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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). **CHRISTIAN** SURNAME. **WILLIAM** CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS (to be written in block capitals). **52 YORK ST.**
DUBLIN

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

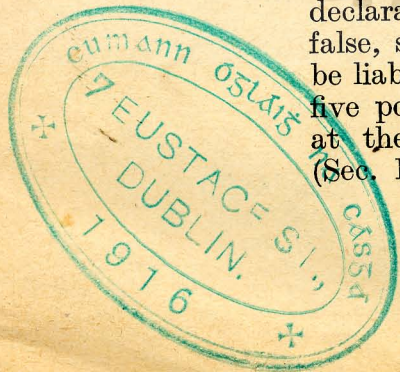
was "a Battalion Quartermaster whose Battalion was (at the critical date) not less than one hundred in strength," or

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? ~~23rd to 26th April~~

(b) Unit or Units. ~~B Co. 3 Batt. IV.~~

(c) Duration (giving dates) of service. ~~23rd to 26th April 1916~~

(d) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. ~~Camden Row St Stephens Parochial Hall Northumberland Rd.~~

(e) Officer Commanding in each instance. ~~Lieut Michael Malone~~

(f) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? ~~Escorting cart load of tools & etc. from Camden Row to Pearse St.~~

(g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the week.

(h) Absence from duty and cause. ~~Taken prisoner by the British.~~

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Patrick Doyle.	Chief Supt. Garda's Roscommon

(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 Co. 3 Batt. IV & Band Sect Fianna~~

(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.

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(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.

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(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 ?.....

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(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.

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(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.

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(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?.....

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(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.

(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. 23rd to 26th

(b) Unit or Units. B. Co. 3rd Batt. 1. Vol.

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

(d) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. Camden Row & St. Stephen's Parochial Hall, Cumberland Rd.

(e) Officer Commanding in each instance. Lieut Michael Malone

(f) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? under arms from Sunday 23rd to Wednesday 26th April 1916.

(g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the week. one of armed party of 4 holding Parochial Hall at Mount St. escorting cart of tools etc from Camden Row to Brunswick St. Sun 23rd. ref. James Fitzgerald

(h) Absence from duty and cause. Arrested Wednesday evening by British Forces held prisoner for 2 days in same place then removed on Fri 28th to B. Bridge then to Richmond Bks on Tuesday 2nd May. Departed to Wakefield on Fri 5th May released from Frongoch July 1916.

* 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.
Patrick Doyle, Chief Supt Garda Siochana Roscommon	
Joseph Clark (then living at) 6 Harcourt St	
Peter Kavanagh	Oaklands Pl. Sandymount.

(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 B. Co. 3rd Batt I.V.
- (b) Duration (giving dates) of service member of 3rd Batt B. Co. until March 1917. also member of Finna Pipers until Nov. 1918
- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered 144 Brunswick St
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance Capt. S. Mahon
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? By attending company & Batt. meetings parades &c.
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period arming & drilling & preparing for Easter Week.
B. Interned
- (g) Absence from duty and cause Not absent

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Michael McCarthy	McPlesant Builds Ranelagh
John O Keefe	Wimford Pl. B. Bridge

(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 ?.....

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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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.

Rank E
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(b) On second critical date.

Rank E
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References who can testify as to your statements :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Patrick Doyle. Chief Supt. Civic Guards R. common
James Grace
John O Keefe
Peter Kavanagh
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(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. did not serve in above.
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(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.
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(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 Cert No D.D. 23369. refused U.A.

(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.

No.

(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.

receiving
No 17/6 per week outdoor relief Dublin Union
Batham Row. from 4th May 1935 to date

(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.....

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.

Interment order form under 14.B. D.O.R.A. 1914.
 active members of the Finna from 1912 to 1918.
 Prisoner in Richmond Bks. Wakefield Jail. Frongoch
 Witness James Grace - Patrick Doyle (Chief Supt J.S.)
 Rev. Thomas O'Donohoe

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

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

Address of Witness.....

Qualification.....

Date.....

Joseph Egan.
 Garda Siochana, College St.,
 Dublin
 Garda Reg No. 5085
 31st December 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 Siochána.
- 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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J. MALLON AND SON

M.D.H.A., M.M.H.G. (S.E.), M.H.R.A.

Ladies' and Gents' Hairdressers

ESTABLISHED 1907.

30 EDEN QUAY,

DUBLIN

3-11-'36

This is to Certify that W. Christian.
52. York Street. Dublin. Was a member of "B"
Boy. III Batt. pre 1916. During that week
he fought in the Parochial Hall. Northumberland
Road. after the Surrender he was deported to
Wakefield Jail. And later Interned in Frongoch
South Camp.

Yours Truly
J. Mallon

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84 Lockfield Gardens,
Kilmagee.

3rd November 1936.

To Whom it may concern.

That the bearer William Christian of 52
York St. was a member of the Fianna
with me pre 1916 and he was also a
member of the Third Batt.

We were both mobilised on Easter Sunday^{and}
Easter Monday.

We both fought in the one (~~the one~~)
area during the week and we were
interned in Frongoch Camp.

Yours Respectfully,

James Daly.

Late Co. Coy III Batt.

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27 Blasance Mangan Rd
S E Rd.

3rd Nov. 1936

I wish to state that the beaver.
Wm Christian was a member of B. Co III Batt.
Irish Volunteers and on mobilization on
Easter Monday morning 1916 he
accompanied me to Boland's Mill Area.
and he was detailed for duty to the
Parochial Hall, Northumberland Road.
under the late Lieut Michael Malone.

I next met him when I was taken
to Richmond Barracks as a prisoner

I understand that he was
deported later

Dennis Peel.

Military Archives
Southam Square,
Roscommon,

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To whom concerned.

This is to certify that William
Christian, now residing at 52 York St., was
in the Parochial Hall at Mount St. Bridget from
Easter Monday 1916 to the following Wednesday
and took part in the operations against the
British troops at that centre.

D. Doyle . C. Sept.

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The Referee.
Military Pensions Board.
J. Griffith Balbocks

16 Annet St.
S. C. Road.
4/11/36.

William Christian 52 York St. Dublin
was under my command from Monday to Wednesday of
Easter Week 1916 in the Phoenix Hall.
C. Sturtevant Rd.

On Wednesday the post was evacuated & the head was
collected trying to get back to Balbocks. (Alia. H. Q.)
He was interned for about 3 months.

J. Donnelly
Ex Ofc. C. Co. 3rd Batt
D/B.

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7 Oaklands Park,
Ballsbridge, Dublin.
5th Nov. 1936.

A Dhuine Usal,

The applicant William Christian, 52 York Street, Dublin.
was mobilised by me on EASTER MONDAY, 23rd April 1916, and took
part in the fighting in the Northumberland Road Area - under the
Command of the late Lieutenant Michael Malone.

He was also interned in Wakefield Prison and Frongoch
Camp for a period of months.

I smise, le meas mor,

...*Peadar Kavanagh*...

To/ The Secretary,

Board of Referees, Military Service Pensions,
Griffith Barracks, Dublin.

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SWORN STATEMENT OF WILLIAM CHRISTIAN (File No. 20099)
MADE BEFORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON 6th NOVEMBER, 1936.

- Q. Did you bring in references ?
(Hands in reference)
- Q. When did you join the Volunteers ?
A. 1915 - I was transferred from the Fianna.
- Q. Did you hold any rank in the Volunteers ?
A. No.
- Q. Did you ever apply for a pension before ?
A. No.
- Q. Did you join the Free State Army ?
A. No.
- Q. What do you work at ?
A. I'm at present a Porter in the Custom House.
- Q. You were out in 1916, Easter Week ?
A. Yes.
- Q. You were mobilised by Kavanagh ?
A. Yes.
- Q. On Sunday ?
A. Yes.
- Q. And did you take up position then ?
A. On Monday.
- Q. You were dismissed then and mobilised again on Monday ?
A. Yes. Before I was dismissed I brought some things down from Camden Row to Pearse Street.
- Q. After you were mobilised on the Monday of Easter Week where did you go ?
A. St. Stephens Parochial Hall.
- Q. And were you there the entire week ?
A. Until Wednesday evening.
- Q. What happened then ?
A. The place became too hot for us and I got the offer to get across to Bolands.
- Q. Was that the crowd ?
A. Yes, the whole crowd.
- Q. Did you escape to Bolands ?
A. We were just in Percy Place when we were captured.
- Q. On Wednesday ?
A. Yes.
- Q. Were there many of you captured ?
A. Four of us altogether, we were not all together though.

- Q. When you were captured you were taken to Barracks ?
 A. We were taken to a house in Percy Place and I was there until Friday.
- Q. Under guard ?
 A. Under armed guard, then I was brought to Ballsbridge, and from Ballsbridge, the Garrison came in on Sunday and I went with the Garrison on Tuesday to Richmond Barracks, and from that I was deported on Tuesday 2nd May, to Wakefield.
- Q. You were interned in Wakefield until when ?
 A. July, I was released in July.
- Q. And after that you took no further part in the Volunteers ?
 A. No, except to attend parades with the Fianna Boys, Route Marches and funerals.
- Q. What were you doing before Easter Week ?
 A. I was in the Fianna from about 1912.
- Q. You were drilling and training I suppose ?
 A. Yes.
- Q. Had you any ~~army~~ ^{armed} ?
 A. Not until I joined the Volunteers.
- Q. Did you get a gun ?
 A. I bought a revolver - I could not get a gun.
- Q. Had you ammunition for it ?
 A. 26 rounds.
- Q. You were not able to get any other supplies ?
 A. No.
- Q. You took part in the drilling and training before Rising ?
 A. Yes. I attended classes also for signalling.
- Q. And you continued your drilling and training for the year -
 You did not claim after that ?
 A. Only in the band.

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File No. 20099

Name of applicant Christian, William

Discussed with Mr. J. O'Connor on 23/4/36

REMARKS.

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verified / 1. Sunday - St. Stephen's Parish Hall,
Monday
on way to Dublin. on Wednesday
when he was captured.
released July 16.
He named later

verified by Mr. O'Connor

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Ref. No. 20099 Applicant's Name Christian, William Address 52 York St., Dublin
 UNIT: B. Coy. 3rd Bn.

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active Service Allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes.	REMARKS
(1) 23/4/16 - 30/4/16.	23 rd to 26 th	Full.	4 years	Finished. $\frac{16}{36}$
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	Full period.	$\frac{65}{358}$	$\frac{63}{358}$	(8)
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	nil			(9)
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	nil			(10)
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	nil			(11)
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	nil			(12)
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	nil			(13)
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	nil			(14)
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	nil			(15)
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/5/23	nil.			(16)

Rank claimed or -
 Service allowed - -
 (a) First critical date (b) Second critical date
 E. E.
 E. E.

Total of Column (a) 4 358 years
63

APPROVED: James Robinson John McGee John Jordan
John McGee

Referee R.17.

OIFIG AN RÉITEÓRA,
(OFFICE OF THE REFEREE),
BEAIRICÍ UÍ GRÍOBHTHA,
(GRIFFITH BARRACKS),
CUAR-BHÓTHAR THEAS,
(SOUTH CIRCULAR ROAD),
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(DUBLIN).

Ref. No. 20099 21st Dec. 1936.

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.
(1) Week commencing 23/4/16	ENTIRE PERIOD	4 yrs.
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	63 308 of ENTIRE PERIOD	63 308 of 1 yr.
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18		
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19		
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20		
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21		
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21		
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22		
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23		
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23		

TOTAL— 4 ⁶³/₃₀₈ years.

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

” ” ” ” 2nd ” ”..... E

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 11th Jan. 1937

The Referee will give full consideration to any evidence or representations so submitted, and after such consideration will make his report to the Minister. 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,

W. William Christian
52, York Street
Dublin.

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Rúnaí.

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. 34SP/2/167

To:

THE REFEREE.

Ref. No. M.S.P./34/Refer - 20099

To:

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

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

Christian William,
52, York St., Dublin.
for a Service Certificate.

I submit hereunder my report in this case.

L.H.R. J.K.
2/2/37

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

J. Morgan

(SIGNED) J. K. O'CONNOR

Referee.

Date 3- APR 1936

Date

1. Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies? yes

2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established ENTIRE PERIOD

② 63 358 ENTIRE PERIOD ③ Nil ④ Nil
⑤ Nil ⑥ Nil ⑦ Nil
⑧ Nil ⑨ Nil ⑩ Nil

3. Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act.

4 63
358 years

4. Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed:—

(a) On first critical date Grade E. Para. 1(6)

(b) On second critical date Grade E. Para. 1(6)

(c) Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921. no

(d) 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 *In receipt of 17-6 per week*

Outdoor Relief, Dublin Union, Chatham Row.

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.....

Cert. no. DD 23369.

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

- (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.....

4 years

- (3) State—

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

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

B Coy, Btn III, Dublin Bde.

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

63
358 of *ENTIRE PERIOD*

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

63
358 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.....

.....*B Coy, B Co. III, Dublin Bde,*.....
*and Intermment.*.....

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

Nil.....

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

Nil.....

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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