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## Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

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

This form must be filled in by every person who seeks a Service Certificate, and must be signed by him, and signature witnessed, on or before the 31st day of December, 1935. 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).

SINNOTT  
SURNAME.

THOMAS D.  
CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS.

(to be written in  
block capitals).

CARRIG RUAD  
WEXFORD

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

(a) This form is divided into three parts. Part I. is to be completed where the applicant had, in addition to the required pre-Truce Service, Service in the Forces in the period commencing the 1st July, 1922. Part II. is to be completed where the applicant's qualifying service in the Forces was pre-Truce only. Only one of those two parts is to be completed by any one applicant. Part III. is of general application and should be completed by all applicants.

(b) Before completing particulars as to rank the applicant should read carefully the First Schedule to the Act and also the definitions of the expressions "first critical date" and "second critical date" which are appended to this form for the information of applicants. He should then complete his replies to the questions in the terms of Rules 1 and 2 of the First Schedule which are applicable to his case, e.g. :—

was "a Divisional Adjutant" or

was "a Battalion Quartermaster whose Battalion was (at the critical date) not less than one hundred in strength," or

was "an officer of Fianna Eireann commanding one hundred members or more."

If applicant's case falls within either Rule 3 or Rule 4 of the First Schedule full particulars of the claim as required by those Rules should be given, if necessary, in a separate statement.

(c) 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.

(d) "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. 19 (1) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934).



- (e) "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. 19 (2) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934).

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

SERVICE IN THE FORCES, THAT IS IN THE FOLLOWING MILITARY BODIES, OGLAIGH NA h-EIREANN (IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY) OR IN THE IRISH VOLUNTEERS OR IN THE IRISH CITIZEN ARMY OR IN FIANNA EIREANN OR IN THE HIBERNIAN RIFLES OR IN CUMANN NA mBAN.

For each of the periods set out in Parts I. and II. 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 reputable references who can verify your service.

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 the First Dail Eireann or of the Second Dail Eireann ;
- (d) Absence from duty while under arrest, as a result of activities as a member of the Forces.

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.

#### PART I.

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANTS WHO HAD PRE AND POST TRUCE SERVICE IN THE FORCES \* AS FOLLOWS :—

- (a) who served in the Forces at any time during the week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916,
- or
- (b) who served in the Forces continuously during either of the following periods, the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1920, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1921,
- or
- (c) the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921,

*and in addition*

who served in the Forces at any time during the period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923.

\* The following Military Bodies, and those only, are included in the term "the Forces," viz. :—

Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army) or  
the Irish Volunteers, or  
the Irish Citizen Army, or  
Fianna Eireann, or  
the Hibernian Rifles, or  
Cumann na mBan.



(1). ACTIVE SERVICE AT ANY TIME DURING THE WEEK COMMENCING ON THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 1916.

- (a) Did you render active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916. If so,  
from what date in that week ?.....
- (b) Unit or Units.....
- (c) Duration (giving dates) of service.....
- (d) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....
- .....
- (e) Officer Commanding in each instance.....
- (f) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? .....
- .....
- (g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during  
the week.....
- (h) Absence from duty and cause.....
- (i) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(2). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD COMPRISING—

- (a) period from 1st April, 1916, to 22nd April, 1916, and  
(b) period from 30th April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.
- (a) Unit or Units.....
- (b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....
- .....
- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....
- .....
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? .....
- .....
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during  
the period.....
- .....
- (g) Absence from duty and cause.....



(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(3). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1917, TO 31ST MARCH, 1918.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(4). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....



(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(5). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1919, TO 31ST MARCH, 1920.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(6). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1920, TO 31ST MARCH, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....



(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(7). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1921, TO 11TH JULY, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....



(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(8). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 12TH JULY, 1921, TO 30TH JUNE, 1922.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(9). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST JULY, 1922, TO 31ST MARCH, 1923.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....



(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(10). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1923, TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1923.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.



## PART II.

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANTS WHOSE QUALIFYING SERVICE IN THE FORCES\* WAS PRE-TRUCE ONLY, i.e.:—

(a) who served in the Forces at any time during the week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916,

or

(b) who served in the Forces continuously during the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921.

(a) During the week commencing April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1916.....

(b) Absent in Jail.....

(1). ACTIVE SERVICE AT ANY TIME DURING WEEK COMMENCING ON 23RD APRIL, 1916.

(a) Did you render active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916? If so, from what date in that week. Under arms from 23<sup>rd</sup>.....

(b) Unit or Units. Enniserry.....

(c) Duration (giving dates) of service. (24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> & morning of 31<sup>st</sup> (active from 26<sup>th</sup>).....

(d) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

Enniserry and district.....

(e) Officer Commanding in each instance. Seamas Raffin (decd.).....

(f) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? In armed revolt against British control.....

(g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the week. Thursday morning: to country mobilising, collecting of pike from premises of W. Doyle; raiding Donohoe's store for munitions; arresting from noon on Thursday: of Express and Inquest, inspection of cartage, etc.

(h) Absence from duty and cause.....

None.....

\* The following Military Bodies, and those only, are included in the term "the Forces," viz.:—

Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army), or  
the Irish Volunteers, or  
the Irish Citizen Army, or  
Fianna Eireann, or  
the Hibernian Rifles, or  
Cumann na mBan.



(i) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
P. P. Galligan	Post Office Buildings, Henry St., Dublin
Seamas Doyle	Strahart, Ballyvaughan, Fenns
Patrick Keegan	Irish Street, Ennisceathy

(2). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD COMPRISING:—

- (a) period from 1st April, 1916, to 22nd April, 1916;  
 (b) period from 30th April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

- (a) Unit or Units..... Ennisceathy.....  
 (b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... During Easter Week and  
 from January 1917.....  
 (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....  
 Ennisceathy.....  
 (d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... Self Capt. J. G. (B) to re-organisation.....  
 (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?..... Active in all  
 jail trouble and re-organised immediately on release.....  
 (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during  
 the period..... Dec. (1) for Easter Week. Hub leader, Room leader,  
 Member of Camp Council and constant active for "meeting  
 and inciting to meeting" at Mangoch.....  
 (g) Absence from duty and cause..... From May 1917 to Christmas  
 1917 in Jail and Camp.....  
 (h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Richard A. Mulcahy, T.D.	Leinster House Dublin
Seamus Murphy	L.F. Inspector, Custom House Dublin
M. W. O'Reilly	New Ireland Ass., Dawson St., Dublin

(3). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1917, TO 31ST MARCH, 1918.

- (a) Unit or Units..... Ennisceathy.....  
 (b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... Whole period.....  
 (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered..... County of Wexford,  
 parts of Kilkenny & Waterford.....



- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *M. W. O'Reilly, Bde Capt.*
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *As deputy Bde Adj. & later Bde Adj. organised Brigade*
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Brought half Co. to Waterford for election. Several skirmishes. Organised manufacture of explosives in area. Arranged depots, changed arms. Established Intelligence service.*
- (g) Absence from duty and cause. *None*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>M. W. O'Reilly</i>	<i>New Ireland Ass. Co. Dawson St. Dublin</i>
<i>Patrick Keegan</i>	<i>Fish St. Inniscorthy</i>
<i>Richard A. Mulcahy</i>	<i>T.D. Keirste House Dublin</i>

(4). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

- (a) Unit or Units. *Wexford Bde.*
- (b) Duration (giving dates) of service. *April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 30<sup>th</sup>*
- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. *Wexford County and adjoining Counties*
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *M. W. O'Reilly, Bde Capt.; self acting Bde Capt.*
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *i.e. Brigade from August; directed raids for arms, organised, trained & inspected Companies; manufactured explosives etc.*
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Complete Bde organisation as Capt.; arranged lines of communication; assisted manufacturing party; directed raids for arms. Responsible for propaganda. As V. Capt. i/c parade for Raffe funeral. Engaged in manufacture of explosives when Raffe was killed.*
- (g) Absence from duty and cause. *Arrested - Cork Jail seven months. Prisoner Capt. during strike from Jan. 1919. Surrendered by C.H. Ship taken over by military under Capt. Field*



(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
M. W. O'Reilly	New Ireland Ass. Co. Dawson St., Dublin
Thomas Traynor	St. Michael's, Faythe, Wexford
Patrick Kegan	Irish St., Ennisclayke

(5). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1919, TO 31ST MARCH, 1920.

(a) Unit or Units..... *Wexford Bde*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *From May 1919 Bde Cmdr*

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered..... *Wexford County*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Self 15 Feb. - P. Leman*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Took part in and directed any activities carried out*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Provided at Volunteer courts and dealt with Criminal Offenders; directed raids for arms; one of three in front of Clonsilla Bks. at attack; taking of 2,000 lbs. of shot etc.*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *Month of April in Cork Jail*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Dr. J. Ryan T.D.	Kendalstown Delgany, Bray
James O'Leary	Main St. Ennisclayke
R. A. Mulcahy T.D.	Leinster House, Dublin

(6). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1920, TO 31ST MARCH, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units..... *B. Co. No 1. Ballin. Wexford Bde & Capt North Wexford Bde*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *From 1<sup>st</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> Dec as provell B Co. From Dec 1<sup>st</sup> to arrest Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> Capt North Wexford Bde*

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered..... *Wexford & Kilkenny Counties*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *P. Leman & Self*



(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *On run ~*

*Wanted full period*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Arrangin. car for Bellingham Bk. attack; car & intelligence*

*for —; Buying of R.I.C. Bks (wasted); As Chm. of Graduates  
General connection with I.S.B.; refused facilities to military; Chm. Constitution Conf. etc.*

(g) Absence from duty and cause. *Arrest Nov. 1920; Ennisclitty, Waterford,  
Kilworth, Cork Jail; via Belfast to Ballykinlar. Periodic torture during  
Six weeks after arrest.*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>James O'Leary</i>	<i>Main St. Ennisclitty</i>
<i>John Whelan</i>	<i>Mental Hospital, Ennisclitty</i>
<i>Seamus Doyle</i>	<i>Ballypankin, Strahart, Kerns</i>

(7). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1921, TO 11TH JULY, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units. *North Wexford Bde*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause. *Ballykinlar Camp full period. Member of  
Camp Council; lecturer on explosives; active in strikes etc.*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>Seamus Doyle</i>	<i>Ballypankin, Strahart, Kerns</i>
<i>Leo Henderson</i>	<i>M.D. 4. (Asst. Chm.) Dublin</i>
<i>Thomas Traynor</i>	<i>Co-operative Stores, The Castle, Wexford</i>



## PART III.

## GENERAL.

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS.

- (1). State in terms of the First Schedule to the Act the rank and nature of appointment held on the first and second critical dates, respectively:—

(a) On first critical date.

D. (Capt. in charge of Ingers & Co.)

(b) On second critical date.

C. Bde Capt. Ingers less than 1,000.

References who can testify as to your statements:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Seamus Doyle, Ballyprankin, Strabane, Co. Tyrone.  
 Joseph Cunningham, Coolmain, Dylegate.  
 Patrick Kegan, Dist. Strabane, Inishcortey.  
 M. W. O'Reilly, New Moorfield, Roebuck, Co. Dublin.

- (2). Did you serve in the National Army as well as in the Forces on the 1st July, 1922, or on any subsequent date. If so, did you apply for a certificate of military service under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and, if so, with what result. If you did not so apply, give your reasons for not doing so.

No.

- (3). If you did not serve in both the National Army and the Forces on the 1st July, 1922, or on any subsequent date—state whether you applied for a Certificate of Military Service under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and, if so, with what result.

No.



(4). Did you apply for a wound or disability pension under any of the following Acts ? :—

Army Pensions Act, 1923.

Army Pensions Act, 1927.

Army Pensions Act, 1932.

If so, with what result.

No.

(5). Have you applied for, or are you in receipt of Unemployment Assistance under the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1933 ? If so, quote the number of your qualification certificate .....

No.

(6). Were you a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921 ? If so, give the dates between which you served.....

(7). Are you now, or were you at any time during the period for which you claim service, in receipt of any remuneration, or allowance payable out of public moneys, 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.....

Since 1922 Secretary to Wexford Board of Health  
and Public Assistance, salary £500 per a.  
Institution £62

(8). Are you in receipt of any pension in respect of service :—

- (a) As a member of the Civil Service.
- (b) As a member of the Garda Síochána.
- (c) As a member of any other Police Force.
- (d) As a member of the Prisons Service.
- (e) As a National School Teacher.
- (f) As a Secondary School Teacher.



- (g) As an Officer of any Local Authority.  
 (h) In any other employment.

If so, give details... *Secretary to Wexford Board of Health*  
*and Public Assistance - salary £500 per an.;*  
*Emoluments £100 per annum.*

NOTE.—You will subsequently have to furnish any further particulars and to submit any evidence which the Minister for Defence, or the Referee appointed under the Military Service Pensions Act, or any person or persons duly authorised by them may require in connection with this application for a Service certificate. In this connection attention is directed to the fact that Section 8 (4) 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.

*Vice-President (acting President) of Sinn Féin Constituency Executive.*  
*Trustee of Constituency Conscriptive Fund. Propagandist for I.R. & I.R.A.*  
*and Sinn Féin using also for this purpose; Chairman of Constituency*  
*Committee of I.R. Cont.; Chairman of Bd. of Guardians, Tech. Committee, etc.;*  
*Cons. Director of Industries.*

Signature (or Mark) of Applicant

*Thomas D. Summott*  
*Carnegie Road, Wexford*

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

*James McCormack*

Address of Witness

*Ardeevin*  
*Wexford*

Qualification

*Peace Commissioner*

Date

*Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> 1935*

\* Witness must be 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 Síochána.
- 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.
- A Notary Public.
- A Consul-General.
- A Consul.
- A Vice-Consul.



## APPENDIX.

## FIRST SCHEDULE.

## RULES FOR DETERMINING NOTIONAL GRADES OF RANK IN THE FORCES HELD BY PERSONS SERVING IN THE FORCES.

1.—(1) Any person who at any date was either Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, Adjutant General, a Divisional Officer Commanding, or Quartermaster General shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank A.

(2) Any person who at any date was either—

- (a) a General Headquarters Officer acting as Director of any one of the following services, namely Organisation, Intelligence, Engineering and Munitions, or
- (b) a Brigade Officer Commanding whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength,

shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank B.

(3) Any person who at any date was either—

- (a) a Brigade Officer Commanding whose brigade at that date was less than one thousand in strength, or
- (b) a Divisional Vice Officer Commanding, or
- (c) a Divisional Adjutant, or
- (d) a Divisional Quartermaster, or
- (e) a Battalion Commandant whose battalion was at that date not less than three hundred in strength, or
- (f) a Brigade Vice Officer Commanding whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength, or
- (g) a Brigade Adjutant whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength, or
- (h) a Brigade Quartermaster whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength, or
- (i) a Column Commander whose column was at that date not less than thirty in strength, or
- (j) a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of Medical Services, or
- (k) a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of any Service, other than that of Medical Services, or one of the Services mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) of the immediately preceding paragraph,

shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank C.

(4) A person who at any date—

- (a) was a Battalion Commandant whose battalion at that date was less than three hundred in strength, or
- (b) was a Company Captain whose company at that date was not less than sixty in strength, or
- (c) was, at that date, a Captain on the General Headquarters Staff or on a Divisional Staff, or
- (d) was, in the case of a company which at that date was not less than one hundred and twenty in strength, where the company had at that date one Lieutenant only, such Lieutenant or, where the company had at that date two Lieutenants only, one or other of such Lieutenants, or, where the company had at that date three or more Lieutenants, one or other of the two Lieutenants who were at that date respectively second and third in command, or
- (e) was, in the case of a company which at that date was less than one hundred and twenty in strength but not less than one hundred in strength, where such company had at that date one Lieutenant only, such Lieutenant or where such company had at that date two or more Lieutenants, the Lieutenant who was at that date second in command, or
- (f) was a Brigade Officer, other than a Brigade Officer who is deemed by virtue of paragraph (2) or (3) of this Rule to have held at that date either Rank B or Rank C, or
- (g) was a Battalion Vice Officer Commanding whose battalion at that date was not less than one hundred in strength, or
- (h) was a Battalion Adjutant whose battalion was at that date not less than one hundred in strength, or
- (i) was a Battalion Quartermaster whose battalion was at that date not less than one hundred in strength, or



- (j) was a General Headquarters Officer other than a General Headquarters Officer who was at that date acting as a Director of any Service, or
- (k) was a Divisional Officer other than a Divisional Officer Commanding, a Divisional Vice Officer Commanding, a Divisional Adjutant or a Divisional Quartermaster, or
- (l) was a Column Commander whose column at that date was less than thirty in strength, or
- (m) was a Medical Officer other than a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of Medical Services,

shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank D.

(5) Any person who complies with the following conditions, namely :—

- (a) was at any date an officer, and
- (b) is not deemed by virtue of any of the preceding paragraphs of this Rule to have held at that date any grade of rank,

shall be deemed for the purposes of this Act to have held at that date Rank E.

(6) Any person who at any date held the rank of non-commissioned officer or private shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank E.

(7) None of the foregoing provisions of this Rule shall apply to any person who at any date was a member of Fianna Eireann or of Cumann na mBan and was not at any date a member of Oglagh na hEireann (Irish Republican Army) or of the Irish Volunteers, and in lieu thereof the following provisions shall have effect in relation to any such person, that is to say :—

(a) any person who at any date :—

- (i) was a member of the headquarters staff or executive of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan, or
- (ii) was an officer of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan commanding one hundred members or more of either of those bodies, or
- (iii) was an officer of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan senior to an officer of either of those bodies commanding one hundred members or more of either of those bodies,

shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank D, and

- (b) any person who at any date was a member of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan and who is not deemed by virtue of the foregoing sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph to have held Rank D, shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank E.

2. Where an officer whose grade of rank at any date is, under Rule I of this Schedule, to be determined both by his actual rank in the Forces and the strength of the unit to which he belonged at that date, and such officer is, at that date, absent from duty by reason of imprisonment on account of his activities as a member of the Forces, the following provisions shall, for the purposes of the said Rule I, have effect in relation to such officer, that is to say :—

- (a) such officer shall be deemed to have held at that date the actual rank in the Forces which he held at the date of his arrest, and
- (b) such unit shall be deemed to be at that date at the same strength as it was at the time of his arrest.

3. Where the case of any person does not fall within the provisions of Rule I of this Schedule, the Referee may determine the particular grade of rank which such person is to be deemed to have held on any date, and in so determining the Referee shall have regard to the following matters, that is to say :—

- (a) the appointment held by such person,
- (b) the services performed by such person,
- (c) the principles of grading set forth in the said Rule I.

4. Where any person, whose case at a particular date falls within the provisions of Rule I of this Schedule, was, at that date, engaged in service of a special character, the Referee may, in making his report under this Act in relation to the grade of rank held by such person on such date, report that the grade of rank held by him on such date is a grade of rank higher than the grade which, but for this Rule, would be the grade of rank held by him on that date.

#### DEFINITION OF THE FIRST AND SECOND CRITICAL DATES.

1. In the case of a person who served in the Forces during the period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923,



The expression "the first critical date" means the 11th day of July, 1921; and the expression "the second critical date" means:—

- (a) in the case of a person who served in the Forces on the 1st day of July, 1922, the 1st day of July, 1922 and
- (b) in the case of a person who did not serve in the Forces on the 1st day of July, 1922, but who served in the Forces at any time during the period commencing on the 2nd day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, the date during that period on which such person first served in the Forces.

2. In the case of a person who did not serve in the Forces during the period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, but who has either:—

- (a) served in the Forces at any time during the week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916, or
- (b) served in the Forces continuously during the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921,

the expression "the first critical date" shall be construed as meaning the date during the said week, or if he did not serve during the said week, during the said period, on which he first served in the Forces in such week or such period (as the case may be), and

the expression "the second critical date" shall be construed as meaning the earliest date in the period between the first critical date in respect of such person, and the 12th day of July, 1921, on which such person held his highest rank in such last-mentioned period in the Forces.

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SWORN STATEMENT made before THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE on  
1st JULY, 1936, by THOMAS D. SINNOTT. (24701).

Q. When were you appointed Captain?

A. Immediately on the reorganisation - about March, 1917.

Q. On the 1st Critical Date, you claim rank "D" - you say "Captain in charge of Ingress and Egress."

A. I was appointed Captain of "B" in March, 1917. When the Brigade was formed - when the boys were released from ~~xxxx~~ penal servitude, about June, 1917, I was appointed ~~xxxx~~ Deputy Brigade Adjutant. I still retained Captaincy of "B" Company. Brennan Whitmore was appointed Adjutant. He did not act, and I became Adjutant of the Brigade. Before the end of 1917, I became Brigade Adjutant.

Q. Were you that down to the Truce?

A. No. I was Commandant later. Next I became Vice-Commandant of the Brigade in 1918 - in about January, 1918. I became Brigade Commandant in September, 1919. At the time the woman was shot, I was courtmartialled. She was shot by fellows raiding for arms. I was courtmartialled, and reduced in the ranks for three months, and restored in October, 1920.

Q. Were you restored to the full thing again?

A. I was appointed Commandant of the North Wexford Brigade.

Q. What three months were you back to Private's rank?

A. It would be probably July, August, and September, 1920. I will not be definite about that - it was the summer period.

Q. What were you doing while you were a Private?

A. I did more than ever in my life. The first thing I did was to arrange the transport, and everything else, for the Lee Wilson job.

Q. You did not sulk at home?

A. No. I was not allowed to sulk. I had far less responsibility as a Private, and, I am afraid, I did more work.

Q. You were Brigade O.C. at the Truce?

A. I was in gaol from November.

Q. You were arrested in November?

A. Yes, 21st November, 1920.

Q. How many men were in your Brigade when you were arrested in November?

A. Roughly I would say about 900 men. The Brigade Lists are being made out, and everybody on these lists was a member of the Company.

Q. Were you Brigade O.C. on 1st July, 1922?

A. No. I took no part at all after.

Q. You were not in the Civil War?

A. No.

Q. You were in Easter Week?

A. I was.



Q. Your first critical date would vary if you were in Easter Week. Were you a Captain in Easter Week?

A. I was so appointed on the Thursday morning. I started in Dundalk on the formation of the Volunteers. I came to Enniscorthy in 1915, and became attached in that time to "A" Company.

Q. You were mobilised on Sunday?

A. We were mobilised on Friday, but it was called off.

(Q. What were you doing on Sunday?

A. I was in Enniscorthy, doing nothing. We were mobilised on Friday for a route march, and we were still there on Sunday, but we were not together. I was not at Headquarters - there were only six there.

Q. Were they the only men who knew about the Rising?

A. Forty-two men in Enniscorthy knew all about the Rising.

Q. Did you know about it?

A. I did.

Q. What was your position - you were keeping yourself ready in case of a Rising?

A. Yes.

Q. You were standing-to then?

A. Yes.

Q. On Monday, what did you do?

A. On Monday, we definitely went to the Volunteer H.Qrs., in Mary Street, locally known as 'Antwerp.' We remained there, and hoped for the best.

Q. You went home that night?

A. Yes.

Q. With nothing decided on?

A. On Tuesday, it was the same way. We had two ladies down from Dublin who brought different sort of orders. These two ladies brought a definite order for Insurrection. Jerry ~~XXXXXXXX~~ O'Connell (Ginger) was in charge of our Area, and he had come there on Sunday, and he was there on Monday, and he had definite orders from Owen MacNeill not to go out.

Q. He was there on Tuesday?

A. He went on to Carlow on Tuesday. We had an order on Monday.

Q. When they brought down this order it came addressed to him, and he said we will not act?

A. Yes. He had Owen MacNeill's order.

Q. What happened then?

A. Seamus Doyle followed O'Connell to Carlow on Tuesday. Seamus Doyle was Brigade Adjutant.

Q. Was he the next man to take charge?

A. No - Seamus Rafter. Doyle went after O'Connell to Carlow with the order, and gave it to him in Borris; another order had been received by them there confirming the order issued by Owen MacNeill.



Q. What happened then?

A. Doyle returned, and went to Wexford to get in touch with Sean Sinnott. I had no power to do one thing or the other.

Q. The week passed, so far as you were concerned .....

A. Till Wednesday night, when it was definitely decided by the Battalion Council to go out.

Q. That is, yourself decided it?

A. Yes. Peter Galligan arrived from Dublin. He said he had had an interview with Pearce who said we could best assist by holding the railway.

Q. When had he the interview with Pearce?

A. It would be Wednesday morning. He saw Pearce in the G.P.O. in Dublin, and it was his wish that we would hold the railway.

Q. What railway was it?

A. The railway from Rosslare to Dublin.

Q. What did you do then?

A. The Battalion Council then met, and by a majority decided to go out, immediately after Galligan's arrival.

Q. What did you do?

A. There was a party immediately detailed to break the railway at the Bora Bridge. That was on Wednesday night. They already had had an encounter with police at the Boro Bridge. They did not succeed in breaking it. When they went there, they found the police there.

Q. Were the police watching them?

A. They were apparently watching the railway. There were several shots exchanged.

Q. Were you in that?

A. No.

Q. Where were you?

A. I was in Enniscorthy, at Headquarters, and I was sent home at about ten o'clock.

Q. Who went out in charge of the operation of breaking the railway?

A. I think John Tomkins. There were Seamus O'Brien, Tomkins - there were four. I do not remember all their names. Tomkins got 20 years afterwards. He was captured.

Q. What happened on Thursday?

A. I was sent home, and told to mobilise for 4 o'clock on Thursday morning. The Company fell in - about 40 men, and arms were given out, whatever arms were there, and Donoghue's Stores were taken, and the Atheneum, or Town Hall, was taken over, and the men were detailed to drive the R.I.C. in off the town.



Q. Did the R.I.C. not see you marching to these places?

A. This was at 4 or 5 o'clock in the morning.

Q. Were they there?

A. They were, on the town. There were several shots exchanged whilst we were taking over the Atheneum. I was at the Atheneum. There were some men sent out to see if there were any R.I.C. on the town, and they got those orders to drive them in before we started for the Atheneum. We started in Irish Street, and they were sent in different directions. One of the Officers, Seamus Rafter who was in command, suggested that the police were not to be shot or fired at unless they themselves showed fight. He said it was against the British, we were. One policeman exchanged several shots. He was afterwards shot. I will not say how many were out. They retreated to the Barrack, except one, Grace, who fired shots. The minute our men appeared, the others knew what was up, and they cleared; but this fellow dropped into a doorway in John Street, and exchanged five w shots with a man named Mick Cahill.

Q. Is Cahill there still?

A. He is still alive. I am nearly sure it was he who was in John Street.

Q. Where were you?

A. I was sent out the country.

Q. Was that on Thursday?

A. It was on Thursday morning at about 6.30 o'clock. I was sent to try to get in touch with Phil Lennon. He was Battalion Commandant in Ross, and was supposed to bring the Ross men on to Clonroche, or towards Clonroche. I went as far as Clonroche, and got no touch with them, and came back another road into Enniscorthy, and arrived at about 8.30 or 9 o'clock in the morning - Thursday morning. I went out one road, and came back the other.

Q. What was the next thing you did?

A. The next thing, I was detailed with two men and a horse and cart to raid Donoghue's Stores for anything that might be there. It was a big General Stores. We used to raid it very often - about every two weeks. They had all kinds of stuff. I returned with fuse, and black powder, but no cartridges this time; I was sent to James Cleary and Matt Holbrook. They were Munition Makers. Cleary made moulds, etc. - they were in the town - and I brought whatever pikeheads and bayonets that they had made there. Each time, on our way back, we had to cross the bridge, and we were under fire from the police in the Barracks. There was a continual exchange of shots. The police tried to wreck the bridge from the Barracks.

Q. Thursday was your first day under fire?

A. Yes. It was the same for everybody in Enniscorthy, except Tomkins and Cleary who went to the Boro (?).



Q. What were you doing then?

A. I was then sent down to bring in prisoners - two farmers, and one shopkeeper who had come from Dublin. Then I was appointed to the job I held from that to the end. I was appointed Captain.

Q. Was this Thursday?

A. Yes. I was put in charge of ingress and egress. No person could get into or out of the town without a Pass from me.

Q. Where were you?

A. I was in the Atheneum. I had a staff there.

Q. You were in control of the civilian population?

A. Yes, and Michael de Lacy controlled foodstuffs, etc.

Q. How many men had you under you as Captain?

A. That number would vary. I had always about half at Headquarters. I had a motor-car, and driver, and probably ten other men who acted as messengers, and relief, etc. The number varied.

Q. You are not suggestion that it would bring you rank?

A. No.

Q. Was Thursday the only day in which there was any firing in this Period?

A. I think that that would be right. There would be an occasional shot.

Q. There was no fighting or an attempt to fight?

A. No. The general opinion was, if it lasted, that the R.I.C. would have to surrender. They were without food, tobacco, etc. - we left them the water supply though we could have cut it off.

Q. Your orders were not to attack but to defend?

You were really making every effort to confine attack to the military, and regard the police as a police force, but if they attempted to use force - ?

A. We would also use force.

Q. Your week finished up by carrying out your duties?

A. Our week did not finish till the following Tuesday morning. I brought two rifles from the Atheneum on Tuesday morning.... There was a certain number of men who did not finish till Tuesday. The Military came in some time on Monday evening. The six men who signed the Surrender gave themselves up that evening. Bob Brennan, and Dick King signed on behalf of Wexford town.

Q. And they handed in arms?

A. They promised to do so, but there was a certain number of the men who did not effect that promise. There was a large number of pikes left there, and some shot-guns; the effective rifles ~~where~~ we endeavoured to take away. There was a Surrender negotiated, and a promise made with Colonel French.



Q. You continued carrying out your job till Tuesday morning?

A. Yes, and then I brought two rifles from Enniscorthy to Tomahassig (?), about three miles outside Enniscorthy. We buried them. They were afterwards resurrected.

Q. You were arrested then?

A. Yes. I was arrested at about 12 o'clock on Tuesday.

Q. When were you released?

A. At the General Release - Christmas Day, 1916. Whilst in gaol, I was courtmartialled.

2nd Period:

Q. You started on Friday, before Easter Week - was it on Good Friday?

A. Yes.

Q. You did not do any act?

A. No. We got orders to be ready.

Q. All you did was to keep yourself ready?

A. That is all.

3rd Period:

Q. You brought half-company to Waterford for the Elections?

A. I did.

Q. You were ~~Deputy~~ Deputy Brigade Adjutant in June, 1917.

A. I think the date is right.

Q. You organised the manufacture of explosives in the Area?

A. I was a teacher of Chemistry that time. I was teaching in the Brothers in Enniscorthy that time. I was a Science Master there.

Q. Where did you organise this?

A. We converted this place called Antwerp into a Munitions Factory. We had three floors. At the very top of the house there was a furnace, and a selected body of men.

Q. How much time did you spend at this?

A. Every night in the week, for three hours.

Q. Was it full-time?

A. Yes. I would go out for a walk, for possibly half-hour.

Q. What were you making in the Factory?

A. We were making buckshot, filling cartridges, etc. Much of the work done was ~~valueless~~. First it was buck-shot. These were valuable enough, except that they were enjurious to the guns. Secondly, they made bombs; first, a fuse bomb, made with war flour. These bombs were first manufactured with fuse, and afterwards with percussion caps.

Q. How many would be in that factory?

A. An average of fourteen.

Q. Would they be in ordinary jobs in the day-time?

A. Yes. The whole fourteen would not be there every night. There were certain numbers of them who were there every night - for instance Keegan - he never missed an hour in that.



Q. Did we give him service?

A. I could not be sure. He was a cooper by trade, and had a cooperage business. Some of the stuff was sent to Kilkenny, and some to Waterford. McLoughlin got it in Kilkenny, and Lennon (?) in Waterford.

Q. You established an intelligence service?

A. Personally, I was more or less responsible for reorganising the Brigade in 1917. I had my evenings free from 3 o'clock when I finished my work.

Q. You organised the Brigade?

A. Yes. I did actually organise the Brigade.

4th Period:

Q. You completed the Brigade Organisation as Adjutant; you were Vice-Commandant of the Brigade in January, 1918?

A. For a period, I had a dual office - Vice-Commandant and Adjutant. I was in Cork Gaol from November, 1918.

Q. You were arrested in this period?

A. Yes. I was in charge of the big strike in Cork. I was arrested the end of October, or the beginning of November. I was released the end of May of the following year, 1919.

Q. You claim full-time in that period?

A. In so far as any Volunteer was full-time, I was full-time.

Q. You were at it all the time?

A. I was.

Q. Did you do much travelling - going around, and organising?

A. Yes. I did it on a bicycle. I have ridden to Dublin from Wexford at least ten times on a bicycle. It is a distance of about 77 or 78 miles to Dublin.

Q. Is there anything else you want to say?

A. I would like to make another point: when I was released in 1916, I established a shop in Enniscorthy - a Stationery Shop, for the sole purpose of propaganda, and I had it done up in the colours all around. In 1918, they took that shop while I was in gaol. They put in a half-company under Captain Field, who kept everything he found for me, and gave it back to me. They threw everybody who was in it out. And also, there is another thing, I was with Rafter - it was I was making the stuff. He managed an explosion while I was out.

Q. Was this in the Munition Factory?

A. It was, in his own house, about 50 yards from the Munition Factory. Antwerp was well-known. There was always an armed man in the house. We made powder and explosives in the house, and made it up into parcels which were left on the shelves labelled 'Mrs. Murphy, Morrissey, and Malone.' The different Companies came and took what they wanted. The parcels were supposed to contain tea and sugar, and even though the place was raided, no one suspected what was in the parcels. This occurred on 24th or 25th August, 1918. I had made up the cartridge powder, and the explosive powder - a certain quantity of each, and at about nine o'clock the parcels were left on the shelves.



I went out, and was just about 60 yards from the door, when Rafter's place went up. We broke in. We had to put a guard of our own men on the place. For 17 nights and 17 days five men remained there, under arms; they never slept. The police were not allowed in all the time, not till the man was waked. He died eventually. He would not let us go away all the time, but he never told us, even in his delirium, what happened. He was always trying something or other different - the thing had a fascination for him; and he was a man of 44 or 45. His death disorganised the whole thing. Everything fell through after that - we were all caught after that. Up to that it was one of the most active Brigades in the country.

- Q. Did you resume immediately you came out?  
A. Yes, and I started to reorganise the whole Brigade. I resumed as Commandant of the Brigade. I acted as Commandant at Rafter's funeral.

5th Period:

- Q. You presided at the Volunteer Courts, and dealt with criminal offenders; directed raids for arms; you were one of three in front of Clonroche Barracks when attacked, in March, 1920; was that the time of the attack on Clonroche?  
A. Yes, and I was, at that time, a Private. I was put in charge of three men who were sent in front of the Barracks. There were actually about eleven on the attack. (One of them, Maguire, was here, from England.)  
Q. You had a raid for 2,000 gallons of petrol?  
A. Yes.  
Q. Was that on the railway?  
A. Yes. The town was held that night, - the town of Enniscorthy.

6th Period:

- Q. You arranged a car for Baltinglass Bk. attack?  
A. Yes. Gallagher came to me to get the cars, and ? men for the taking of Baltinglass Barracks. It was some time in 1920.  
Q. You would still be on organising work in this period?  
A. During the time I was in the ranks, I was suspended just before Clonroche.  
Q. Were they the wrong months then that you gave us - it must have been March, April, and May.  
A. Possibly.  
Q. In 1920-1921, were you giving all your time?  
A. I was in gaol. I was arrested on the Monday after "Bloody Sunday." I was "on the run" at the time.  
Q. When were you released?  
A. At the General Release - December, 1921.  
Q. They did not try you?  
A. No.  
Q. Were you full-time from April, 1920 to November?  
A. Yes, as far as I could be full-time. I was in charge of all the operations from the time I was restored.



Q. When you were restored you were never busier?  
A. That is true.

Q. Were the crowd down there without arms? Were you North or South Wexford?

A. The Brigade was together till October, 1920. It was Wexford Brigade until then. Up to that time there was very little activity in the South. It only became active in 1920.

Q. You stopped at the Truce?

A. These 42 fellows, who were members of the Company, they were really responsible for what was done in Easter Week. I have a list. These men made this possible; they were working night and day.

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File No.

24701

Name of applicant

Sinnott, Thomas D.

Discussed with

Messrs Albert Brennan

~~11/1/34~~  
26/1/37.

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Ref. No. 24701 APPLICANT'S NAME Linnott, Thomas D.,

For Discussion with Messrs Linnott and Doyle Date 24/6/37

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.



CERTIFICATE OF EASTER WEEK SERVICE  
IN  
ENNISCORTHY AREA.

24701

We certify that Thomas D. Linnott, Carrraig Ruadh, Wexford.

(1) (a) took part in the Rising of Easter Week 1916,  
under arms until the surrender was ordered,

and

(b) was one of the group of Volunteers whose  
exceptional activity before Easter Week 1916,  
in Enniscorthy led up to the Rising there in  
that week,

or

(2) took part with arms in an attack on members of  
the British Forces during Easter Week 1916.

Signed: Seumas O Dubzail

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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According to records  
submitted by Brigade  
Committee the strength  
of North Wexford Bde  
on 11/7/21 was over 1000.  
(R. 15 beneath report)

applicant was IC of that  
Brigade on the date of  
his arrest in November  
1920. and when giving  
evidence before the  
Committee he stated that  
the lists for the Brigade  
strength were not made  
out but he thought 900  
was the strength on date  
of his arrest. It would  
appear now that the  
Brigade strength was over  
1000 on the date of his  
arrest and grade D  
accordingly would be allowable.

24/7/37



Referee R.15.

# Military Archives

Organisation Records supplied by Bde Committee

show that applicant was

(a) O/C North Wexford Bde. 11.7.1921.

(Intended)  
Strength Over 1000 11/7/21 (1249)  
affd.

(b) Applicant did not serve 1.7.1922.

Strength -

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SIGNED:

21/7/31



Applicant's name Spencer D. Bennett Address Carrington, Wexford

UNIT: 1st Battalion, Wexford Bde (V)  
2nd Coy, 1st Batt do do

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active Service allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes	REMARKS	
(1) 23/4/16 - 30/4/16.	Full period	$\frac{3}{7}$	$1\frac{5}{7}$ yrs.	Held for 13 months.	(7)
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	Full period.	$\frac{120}{179}$	$\frac{120}{179}$ yrs.	Finished. E. W. 24/37.	(8)
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18.	Full period.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ yrs.	Held for 13 months & all. 24/37.	(9)
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	Full period.	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$ yrs.	Finished. 16/37.	(10)
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20.	Full period.	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ yrs.	Bliss with 13 months. 16/37.	(11)
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	Full period.	$\frac{3}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$ yrs.		(12)
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	Full period.	Full	1 yrs.		(13)
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	Nil				(14)
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	Nil				(15)
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23.	Nil				(16)

(a) first critical date (b) Second critical date

Rank claimed on - Captain Total of Column (d) 6/00/00  
 Rank allowed - E

SIGNED: Samuel Robinson John McLoe John Jordan



Referee R.17.

OIFIG AN RÊITEÓRA,  
(OFFICE OF THE REFEREE),

BEAIRICÍ UÍ GRÍOBHTHA,  
(GRIFFITH BARRACKS),

CUAR-BHÓTHAR THEAS,  
(SOUTH CIRCULAR ROAD),

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.  
(DUBLIN).

Ref. No. 24711 ..... 18<sup>th</sup> July 1934

A CHARA,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your application under the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and in accordance with the provisions of Statutory Rules and Orders 1936, No. 61, I am to notify you that on the evidence submitted, the findings of the Referee in respect of your application are as follows:—

Service Period	Duration of Active Service during each period, as established to the satisfaction of the Referee.	Appropriate pensionable service....Years.
(1) Week commencing 23/4/16	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 1/4
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 } (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17 }	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 1/4
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 1/4
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 1/4
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 1/4
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 1/4
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	ENTIRE PERIOD	1
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22		
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23		
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23		

TOTAL— 6 1/2 years.

Grade of rank on 1st critical date..... E

" " " " 2nd " " ..... C

I am also to inform you that if you desire to submit any additional evidence or to make any representations with a view to the revision of these findings, such evidence or representations must be submitted in writing to the Referee and must reach this office not later than 10<sup>th</sup> Aug 1934.

The Referee will give full consideration to any evidence or representations so submitted, and after such consideration will make his report to the Minister for Defence. If no additional evidence or representation is furnished before the date indicated, the Referee will thereupon make his report to the Minister.

I am to add that the report of the Referee, when made, will, subject as mentioned in Section 9 of the Act, become final and conclusive and binding on all persons and tribunals whatsoever.

Mise, le meas,

M. H. D. Smith  
Barry Road  
Wexford.

E. M. Burke  
Rúnaí.



24701



WEXFORD.

AUGUST, 10th., 1937.

Do'n Reiteor,  
Beairici Ui Griobhtha,  
Baile Atha Cliath.

A Chara,

Ref. Assessment 24701.

With reference to yours of the 28th., July, last, embodying assessment referenced as above I beg to appeal against the assessment on the question of rank.

Rank is assessed on the 2nd., Critical Date as "C". This would appear proper in view of the fact that when filling claim form I put the strength of the Brigade as below one thousand.

I would now point out:-

- (1) That the returns compiled by the Brigade Committee show that the strength of the Brigade on the Critical Date was above one thousand;
- (2) That the Wexford Brigade was divided into two Brigades just prior to my restoration to Brigade command and that my return on the Claim Form was an estimate made hastily and arrived at before the formation of the Brigade Committee and before any return of Company strengths was available;
- (3) That, even though my position precludes the possibility of financial benefit from the award, it would be unfair to my successors and to those who served as officers of the Brigade to grade my rank as "C".
- (4) That Messrs Brennan and Allen who represent the Brigade Committee at assessments are in a position to prove that the strength of the Brigade on the 2nd., Critical date was more than one thousand.

Mise. le meas,

T. D. Sinnott



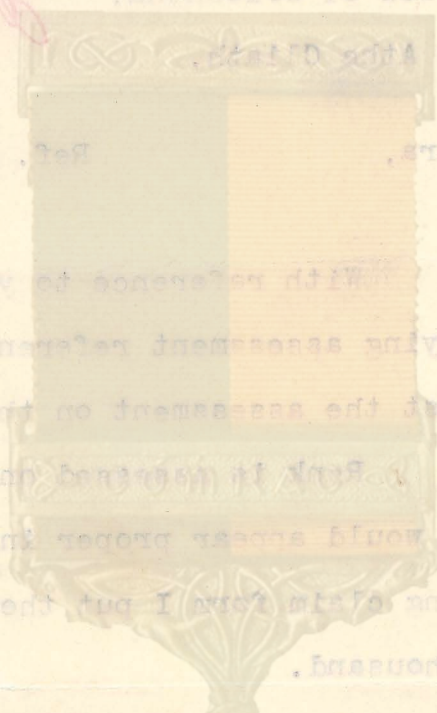
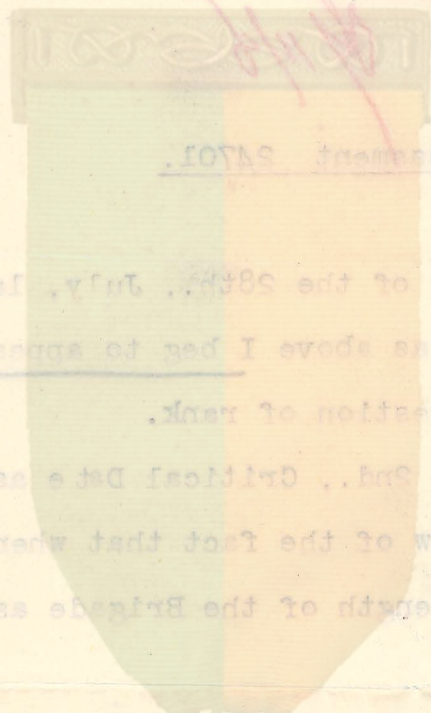
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With reference to the 28th July, last, embodying assessment referred to above I beg to assure against the assessment on the question of rank. A Rank is awarded on the 2nd, Critical Date as "D". This would appear proper in view of the fact that when I first came to the strength of the Brigade as below one thousand.

I would now point out:-

- (1) That the returns compiled by the Brigade Committee show that the strength of the Brigade on the Critical Date was above one thousand.
- (2) That the Western Brigade was divided into two Brigades just prior to its reformation to Brigade command and that my return on the Critical Date was an estimate made hastily and arrived at before the formation of the Brigade Committee and before any return of Company strengths was available.
- (3) That, even though my position precludes the possibility of a detailed investigation, it would be unfair to my successors and to those who served as officers of the Brigade to make my rank as "D".
- (4) That Messrs Brennan and Allen who represent the Brigade Committee at assessments are in a position to prove that the strength of the Brigade on the 2nd, Critical Date was more than one thousand.

T.D. Ginnott

Miss J. Ginnott



Paris,

my minute of  
the 21/7/37 on this file  
refers.

12/3/38.

Military Service  
Pensions Collection



appeal  
Ref. No. 24701- APPLICANT'S NAME Lunnott J. D.  
For Discussion with Helena Allen Brennan Date 1/4/38

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

It is now clear that the  
strength of the Brigade on  
the 2nd date Date 2nd over 1000



REFEREE R.3.

SL 4350 10000 2-38 RC 2140321

APPLICANT'S NAME Sinnott Thomas D. ADDRESS Carrig Road, Woodford

REF. No. 24701 UNIT.....

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active service allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes	REMARKS
(1) 23/4/16 - 30/4/16	Full Period	$\frac{3}{7}$	$1\frac{5}{7}$ yrs.	(7)
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	do	$\frac{120}{179}$	$1\frac{20}{179}$ yrs.	(8)
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	do	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ yrs	(9)
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	do	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{8}$ yrs.	(10)
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	do	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ yrs	(11)
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	do	$\frac{3}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$ yrs.	(12)
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	do	Full.	1 yrs.	(13)
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	Nie	/	/	(14)
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	Nie	/	/	(15)
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	Nie	/	/	(16)

(a) First critical date. (b) Second critical date.

Rank claimed on Capt. Rank allowed E

Total of Column (d)  $6\frac{1}{100}$  years - 10  
SIGNED Mr. Robinson John Robinson

on leave



# Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. M.S.P./25664

To:

THE REFEREE.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit for report in accordance with Section 8 and the Regulations made under the Act the accompanying application of

Pinnott Thomas D.  
Carriz Ruiz W. L. for  
 for a Service Certificate.

The report should take the form of replies to the questions set out herewith.

J. J. Morgan

Date 29 MAY 1936Ref. No. M.S.P./34/Referee-24701

To:

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I submit herunder my report in this case.

29th

22/4/38

(SIGNED) J. K. O'CONNOR

Referee.

Date 20-4-38

- Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies? yes
- If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established:
 

① <u>120</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	③ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	⑤ <u>3</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>
② <u>179</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	④ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	⑥ <u>3</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>
⑦ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	⑧ <u>3</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	⑨ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>
⑩ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	⑪ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>	⑫ <u>2</u> <u>7</u> <u>ENTIRE PERIOD</u>
- Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act. 6 100 years
- Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed:—
  - On first critical date. Grade E. Para. 1(6)
  - On second critical date. Grade B. Para. 1(2)(6)
  - Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921. no
  - Does applicant's case fall under either of the following sub-paragraphs, and, if so, which, viz., sub-paragraph (j) of paragraph 3 of Rule I. of First Schedule no  
 or under sub-paragraph (m) of paragraph 4 of Rule I. of First Schedule, as a Medical Officer. no

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5. Does the applicant state in his application whether he is at present in receipt of any remuneration, pension or allowance payable out of public moneys 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? *Secretary to Wexford Board*

*of Health & Public Assistance*

6. Does the applicant state in his application whether he applied for or is in receipt of unemployment assistance under the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1933? If so, quote the number of his qualification certificate if given by him.....

*no*

7. THE WEEK COMMENCING ON THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 1916.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*$\frac{3}{7}$  y*

ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

*$1\frac{5}{7}$  years*

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

*Irish Volunteers*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

*Linnacorthy Coy.*

8. THE PERIOD COMPRISING:—

(a) THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1916, AND ENDING ON THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 1916, and

(b) THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 1916, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1917.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*$\frac{120}{179}$  y*

ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

*$\frac{120}{179}$  y*

*1 year*



(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces..... *Irish Volunteers*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

*Ennis corthy bay*  
*and Internment*

9. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1917, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1918.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*1/2* of ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

*1/4* of 1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces..... *Irish Volunteers*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

*Ennis corthy*

10. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1918, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1919.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*3/4* of ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

*3/8* of 1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces..... *Irish Volunteers*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

*Wexford Det,*  
*and Imprisonment*



11. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1919, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1920.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

.....  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  of ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

.....  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces..... Oglaigh na h-Eireann,

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

.....  
*Imprisonment*  
*and, Wexford Bde.*

12. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1920, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1921.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

.....  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  of ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

.....  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces..... Oglaigh na h-Eireann,

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant..... *Bde. S/C*

.....  
*North Wexford Bde,*  
*and Internment*

13. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1921, AND ENDING ON THE 11TH DAY OF JULY, 1921.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

.....  
ENTIRE PERIOD

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

.....  
1 year



(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

*North Wexford Bde.*  
*Interned*

14. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 12TH DAY OF JULY, 1921, AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 1922.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*nil*

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

15. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF JULY, 1922, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1923.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*nil*

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....



16. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1923, AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1923.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

*nil*

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

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