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Wm E. McEloughlin
(Sister)

Mrs Margaret Pearse.
St. Endas
Rathfarnham

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W. Murphy 18/7/37

Min of Fin 19/7/37

Wm E. Carthy 20/7/37

Mr Murphy 22/7/37

PA 23/7/37

W. Kelly 27/7/37

PA 27/7/37

Mr. Corcoran 20/1/38

PA 20/1/38

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1923 and 1927

Application by or on behalf of a Dependant other than a Widow for an Allowance
or Gratuity under Section 15 of the Army Pensions Act, 1927.
or Sec. 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1923

NOTE.—This form is to be filled in by the Applicant in person—who in the case of Motherless children will be the Guardian—in his (or her) own words, and the form is to be signed by him (or her) and the signature witnessed. In the event of the applicant being unable to write, he (or she) should affix his (or her) mark, such act being witnessed.

Name of Applicant.....
TO BE WRITTEN IN
BLOCK CAPITALS.

PEARSE, MRS. MARGARET
(Surname) (Mr., Mrs., or Miss) (Christian Names).

Address.....

St. Enda's, Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin

Nearest Garda Siochana Station.....

Name of deceased Officer or Soldier.....

Army Number.....

Rank

Unit and Corps.....

Name and Rank of Commanding Officer.....

NOTE.—Before answering any of the questions below, the applicant is to note that the statements made will be checked from official records.

Section 12. (1) of the Act imposes a summary penalty for a false declaration.

“ Every person who, with a view to obtaining the grant or payment of a pension, allowance, or gratuity under this Act either for himself or for any other person, makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application, or other written statement knowing the same to be false shall be guilty of an offence under this section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds or, at the discretion of the court, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.”

If the applicant is unable to read, the above notes should be read over to him (or her) by the witness, who should so testify in his attestation of the claim.

1. State your relationship to the deceased.
2. State the date of your birth.
(If you are the father of the deceased and claim to be over 60 years of age, your Birth Certificate must be forwarded.)
3. When and where ^{were} the deceased killed? (Certificate of death to be attached.)
4. If the deceased received in the course of duty a wound or injury which was the sole cause of his death subsequently, state:—
 - (a) the nature of the wound or injury;
 - (b) the date upon which the wound or injury was received;
 - (c) the district in which it was received; and
 - (d) any other circumstances within your knowledge.
5. State whether the deceased ^{were} married.
6. Give the names and addresses of any hospitals the deceased was in, or doctors who attended him since the receipt of the wound or injury mentioned in your reply to above question 4.
7. State whether you were at the date of the death of the deceased, wholly dependent on ~~him~~ ^{them}. If not wholly dependent, state the extent to which you were dependent.
8. If the applicant is the brother or sister of the deceased, or the father of the deceased, and under 60 years of age state whether and, if so, how far you are incapacitated by ill-health. (Certificate from your doctor must be attached).
9. State whether any claim has been made, or is being made by you, in respect of any other member of the Forces.
10. State whether any compensation has been paid from or on behalf of any person alleged to be responsible for the act which caused the death wound or injury referred to in your

Mother.

12th Feb. 1857.

Executed by British Forces,
Kilmainham Jail
May, 3rd + 4th 1916.

No.

Yes, both their two sisters
and myself were wholly
dependent on them.

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reply to above questions 3 or 4. If so, give full particulars.

Have you or has anybody else received in respect of the wound or injury mentioned in the answer to questions 3 or 4 any payment from any other source?

11. State whether deceased was at any time in receipt of a pension, allowance or gratuity in respect of injuries received or disability incurred in the course of service with any of the following Military or Police Forces :—

- (a) British.
- (b) Australian.
- (c) New Zealand.
- (d) South African.
- (e) Canadian.
- (f) American (U.S.A.)
- (g) Royal Irish Constabulary
- (h) Dublin Metropolitan Police.
- (i) Garda Siochana.

12. Give particulars of any payments you have received from Army Funds since the death of deceased.

13. If you are supporting any children of the deceased give particulars as follows :—

- (a) Where the deceased was an Officer :

Full name of each son under 18.	Date of Birth.
Full name of each daughter under 21.	Date of Birth.

(Birth Certificates must be attached.)

- (b) Where the deceased was a soldier :

Full name of each son under 16.	Date of Birth.

Full name of each daughter under 18.	Date of Birth.

(Birth Certificates must be attached.)

14. State amount expended within the past 12 months in educational fees on each of the children over 12 years and under 18 years mentioned in your reply to question 13 :—

Name of Child.	£	s.	d.

(Receipts for school fees should be attached.)

The above statement has been read by/to me. It is my own statement. I have nothing to add to it.

Signed

Maynard Pearse
(Applicant)

Address

St Enda's Rathfarnham

*Signed

Kitty O. Doherty
(Witness) *Ex-Head Teacher*

Address

30 Claude Road, Dublin

Qualification of Witness

Householder

Date

13th Jan. 1928

* To be signed by one of the following :—

- A Commissioned Officer serving in the Defence Forces.
- A Permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200 and on a scale rising to not less than £300.
- A District Justice.
- A Peace Commissioner.
- A Barrister-at-Law, a Solicitor or a Commissioner for Oaths.
- A Minister of Religion (denomination to be stated).
- A registered Physician or Surgeon.
- Managers, Secretaries, Chief Cashiers, and Accountants of Banks and Officials in charge of Branch Banks.
- A member of the Garda Siochana.
- A Postmaster or Postmistress in actual charge of a Post Office.
- Head Teachers of Secondary or National Schools.
- A Secretary of a registered Friendly Society.

LIT DO GACH ABHAR.

UIMHIR THAGARTHA

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ROINN COSANTA,
Brainnse an Ard-Chongantora,

GEATA NA PAIRCE,
BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

16 Eanáir, 1928.

Secretary,
Army Pensions Board,
St. Bricin's Hospital.

Subject: Army Pensions Act 1923-27 - Dependant's
Claim - Mrs. Margaret Pearse, St.
Enda's, Rathfarnham, Dublin, in respect
of deceased sons P.H. and Wm. Pearse.

Referring to your even number dated 16/1/28.
Investigations have been completed in this case and from
information obtained, I can certify as follows:

1. That deceased were killed (executed) on 3rd and 4th May, 1916.
2. That deceased were members of the Irish Volunteers on that date.
3. That they were killed in the course of their duty and that death was not due to any serious negligence or misconduct on their part.
4. The rank in the Forces which most closely corresponds to rank in Irish Volunteers held by deceased was that of:

P.H. Pearse	-	General
Wm. Pearse	-	Commandant.

Your complete file is returned herewith.

M. B. ...
Adjutant General.

Major General



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ARMY PENSIONS BOARD,
ST. BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,

DUBLIN: 19th January 1928

The Secretary.

Two
~~One~~ case herewith for

favour of the Minister's certificate,
please.

John Bowyer
HUNALDRE.

McDonough

*Both certificates
are returned duly signed by
Minister. Enclaves
19/1/28*

Ref. No. 33/A.P.B/22

A.P. 27.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE,

DUBLIN,

19th January.....1928.

Certified that the late.....P. H. Pearse.....

was a member of the Irish Volunteers that he was
Irish Citizen Army, 1916,

Strike out
words in
italics
which do
not apply.

killed, ~~wounded~~ on (executed) on 3rd May, 1916.....(before 1st

April, 1922) whilst performing his duty as such member; and

that *death, ~~wound~~* was not due to any serious negligence or
misconduct by deceased.

The rank in the Forces which most closely corresponds to
the rank held by deceased in Irish Volunteers
Irish Citizen Army, 1916, is

General.....

(Provided that any applicant who was killed or wounded in
the Rising of April and May, 1916, shall be deemed to rank as
an Officer).

Ernest Bly.....
Acting Minister for Defence.

/AL.

Secretary,
Pensions Board,
St. Brigid's Hospital,
Dublin.

Hibernian Schools,
Dublin.
7 Feb. 1928

Claiming Mrs Margaret Pearse.

A Comr,

I am prepared to say that I knew the late
P. H. Pearse intimately. I was familiar with
his business affairs.

The Claimant, his mother Mrs. Margaret Pearse
lived with him at St. Endas up to Easter 1916.

It is my considered opinion that up to
Easter 1916 Mrs Pearse was dependant for
her support on her son Patrick solely.

Yours truly

P. O. Slattery Comdr.

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HIBERNIAN SCHOOLS
DUBLIN

7 Feb, 1928.

The Secretary,
Pensions Board,
St. Brigid's Hospital,
Dublin.

CLAIM - MRS. MARGARET PEARSE

A Chara,

I am prepared to say that I knew the late P.H. Pearse intimately. I was familiar with his business affairs.

The claimant, his mother, Mrs. Margaret Pearse lived with him at St. Endas up to Easter 1916.

It is my considered opinion that up to Easter 1916 Mrs. Pearse was dependent for her support on her son, Patrick solely.

Ie meas,

(SGD) P.O' SIATARA

COMMDT.

LITIR DO GACH ABHAR.

UIMHNE CHAGARTHA

ROINN COSANTA.

An Fhuireann Gheneralta,
Bureau na Treineala,
GEATA NA PAIRCE.

BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

14 Feabhra, 1928.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Secretary,
Army Pensions Board.

I have been asked to state that, as far as I know, Mrs. Pearse was totally dependent on her two sons, P. H. Pearse and William Pearse, at the time of their execution in 1916. I was closely associated with the Pearse family and with St. Enda's College at that particular time and I always understood that their source of revenue was entirely from the College, of which P. H. Pearse was Headmaster and William Pearse an Assistant Master. P. H. Pearse had sunk all his capital in the College, which could hardly be described as a financial success and I, certainly, was under the impression that the family was not very sound financially at the time of the Rising.

While I cannot state it definitely, I have no doubt whatever, that Mrs. Pearse was absolutely dependent on her two sons at the time of their execution.

LE.

J. V. Joyce MAJOR.
1st Bureau, General Staff.

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ROINN CHOSANTA
An Fhuireann Gheneralta,
Bureau na Treineala,
GEATA NA PAIRCE,
BAILE ATHA CLIATH.
14 Feabhra, 1928.

CONFIDENTIAL.

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Army Pensions Board.

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(Signed) J. V. Joyce, MAJOR
1st Bureau, General Staff.

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ARMY PENSIONS BOARD,
ST. BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,

REF:- 33/APB/22.

DUBLIN. 16th February, 1928.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Norman Reddin, Esq., Solicitor,
7, D'Olier Street,
DUBLIN.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Army Pensions Board to state that an application for an award under the Army Pensions Act, 1927, has been received from Mrs. Margaret Pearse, of St. Enda's, Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin, in respect of her deceased sons, the late P.H. Pearse and the late William Pearse.

Mrs. Pearse claims that she was wholly dependent on her deceased sons at the time of their death.

The Board understands that you would be in a position to say the extent to which Mrs. Pearse was dependent on her sons, and if you could assist them by letting them have a confidential statement they would be much obliged.

An addressed envelope, which need not be stamped by you, is enclosed for your reply.

Mise le meas,

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PA E
BLACKROCK 57.

NETLEY,

BLACKROCK.

I testify that to the best of my knowledge
and belief Mrs Pearse and Miss Margaret
Pearse were wholly dependent on Patrick
Pearse at the time of his death and in
the years preceding it.

John MacNeill

16 Feb. 1928

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Phone -
Blackrock 57

Netley,
Blackrock.

I testify that to the best of my knowledge and belief Mrs. Pearse and Miss Margaret Pearse were wholly dependent on Patrick Pearse at the time of his death and in the years preceding it.

(Signed) Eoin MacNeill

16th February, 1928.

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REDDIN & REDDIN,
SOLICITORS.

GERARD NORMAN REDDIN,
KENNETH SHEILS REDDIN

Confidential.

TEDCASTLE CHAMBERS,
7 D'OLIER STREET,
DUBLIN. TELEPHONE 4661.

18th Feb. 1928.

The Secretary,
Army Pensions Board,
St. Brigid's Hospital,
Dublin.

A Cara: In re: Mrs. Pearse: Pension Claim.

I received your letter of the 16th inst., regarding the Application under the Army Pensions Act 1927 of Mrs. Margaret Pearse of St. Endas's Rathfarnham, County Dublin which Application is for a Pension or Award in respect of her deceased's sons the late P.H. Pearse and the late William Pearse.

I have acted as Solicitor for Mrs. Pearse and her family for a very considerable number of years past and was intimately acquainted with both her affairs and the affairs of her family and am so intimately acquainted up to the present date. I have no hesitation whatsoever in stating that Mrs. Pearse was solely and absolutely dependent on the earnings of her deceased sons and to my own knowledge she was possessed of no means whatever and no property.

This information is of course given to you in the strictest possible confidence and I need hardly add that any further information you may require I shall be only too happy to supply on hearing from you.

Mise,
Le moy meas:

G. Norman Reddin

(COPY)

REDDIN & REDDIN,
Solicitors.

Tedcastle Chambers,
7, D'Olier St.,
DUBLIN.

18th February, 1928.

CONFIDENTIAL

The Secretary,
Army Pensions Board,
St. Brigid's Hospital,
DUBLIN.

A Chara:--

In re:-- Mrs Pearse:
PENSION CLAIM.

I received your letter of the 16th instant regarding the application under the Army Pensions Act, 1927, of Mrs. Margaret Pearse of St. Endas, Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin, which application is for a pension or award in respect of her deceased sons the late P.H. Pearse and the late William Pearse.

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This information is of course given to you in the strictest possible confidence and I need hardly add that any further information you may require I shall be only too happy to supply on hearing from you.
Mise, le mor, meas,

(Signed) G. NORMAN REDDIN.

Portobello Barracks,
Dublin.

18th. February. 1927.

This is to certify that I knew Mrs. Pearse and Miss Margaret Pearse for upwards of eight years prior to the death of Padraic Pearse (son of the former and sister of the latter). During that time they were, to the best of my knowledge and belief, totally dependent upon Padraic Pearse, and continued so to the date of his death. There was nothing, of which I was aware, to indicate that they had at any time been otherwise. I was also acquainted with Miss Mary Bridget Pearse (another sister of Padraic Pearse) and understood her too, to be partially, if not wholly,

2.

dependent on him. During
the period mentioned I
attended Purdue Pease's
School as a pupil, and
was in close personal
contact with all the persons
I have mentioned. At
least two years of it I
spent as a boarding
pupil.

Walter H. H. H.
Major.

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PORTOBELLO BARRACKS

DUBLIN?

18th, February, 1927.

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There was nothing of which I was aware to indicate that they had at any time been otherwise. I was also acquainted with Miss Mary Bridget Pearse (another sister of Padraic Pearse) and understood her too to be partially, if not wholly, dependent on him. During the period mentioned I attended Padraic Pearse's school as a pupil, and was in close personal contact with all the persons I have mentioned. At least two years of it I spent as a boarding pupil.

(Signed) Niall McNeill

Major.

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23 FEB. 1928

PENSIONS BOARD

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

REPORT ON A CLAIM FOR AN ALLOWANCE OR GRATUITY.

Ref. No.....

Ref. No...33/APB/22.

To the Army Pensions Board.

To the Minister for Defence.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit the accompanying claim for investigation and report in accordance with Section 7 of the Army Pensions Act, 1927, and the Regulations made thereunder. The report should take the form of replies to the questions set out herewith.

The following members of the Army Pensions Board attended:—

Mr. G. Nicolls.

Dr. C. Dickson.

Major T. McKinney.

The report of the Board on application for allowance or gratuity in respect of the death of

the late General

Date...14 JAN 1928

Claim of PEARSE, Mrs Margaret Patrick H. Pearse, I.V.

St Endas

Rathfarnham

Co Dublin

is as follows:—

in respect of the death of sons.

P. H. Pearse + William Pearse

(Where the findings of the Board are not unanimous, separate reports signed by the individual members of the Board should be furnished).

Date...14 JAN 1928

Signed S. MacMahon
Chairman of the Board.

Date...22/2/1928

1. What was the cause of the death of the person in respect of whom the claim is made?

Execution.

2. From what disability or disabilities did deceased suffer?

See (1) above.

3. Was death due solely to such disability or disabilities, and was such attributable to service? If death was due to more than one disability, it should be so specified.

Death due to execution
attributable to service.

4. If so due, specify as regards the following Forces:—

- (a) the Irish Volunteers, or
- (b) the Irish Citizen Army, 1916, or
- (c) the National Army.

Irish Volunteers.

in each case under 2, the date or period when, in the opinion of the Board, the disability which was the cause of death was incurred.

3rd May, 1916.

5. Were any of the disabilities under 2 due to any serious negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased person?

No.

6. In case there are more disabilities than one, as set out in question 2, was death solely to wound or to disease, having regard to the provisions of Section 14 (9) and 15 (6) of the Army Pensions Act, 1927.

N.A.

7. Were there any special circumstances connected with this case which the Board consider should be taken into consideration by the Minister?

No.

"The Board having considered this case found that the applicant was totally dependent on the late General Patrick H. Pearse, and recommend that the usual allowance be awarded.

Section 4 (2) of the Army Pensions Act, 1927 will apply in this case."

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To/

Secretary.
Army Pensions Board.

Re File No. 33/a.P.B./22 in the case
of Mrs Margaret Pearse

kindly note that I have extracted, and am retaining

Form No. A.P.21, and have on this date

opened an Account under Reference No. 672.

in this Claimant's name.

£1—

per week.

1.4.22 to 29.4.27

Award. £2—

per annum
per week.

from 30/4/27 to —

File is returned herewith.

J. H. Morgan

3/5/28.

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MINUTE SHEET.

M.S.C.
(Argumite)

Reference.....

Mr Blunden

*Files 33/APB/22 - Mrs Leese
+ APB/673 Mrs Leese*

returned herewith both thanks.

*M. Leese
10/4/30*

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Ref. No. P.Q.2/31.

The following Dail Question for Wednesday, 4th March, 1931, addressed to the Minister for Finance, has been sent to this Department for reply by the Minister for Defence:-

"To ask the Minister for Finance if he will state what is the annual allowance or pension voted to the Widows of the Signatories to the Republican Proclamation of 1916; whether such allowance is subject to Income Tax, and, if so, what amount was so collected for each year since 1926. - Dr. James Lydon."

Draft Reply.

The annual allowance payable to the Widows of the Signatories to the Republican Proclamation of 1916 is £180 each. This allowance is in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1923, as amended by Section 4(2) of the Army Pensions Act, 1927. The allowances are subject to Income Tax, and the total amount of Tax deducted from the allowances since 1926, is £52:13:0., made up as follows:-

Financial Year	1927/28	£28:7:0.
"	" 1928/29	£12:3:0.
"	" 1929/30	£12:3:0.

Supplementary Information.

The Widows referred to are:-

Mrs. Clarke,
Mrs. Connolly,
Mrs. Ceannt,
Mrs. Plunkett.

An allowance of £80 per annum is being paid to Miss Barbara McDonagh, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas McDonagh. This allowance will continue to be paid to Miss McDonagh until she reaches the age of 21. Allowances were also granted to the children of Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Connolly, and Mrs. Ceannt, but these allowances ceased when the children reached the statutory age limit, viz. 18 in the case of boys, and 21 in the case of girls.

The only person from whose allowance Income Tax was deducted is Mrs. Ceannt, and the amount deducted, viz. £52:13:0. was deducted as follows:-

November, 1928	-	£6.
December, 1928	-	£6.
January, 1929	-	£6.
February, 1929	-	£6.
March, 1929	-	£4:7:0.

and £2 per month for the period from April, 1929, to February, 1930, inclusive, a final deduction of £2:6:0. being made in March, 1930.

The mother (Mrs. Pearse) of one of the Signatories is in receipt of an allowance of £2 per week, and the sum of £22:16:7. was deducted from her allowance, in respect of Income Tax for the Financial Year 1929/30, as follows:-

£2 per month from March, 1930, to January, 1931, inclusive, and 16s.7d. for the month of February, 1931.

The Tax in any case is debited on instructions received from the Revenue Commissioners.

/NMR.

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Tagairt

Mrs. Pearse

Oileach

Dad nothing for family other than
providing for his mother. (Tab. Mary file).

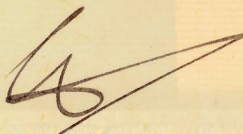
Mary Bridget

Widow

Margaret

Always provided for herself by teaching

Note: Mrs. Pearse died 23 April 1932!


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