

# File Ref. No.

9375



DEPARTMENT

## MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS

Name or Subject

Major Gen Michael Emerson

~~Sydney House~~ G. H. S.

Parkgate,  
Dublin

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Particulars

OF MSP2

DATED 14.3.27. PASSED TO D OF DEFENCE 18.3.27.

RANK Major General Total SERVICE FOR PENSION 14 Years

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M.S.P. 1.



## Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.

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

SP 9375

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.....M. I. C. H. A. E. L. B. R. E. N. N. A. N.....  
block capitals). SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS.....SYDNEY HOUSE, CORK.....  
(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).

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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..... *Limerick Brigade*

(b) O/C. .... *Mr. Colivet*

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

*Seumas Ledden, T.D. .... William St., Limerick*  
*Seán O'Muirthile*  
*Ernest Blythe, T.D. .... 11 Sandford Road, Randolph*

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

*Yes*

(e) Unit or Units..... *Close Corp of Limerick Bde.*

(f) O/C. .... *Self*

(g) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

*Seán O'Muirthile*  
*Col. A. Brennan, Athlone*  
*Seumas Ledden, T.D. .... Limerick*

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

*All over. Close from Wednesday to Sunday preparing for rising. In charge of 100 men mobilised all day for Sunday & Monday waiting for orders (see evidence at British Royal Commission on Rising.) Tried to get the men "out in salvo" (abs) but several times arrested & couldn't get through. Am*



on April 29th & deported to England. Attended several meetings of Limerick Bde. Staff with Sean O'Muirthile & tried to force them to fight but failed. Asked even for their arms to enable my own men to fight & was refused. (i) Absence from duty..... In prison from Kew, to June 1916.

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

- (a) Unit or Units..... Clare Bde.  
(b) O/C..... Col. P. Brennan  
(c) References :—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Col. P. Brennan	Leinster House, Dublin.
Ernest Blyth, T.D.	11 Sandford Rd., Ranelagh
Sean O'Muirthile	

- (d) Absence from duty..... A. deported in England to May, escaped from there & "on the run" to end of June, in prison from July to December. Again in prison from February to end of this period. On three hunger strikes this term.

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

- (a) Unit or Units..... Clare Bde. & E. Clare Bde.  
(b) O/C..... Col. P. Brennan & self  
(c) References :—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Col. P. Brennan	
Gen. R. Mulcahy, T.D.	Lisconfield House, Dublin
Ernest Blyth, T.D.	

- (d) Absence from duty..... In prison all this year to New Eve. "On the run" & on duty from Feb. to end of period. Appointed O.C. E. Clare Bde in Jan.

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

- (a) Unit or Units..... E. Clare Bde  
(b) O/C..... Self  
(c) References :—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Col. A. Brennan	Atkins
Gen. R. Mulcahy, T.D.	
Major T. M. Gath	Portobello Barracks.



(d) Absence from duty.....

None

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

E. Clare Bde &amp; Clare Flying Column

(b) O/C.....

Self &amp; Col. A. Brennan.

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

~~Col. A. Brennan. Athlone~~~~Maj. T. Mc Grath. Portobello Bks~~~~Lieut. Gen. Gerard O'Sullivan~~

(d) Absence from duty.....

Wounded in Nov. 1920. Two months included as a result.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

E. Clare Bde &amp; S. Galway Bde.

(b) O/C.....

Self. Apptd. Acting O.C. 1st Western Divn.

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

~~Col. A. Brennan. Athlone.~~~~Col. D. J. Reynolds. New Bks. Finck.~~~~Maj. T. Mc Grath. Portobello Bks~~

(d) Absence from duty.....

None.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

1st Western Division

(b) O/C.....

Self.

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

~~Gen. R. Wyldeahy. T.D.~~~~Col. D. J. Reynolds. Limerick~~~~Maj. T. Mc Grath. Portobello Bks~~



(d) Absence from duty.....

*None.*

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

(8). Army No..... *None*..... (9) Age..... *29*.....

(10). Date of enlistment..... *Feb. 2nd 1922*.....

(11). Station at which you enlisted..... *Ennis*.....

(12). Home address at date of joining..... *Wickick, Co. Clare*.....

(13). Unit (Company, Battalion, Brigade, Division).....

*1st Western Division*

(14). Date of resignation or discharge or demobilisation..... *Still serving*.....

(15). Rank held at resignation, or discharge or demobilisation.....

(16). If serving on the 1st day of February, 1924, what was your rank on that date ?

*Major General*

(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.....

*In receipt of Army Pay  
as a serving officer.  
£800 per annum*



- (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.....

None

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.

Joined the I. R. B. in 1911 at the age of 15. joined the Fianna shortly afterwards. On the formation of the Volunteers left College & spent my whole time working in & organising this force. From 1914 to the Treaty was an absolutely whole-time Volunteer never giving a day to any other work. For seven years — from 1914 to Sept 1921 — although a whole-time organiser & worker neither received nor asked payment of any sort. I claim Active Service for Easter 1916 although not in Dublin, on the grounds stated & if required will furnish further particulars.

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

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

Address of Witness.....

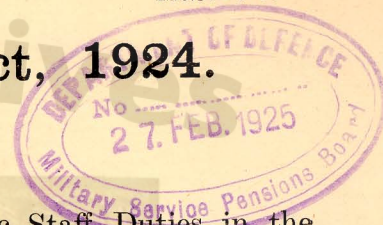
Qualification.....

Date.....

\* 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 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.



# Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.



Form of certificate to be attached by the G.S.O. i/c Staff Duties in the cases of Officers, and by the Officer i/c Personnel in the cases of N.C.Os. and Men, when the forms M.S.P. 1 are being transmitted to the Secretary, Military Service Pensions Board. (Paragraph 4 of Defence Order No. 59).

To :

SDR/3338.

The Secretary,  
Military Service Pensions Board.

I hereby certify that Major General Michael Brennan.  
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.

**Major General.**

\*Rank.....

Dated... 23/2/25......

*Michael Brennan*..... Major...

G.S.O(1). Staff Duties.

**MFG.**

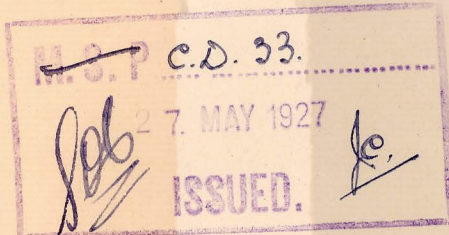
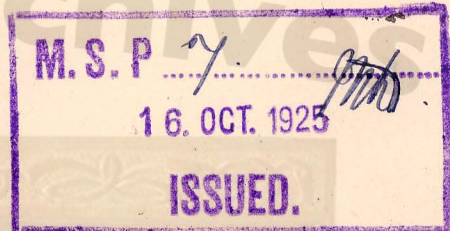
\* "Every military service pension shall be based upon the rank of the applicant at the time of his discharge from the National Forces or from the Defence Forces of Saorstát Éireann or the rank held by him on the 1st day of February, 1924, whichever of those ranks shall be higher . . . . ." (Sec. 4 (3)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



MINUTE SHEET.

M.S.B.  
(Argumist).

Reference... *SP 9375*...



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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.

M.P.W.—Wt. 5977.—B.9.—Gp. 23.—10,000.—4/'25. (A.S.) 1  
Wt. 906.—B.11.—Gp. 23.—10,000.—6/'25.

M.S.P. 7.

S ACT, 1924.

Service, if any, of an Applicant  
Service.

Regd. No. S.P. 9348.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN. 16.10.'28.

To *Lt General Sean O'Meara*

*Jury's Stake Dublin*

In the application of *Major General M. Brennan*  
*G.O.C. Southern Command Lond.*

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  
*a. a. b.* 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 Ó SUILLEAVAIN,

Runaí *[Signature]*

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." (Sec. 7 (1) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924).

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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?	at Killoran and Limerick
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	I cannot remember Rank.
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I turned out with him on Easter Sunday 1916. When Volunteers were dismissed by the O/C. He, 3 others and myself endeavoured to remobilise them. We were arrested shortly after.

## (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 in prison. 15 Dec 1916. and he was interned in the Run for Reminders
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Limerick Brigade
(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?	I know him from 1914. I never saw him except as a whole time worker in I. V. + Scouts.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal association from 1914



## (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?	Same as described in previous paragraph
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Lincoln Brigade
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant (I think)
(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?	always full time
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal association

## (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.	
(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.

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(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 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..... *Sean O. Murchuile. Lt. Gen.*.....

\*Witness to Signature.....

Address of Witness.....

Qualification.....

Date.....

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S ACT, 1924.

M.S.P. 7.

26. OCT. 1925

Service, if any, of an Applicant  
Service.

Regd. No. S.P. 9346.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN. 16.10.25.

To Col. D. J. Reynolds.

New BRS. Limerick.

In the application of Major General M. Brennan  
S.O.C. Southern Command Cork.

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  
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You are therefore requested to reply in Column 2 to the queries in Column 1 for  
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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.

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.	
(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?	He was O/c East Clare + South Galway flying columns at this time + as such organised + took part in all raids, ambushes etc in this area
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period, and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	"On the run" all this time. A S C East Clare 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?	Farming. Subsequently he was O/c 1st Western Division + never reverted to his occupation.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant - General.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify to his service?	Served in Column with him.

## (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?	was O/c 1st Western Division.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	1st W. Division
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	was whole time officer.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	Commndt. General.
(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?	Farmer. Never reverted to his original occupation as he was a whole time Army Officer.
(vi.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify to his service?	Served in same unit.



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.

# Military Archives

Signature of reference..... *David J. Reynolds. Colonel.*

\*Witness to Signature.....

Address of Witness.....

Qualification.....

Date.....

\*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.

# Military Service Pensions Collection



27 OCT. M.S.P. 7.  
Military Service Pensions, Dublin

**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. *9.2.75.*

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN. *16.10.25.*

To *Capt. A. Brennan*

*Attorne.*

In the application of *Major Gen. M. Brennan*  
*G.O.C. Southern Command. Conn.*

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  
*a! d e of.* 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  
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GEAROID Ó SUILLEAVAIN,

Runaí.

NOTE,—(a) “If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or pay-  
ment 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  
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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?	Yes
(ii.) At what posts?	He issued instructions to various units to mobilise and was in charge of them at Bunnally East Sunday 19/4. When the link broke decided not to fight he tried to get to Galway but was held up and prevented by enemy forces
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	He was O.C. Clare Battalion Limerick Brigade
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal knowledge

(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?	
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## (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?	He was active in organising the Volunteers all over the Bde area.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	East Clare Brigade
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Brigade O.C.
(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?	A. He was a student B. All his time was given to Volunteer work.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal knowledge. I was also Vice O.C. of the Brigade.

## (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.	He was O.C. East Clare Flying Column and took part in all its operations both inside & outside the Bde area.
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	A. He was a full time Volunteer. B. East Clare Flying Column
(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?	A. He was a student B. All his time was given to Volunteer work.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	He was O.C. Flying Column
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal knowledge. I was also Bde O.C.



## (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 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?	



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*Applicant started to organise the Volunteers in Clare at the end of 1913 and from that on to the time his whole time was given to Volunteer work, ~~and~~ from 1916 he was either in jail or on the run.*

Signature of reference..... *A. Brennan Colonel*

\*Witness to Signature..... *F. O. O'Leary*

Address of Witness..... *Stewart Bks. Curragh.*

Qualification..... *Captain*

Date..... *23/10/25*

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## FOGRA.

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moill do bheith ar an bhfreagra a tabharfar  
ar so.

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M.P.W.—Wt. 5977.—B.9.—Gp. 23.—10,000.—4/25. (A.S.) 1  
Wt. 906—B.11.—Gp. 23.—10,000.—6/25.

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S ACT, 1924.

Service, if any, of an Applicant  
Service.

Regd. No. S.P. 9345

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN. 16.10.25.

To... Mr. Seanus Ladden T.D.  
William St. Lawrence.

In the application of... Major General M. Berman  
G.O.C. Southern Command, Cork.

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  
Q1. Q2. ——— 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  
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## (a) (1) Active Service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	He was under arms himself & his men and to Clare, at that period
(ii.) At what posts?	Command of to Clare
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant to the best of my knowledge
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal Acquaintance

## (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 in Prison
(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?	He was in the British Mercantile Service as wireless operator up to outbreak of war 1914 when he left that service & from then on helped his father & mother
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	Personal acquaintance



## (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?	
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(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.
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(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify to his service?	

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
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(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	
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Signature of reference..... *James Ladden* <sup>4</sup> *JD*

\*Witness to Signature..... *Padraig O'hallmuran*

Address of Witness..... *10 Spauldham Avenue*

Qualification..... *Chairman, Siochana*

Date..... *Oct 27th 1925*

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S ACT, 1924.

Service, if any, of an Applicant  
Service.

Regd. No. S.P. *9.375.*

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN. *16.10.25.*

To *Major J. McGrath.*  
*Pontabell B.Rs.*

In the application of *Major Gen. M. Brennan*  
*G.O.C. Southern Command Cork.*

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.

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?	
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## (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?	
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(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?	
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## (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?	
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**(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?	
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(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
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QUERY.	REPLY.
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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?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer?	
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My knowledge of Major General Brennan is that he has always been a member of the volunteers since there were volunteers to be a member of. I did not become intimately connected with him until 1918 or 19. He was Commandant East Clare Brigade & I should say was responsible for all the activities of the Brigade.

He organised & took part in practically every attack on British forces, carried out by the a. b. unit East Clare Brigade.

To add anything more would be superfluous & like painting the lily.

Signature of reference..... *Thomas Pratt* Major

\*Witness to Signature..... *Mohammed Mahmood*

Address of Witness..... *Contracts & Disposals 9. 11. 16. Park Road*

Qualification..... *Commissioned Officer*

Date..... *12-12-25*

\*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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Major Gen Michael Brennan

joined at inception in school  
left school to join. I was  
intended for profession, from  
about March 1916 I was appointed  
barrister & was left of boy.

Heard of Rising definitely about  
a week previously I got orders  
then to mobilise all available

Vol in East Clare to detail parties  
in Vth Clare & Ennis to cooperate  
in forwarding arms to Bonmahon & to  
take charge of 100 men directly  
myself & bring them into Dimerish  
on Saturday I was told it was off  
I spent all Saturday & Sunday ready  
moving calling it off on Sunday at  
Midday I learned there was a doubt  
about it I mobilised original  
party of 100 & kept them mobilised  
armed till Monday morning when  
it was off was given by Robert  
Mobilised them <sup>100 men</sup> at Bonmahon I worked  
them to Dimerish kept them till Monday  
morning attended meeting in Dimerish  
in which we tried to force Dimerish  
men to fight All Tuesday at meetings  
I was armed all the time On Wednesday  
I heard they were out in Galway  
tried to get through by a way  
but arrested by R.I. on both  
occasions On Thu the R.I. did  
not let us come over on Thursday  
another meeting at which we tried to



get them out again. Several  
meetings on Thursday I asked him  
to give me arms to fight  
in France but they would  
at meeting Sam O'Malley John Barry  
& James McInerney & self  
in favour of fight I was arrested  
by military between 2 barracks  
in city arrested interrogated  
told I would be tried by J. &  
C. M. John was my own plan  
I was ignorant of plans  
If the meeting agreed to fight  
we had plan ready to seize  
city & connect up with John  
There were 30 rifles in Arsenal  
we wanted these & then we would  
come take K. I. & John & connect  
with John This was my idea  
as it would have relieved pressure  
in Limerick

I left school 18 to join & become  
a soldier then I had a fault  
to become a wireless operator  
& was a whole time soldier from  
that till now  
Home turned down & all finally  
in war



S.P. 9345

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 Michael Brennan 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.M.A.	5 years	
(2) Continuous service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917 ...		5 years	
(b) Continuous service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918 ...		5 years	
(c) " " " 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919 ...		5 years	
(d) " " " 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920 ...		5 years	
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(f) " " " 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921 ...		5 years	
(g) " " " 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922 ...		5 years	
(h) " " " 1st July, 1922, to 31st March, 1923 ...		5 years	
(i) " " " 1st April, 1923, to 30th September, 1923 ...		5 years	

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.



SP.9375

# Military Service Pensions Act, 1924

## REPORT BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

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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 Michael Brennan, Sydney House, Borku (present address G.H.Q., Parkgate, 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 ...	Oglaigh na hEireann	Entire Period	5 Year
(2) Continuous service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917 ...	Oglaigh na hEireann	Entire Period	$\frac{1}{2}$ Year
(b) Continuous service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918 ...	"	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ "
(c) " " " 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919 ...	"	"	1 "
(d) " " " 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920 ...	"	"	2 "
(e) " " " 1st April, 1920, to 31st March, 1921 ...	"	"	1 "
(f) " " " 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921 ...	"	"	1 "
(g) " " " 12th July, 1921, to 30th June, 1922 ...	Oglaigh na hEireann [Defence Force (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1923]	"	2 "
(h) " " " 1st July, 1922, to 31st March, 1923 ...	"	"	1 "
(i) " " " 1st April, 1923, to 30th September, 1923 ...	"	"	1 "

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

Total service for pension purposes, as defined by Sec. 4 (2) of the Act.....14 years.

Dated this.....14<sup>th</sup>.....day of.....March, 1927.

(Signed)

Member of  
the Board  
of  
Assessors.

Wt. 407-13-22-Gp. 23-5,000-2/'26-M.P.W. (A.S.)  
Wt. 73-13-32-Gp. 23-20,000-4/'26 (S)  
Wt. 2715-4-44-Gp. 23-8,000-10/'26.