b) Continuous service from 1st April 1917, to 31st March, 1918 ...		<i>1/4/17</i>	
(c) " " 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919 ...		<i>1/4/18</i>	
(d) " " 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920 ...		<i>1/4/19</i>	
(e) " " 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921 ...		<i>EP</i>	
(f) " " 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921 ...		<i>EP</i>	
(g) " " 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922 ...		<i>EP</i>	
(h) " " 1st July, 1922, to 31st March, 1923 ...			
(i) " " 1st April, 1923, to 30th September, 1923 ...		<i>AS</i>	

Rank of the applicant as defined by Sec. 4 (3) of the Act.

Total service for pension purposes, as defined by Sec. 4 (2) of the Act.

Dated this.....day of.....

(Signed)

Member of the Board of Assessors.



**Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.**  
**REPORT BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS.**

M.S.P. 2.

TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Assessors constituted under Section 3 of the above-mentioned Act, report as hereunder on the application of Joseph Patrick Kelly, Esq. 60, Dublin for a Certificate of Military Service in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and the Regulations made thereunder.

(1) Periods of Military Service prescribed in the Act.		(2) Forces in which active service was rendered.	(3) Duration of active service during each of the prescribed periods as established to the satisfaction of the Board.	(4) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined by Section 4 (2) of the Act.
(a) (1) Active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916	...	O'Donoghue, Dublin	Entire Period	5 years
(2) Continuous service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917	...	...	...	...
(b) Continuous service from 1st April 1917, to 31st March, 1918	...	...	...	...
(c) " " 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919	...	...	...	...
(d) " " 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920	...	...	...	...
(e) " " 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921	...	O'Donoghue, Dublin	Entire Period	2 years
(f) " " 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921	...	" " " "	" " " "	1 year
(g) " " 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922	...	O'Donoghue, Dublin	" " " "	1 " "
(h) " " 1st July, 1922, to 31st March, 1923	...	O'Donoghue, Dublin	" " " "	2 years
(i) " " 1st April, 1923, to 30th September, 1923	...	" " " "	" " " "	1 year

Rank of the applicant as defined by Sec. 4 (3) of the Act... Captain

Total service for pension purposes, as defined by Sec. 4 (2) of the Act... 12 years

Dated this... 12<sup>th</sup> day of... November 1925

(Signed)

Member of the Board of Assessors.