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MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS.

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RANK Commandant TOTAL SERVICE FOR PENSION 14 years.

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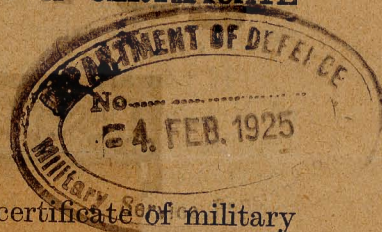


M.S.P. 1.

S.P. 6022.

Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.

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



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

NAME (to be written in block capitals). O'COLLAIN Padraic
SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS. Portobello Barracks Dublin
(to be written in block capitals).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Maynooth Company Irish Volunteers*.....

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

(c) References:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>X</i> <i>Lieut. General G. O'Sullivan</i>	<i>Portobello Rhs</i>
<i>X</i> <i>Colonel S. Baylan</i>	<i>Dunboyne</i>

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

..... *Yes*.....

(e) Unit or Units..... *Maynooth Section Irish Volunteers*.....

(f) O/C. *Capt. J. Byrne*.....

(g) References:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>X</i> <i>Lieut. General G. O'Sullivan</i>	<i>Portobello Rhs</i>
<i>X</i> <i>Capt. J. Byrne</i>	<i>Leinster House</i>
<i>X</i> <i>Colonel P. O'Sullivan</i>	<i>Engineers Barracks Dunboyne</i>

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

..... *G. P. O., Parliament St., Middle Abbey*.....
 *Liffey Sts. Coliseum Theatre*.....

(i) Absence from duty..... *Inherent* *Blatford* *Wingsch*
 *May 9th* *to* *Decr 24th* *1916*

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Kildare ho I Batt*

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

(c) References :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Lieut General G. O'Sullivan *Portobello Barracks*

General R. J. Mulcahy *"* *"*

Diarmuid O'Hegarty *Government Buildings*

(d) Absence from duty.....

nil

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Kildare ho I Batt*

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

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(d) Absence from duty.....

nil

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

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(d) Absence from duty.....

Nil

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Kildare No 1 Batt.*

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

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Lieut General O'Sullivan..... *Portobello Bk*

General R. J. Mulcahy..... *" "*

William O'Donoghue..... *Government Buildings*

(d) Absence from duty.....

Interment Curragh & Ballykinkor

1-12-20 - 31-12-20

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Kildare No 1 Batt*

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

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Lieut General O'Sullivan..... *Portobello Bk*

William Lynch..... *Leinster House*

P. J. Hogan..... *"*

(d) Absence from duty.....

Interment Ballykinkor

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Kildare No 7 Brigade*

(b) O/C..... *Col. S. Boylan*

(c) References:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Lieut General O'Sullivan..... *Portobello Bk*

Col. S. Boylan..... *Curragh*

(d) Absence from duty..... *Intermittent* *Ballykinkor*
 *Belfast Jail* *until* *Jan 17th 1922*

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

- (8). Army No. */* (9) Age... *33* ... *years*
- (10). Date of enlistment..... *Formation of Army*
- (11). Station at which you enlisted..... *Government Buildings*
- (12). Home address at date of joining..... *Maynooth Co. Kildare*
- (13). Unit (Company, Battalion, Brigade, Division)..... *Personal Staff General*
Ballins
- (14). Date of resignation or discharge or demobilisation.. */*
- (15). Rank held at resignation, or discharge or demobilisation */*
- (16). If serving on the 1st day of February, 1924, what was your rank on that date ?
 *Commandant*
- (17). Were you a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive or of the Headquarter's
 Staff of Oglagh na h-Eireann at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921 ?
 If so, state the position you occupied, the department or branch and the
 dates of your service.....
 *no*
- (18). If you are in receipt of any remuneration, pension, or allowance payable out
 of public monies, whether provided by the Oireachtas or out of the Central
 Fund, or by means of the poor rate or any other rate imposed by a local
 authority, state details.....

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

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

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

Signature (or Mark) of Applicant..... *Padraic O'Boham*

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

Address of Witness.....

*Portobello Barracks,
Dublin*

Qualification.....

Military Officer

Date.....

27th January 1925

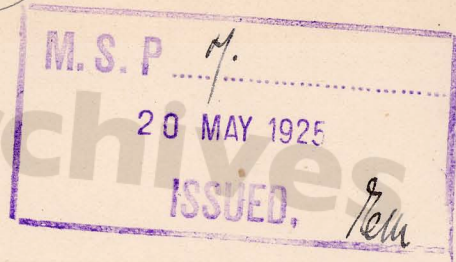
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MINUTE SHEET.

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Reference... *6022*



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Military Service
Pensions Collection

Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.

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

To :

The Secretary,
Military Service Pensions Board.

SDR/2419.



I hereby certify that.....~~Commandant. Padraic O'Collins~~.....
has rendered service in the National Forces or Defence Forces of Saorstát Éireann in the rank and during the periods set out hereunder:

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

*Rank.....~~Commandant.~~.....

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

.....*M. O'Keefe*.....G.S.O(1).

.....Staff Duties.....

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

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ar so.

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

M.S.P. 7.

ACT, 1924.

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Service.

Regd. No. S.P. 6022

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To

Captain Tom Byrne

Leinster House, Dublin

In the application of

Commander Patrick O'Connell, P.O. Box BNS
(Formerly of Maynooth, Co. Kildare)

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

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

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

GEARÓID O SUILLEAVÁIN,

Runáí.

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

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) Did the applicant render active service?	<i>Yes</i>
(ii.) At what posts?	<i>G. P. O and Parliament St.</i>
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	<i>On Easter Monday 1916 the applicant was one of a Co of 18 men who marched into Dublin from Maynooth under my command.</i>

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
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(b) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1917, to 31st March, 1918.

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

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

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

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(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	
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(f) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1921, to 11th July, 1921.

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
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Military Archives

Signature of reference..... *Thomas H Byrne*

*Witness to Signature..... *James Ladden*

Address of Witness..... *Leinster House*

Qualification..... *J. D.*

Date..... *May 26th 1925*

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

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(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

20.5.25.

To

Comdt P. Slattery

"Engineers" Bunagh Camp

In the application of

Comdt Patrick O'Leary, Portobello Bns.
(Formerly of Maynooth, Co. Kildare)

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

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(iii.) What rank did he hold?	P.O.
(iv.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I saw him enter the G.P.O. with the Kildare (Buckers) Contingent. I saw him at his post on Friday night 23 rd . Subsequently he helped F. O'Hagan to remove the wounded to St. Hospital.

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

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*Witness to Signature.....

W. J. Kennedy

Address of Witness.....

Engineer Bks Curragh.

Qualification.....

Captain

Date.....

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Runaí.

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

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

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

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

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
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(iii.) What rank did he hold?	
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	
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(c) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1918, to 31st March, 1919.

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	
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(d) Continuous Service from 1st April, 1919, to 31st March, 1920.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Commandant Culgan
was almost solely responsible
for keeping Ballyhenlar Camp
together by preventing prisoners
from signing undertakings.

Signature of reference.....

R. Culgan

*Witness to Signature.....

P. Fitzgibbon

Address of Witness.....

Dept. of Lands & Agriculture, Upper Merion St., Dublin

Qualification.....

Civil Servant - Private Secretary to Minister for Lands & Agl.

Date.....

2nd June, 1925.

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

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

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

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1, 1924.



e, if any, of an Applicant for
service.

Regd. No. S.P. 6022

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS),

DUBLIN.

To

Mr. Diarmuid O'Meara

Government Buildings

20.5.25

In the application of

*Conrad Padraic O'Colgan, Portobello Bks.
(Formerly of Maynooth, Co. Kildare)*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	I met applicant early in 1917 with the late Serl. Collins regarding the organisation of Volunteers in Nth. Kildare. He attended the 1917 Convention representing that area and was subsequently made Commandant.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Nth Kildare Brigade
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	As far as I know he was employed as a shop assistant in Buckley's of Maynooth. I don't know that his work was interfered with at this period but I think he had to go "on the run" at a later stage.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was a member of the the Volunteer Executive.

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	He remained in Charge of Nth. Kildare area
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Nth. Kildare Brigade.
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant.
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	See reply to query (iv) (b).
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was member of Volunteer Executive & as Director of Comm. was in frequent touch with applicant through whose area the principal road route to the South was.

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What do you know of his connection with the Volunteers during this period?	He was still Commandant of the Mth Kildare Brigade & organised most of its activities then e.g. burning of evacuated barracks, collection of arms etc.
(ii.) To what Unit or Units was he attached?	Mth. Kildare Brigade
(iii.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant
(iv.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	See reply to (iv)(b)
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was member of Volunteer Executive & Director of Commns. & was in frequent touch with applicant.

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
(i.) What military services did applicant render? Insert particulars of attacks on enemy forces or positions; destruction of enemy property; manufacture, purchase or disposal of munitions; collection of information to enable these acts to be done; or organising or training to the same ends.	Was in charge of Mth. Kildare until arrested about November 1920, and interned.
(ii.) To what extent was he a full-time Volunteer during this period and to what Unit or Units was he attached?	Not full-time. Mth. Kildare Brigade
(iii.) What was his occupation prior to and subsequent to this period, and to what extent was his ordinary living interfered with by his work as a Volunteer?	I am not sure if he was able to keep at work until November. After that he was in gaol.
(iv.) What rank did he hold?	Commandant.
(v.) What were the circumstances which enable you to testify as to his service?	I was Director of Organisation during this period.

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

QUERY.	REPLY.
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Military Archives

Signature of reference Garmuid O'Riordan

*Witness to Signature Colm O'Murchada

Address of Witness Leinster House Dublin

Qualification Permanent Civil Servant on scale not less than £200 - £300

Date 7th August 1955

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

Military Service Pensions Collection

Comdt. Padraic O'Colgain

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Joined 1913 - Botanist - Lunde wh.

1916 - Maynooth Co. G.K.O. - Exchange
Hotel - Miss Abbey St.

Interned - released - Decr - 1916.

1917 - Re-organizing - Post job in Duke of
Leinster.

Whole time organizing until Novr.
1917.

1918 - Oct. - Kildare No. 1.

Organizing line of Communication from
Co Dublin to Mullingar.

Appointed O.B. Special reserve
Kildare's Meath

Hands for Arms

1919 - Maynooth Barracks (empty) &
Court house 1919.

Hands for Arms.

Held up of military on train at
Newbridge - didn't come off.

Castleblayney

1920 - Easter - burning of Barracks

July - Kill Ambush - 2 Killed 2 wounded

Till O.B. of area & in charge of
operations till Decr.

Decr. - Arrested because of Kill
ambush - interned till June 1922

O.B. Prisoners in Ballykinlar

S.P. 6022.

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

M.S.P. 2.

Draft

TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Assessors constituted under Section 3 of the above-mentioned Act, report as hereunder on the application of *Commandant Vadraic O'Colgan* for a Certificate of Military Service in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and the Regulations made thereunder.

(1) Periods of Military Service prescribed in the Act.		(2) Forces in which active service was rendered.	(3) Duration of active service during each of the prescribed periods as established to the satisfaction of the Board.	(4) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined by Section 4 (2) of the Act.
(a) (1) Active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916 ...		<i>Avail</i>	<i>38</i>	
(2) Continuous service from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917 ...			<i>38</i>	
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Rank of the applicant as defined by Sec. 4 (3) of the Act.....
Total service for pension purposes, as defined by Sec. 4 (2) of the Act.....

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

(Signed)

Member of the Board of Assessors,.....

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

M.S.P. 2.

TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Assessors constituted under Section 3 of the above-mentioned Act, report as hereunder on the application of *Adraic Dolgan, Dr. Fello Garraeth, Dublin* for a Certificate of Military Service in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and the Regulations made thereunder.

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

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

Total service for pension purposes, as defined by Sec. 4 (2) of the Act... *14 years*
Dated this... *15th* day of... *November 1926*

(Signed) ... Member of the Board of Assessors.
for mandant

