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M.S.P./34 Referat

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Loughran James,
333 East 93rd Street,
New York, U.S.A.

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19/10/40

REF. No. 55696 APPLICANT'S NAME Loughran, James ADDRESS.....
UNIT 1st Bde., 4th Northern Div

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active service allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes	REMARKS
(1) 23/4/16 — 30/4/16				(7)
(2) (a) 1/4/16 — 22/4/16 } (b) 30/4/16 — 31/3/17 }				(8)
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(7) 1/4/21 — 11/7/21				(13)
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(9) 1/7/22 — 31/3/23				(15)
(10) 1/4/23 — 30/9/23				(16)

(a) First critical date.

(b) Second critical date.

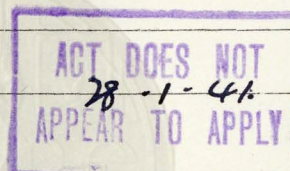
Rank claimed on.....

Rank allowed

Total of Column (d).....

SIGNED—James Loughran

James Loughran



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Wt. 3914—Gp. 50—8,000—1/41—S 7975.

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT (1934).

REFEREE R.3.

REF. No. 55696 APPLICANT'S NAME Loughran, James ADDRESS.....
UNIT 1st Bde, 4th North Div.

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(4) 1/4/18 — 31/3/19				(10)
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(6) 1/4/20 — 31/3/21		1/3 Penoa	2/3 Year ✓	(12)
(7) 1/4/21 — 11/7/21		None	1 Year ✓	(13)
(8) 12/7/21 — 30/6/22		1/4 Penoa	1/4 Year ✓	(14)
(9) 1/7/22 — 31/3/23		3/4 Penoa	3/4 Year ✓	(15)
(10) 1/4/23 — 30/9/23				(16)

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

Rank claimed on.....

Rank allowed.....

Total of Column (d) 2 13/36 years - 7

SIGNED—James Robinson

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SCHEDULE

M.S.P. 34/2A.

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

311P/56504

Reference No. 55696

Applicant's Name Loughran James

Address 333 East 93rd St. New York. U.S.A.

PERIOD	Particular military body or bodies in which active service was rendered.	Duration of active service established to the satisfaction of the Referee.	Equivalent for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.	Is the applicant a person to whom the Act applies? Rank or Grade allowed Relevant paragraph of First Schedule.
(1) 23/4/16 - 29/4/16	—	— period	— year(s)	1st critical date..... <u>E.</u> <u>1. 15/</u>
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	—	— period	— year	2nd critical date..... <u>D.</u> <u>1. (14) 1/</u>
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	<u>Irish Volunteers</u>	<u>nil</u> period	<u>nil</u> year	Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to 11th July, 1921? <u>Yk</u>
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	"	<u>nil</u> period	<u>nil</u> year	Does applicant's case fall under—
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	<u>Oghigh na h-Eireann</u>	<u>nil</u> period	<u>nil</u> year	(a) sub-para. (j) of para. 3 of Rule I of the First Schedule? <u>Yk</u>
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	"	<u>3</u> period	<u>3</u> year(s)	(b) sub-para. (m) of para. 4 of Rule I of the First Schedule? <u>Yk</u>
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	"	<u>3</u> period	<u>1</u> year	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 <u>Yk</u>
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	"	<u>1</u> period	<u>1</u> year	
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	"	<u>2</u> period	<u>1</u> year(s)	
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	—	— period	— year	
TOTAL			<u>2 13/36</u> year(s)	

To—THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I submit hereon my report in this case.

1 JAN 1943

Date.....

(SIGNED) T. UA. DÓMHNAILL

Referee.

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 Yk

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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. 55196

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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		
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 } (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17 }		
(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	ENTIRE PERIOD	
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	ENTIRE PERIOD	
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	ENTIRE PERIOD	
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	ENTIRE PERIOD	
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23		

TOTAL— 23 3/4 years.

Grade of rank on 1st critical date. F
" " " 2nd " " D

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 23 DEC 1942

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.

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Mr. James Loughran,
333 East 93rd St.,
New York City.

Rúnaidhe. [Signature]

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Referee R.15.

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Organisation records supplied by Brigade Committee

show that applicant was

(a) Capt. Hugh Long 3rd Bath at Bde. ^{Ref. Div.} 11.7.1921.

Strength 65.

(b) do 1.7.1922.

Strength 64.

SIGNED

27.3.19/10/42.

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MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ret. No. 55696

APPLICANT'S NAME

Loughran, James

For Discussion with

Dundalk Bde. VV

Date

2/10/32

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)	<p>are the actuals in area</p>	
(6)	<p>newborn & Loughran close in at train</p> <p>attempts. Coughlin subsequent</p> <p>Plas G</p>	<p>Amelior Stanton Ohio</p>

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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No. 55696

APPLICANT'S NAME Loughan, James

For Discussion with Bde VP Date 31/3/42

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

James Loughran (No. 55696).

(Over-seas Case).

Advisory Committee,

Applicant was not interviewed, and his case was rejected following discussion with the verifying officers. The rejection was confirmed by the Referee on the 4th February, 1941.

A statement has since been received from Edward Fearon certifying that applicant took part in the attack on Newtownhamilton bks. and in the attack on Camlough bks. He is also certified as having taken part in the attempted ambush at Plaster and to have been on duty on the night that Smith and Hanlon were shot.

It is recommended that the case be held over for discussion with the verifying officers.

W. J. H. H. H. H.

24/7/1941.

LM/MNiD.

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FILE FOR SPECIAL SCRUTINY REF. NO. 55696

- (1) Interviewing Officers
- (2) Advisory Committee.

Please say if the correspondence now to hand
will affect the original ~~recommendation~~ finding.

JJR 17/7/41.

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Admiral Ctes James LaughranOverseas case
Not heard

Ed. Leason states that app. was made Captain:
after M. Leason was promoted in 6th Period. nothing
additional in statement outside of verification of a number
of activities ^{already} claimed by applicant. — Apparently no
major engagement, but claims shooting shoring in Altnavagh
using bomb rifle not true.

JL 26/2/41

M. Leason New York verifies applicant's participation in Adavyle
Train Ambush June 1921 (See both Laughran's file 11586) JL 26/2/41
Case may require further consideration.

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Edward Fearon.

A Chara,

I am sorry to say I cannot on the ^{28th} inst. owing to weather and the firm I'm working for, but I will give you all the details as far as I know of the Meigh Coy. Some of the men belong to Meigh to other Co. on your list.

Meigh Co.

55696 James Loughran * Captain 333 East 93 St., N.Y.
 57139 James Fearon * 1st Lieut. 46, Haddock St., Liverpool.
 2708 Thomas Kinney, * Tavnabane, Meigh, Co. Armagh.
 11586 Patrick Loughran * 7, Culhane St., Dundalk.
 37218 John Patterson * 1628, 56th St., Philadelphia.
 45256 Peter Kelly * Annaghis, Killeavy, Co. Armagh.
 43422 Peter Loughran * 410 E. 132 St., Bronx, N.Y.
 474369 Michael Loughran * do.
 53356 Bernard Cunningham * 1320 Rosedale Ave., N.Y.
 53213 Peter Byrne * 2204 Amsterdam Ave., N.Y.

I will put an '*' after the names of those whom I know were in action at Newton and Camlough Barracks; the burning of the Custom house in Newry, Alnaveigh; the attack on trains during the bycott.

Michael Loughran was in jail before the Truce. I am not so sure of B. Cunningham but he had some service.

James Loughran, James Fearan, Thomas Kinney, Patrick Loughran, John Patterson, Peter Loughran, were at the attempted ambush at Plaster carrying arms.

James Loughran, Thomas Kinney, Patrick Loughran were on duty the night Smith & Hanlon were shot. P. Loughran used a revolver.

James Fearan, Bernard Cunningham, Thomas Kinney, Patrick Loughran were on duty the morning of the Troop Train for I brought the word to them that morning from Mr. Aaken and John Quin.

James Loughran, Thomas Kinney, Patrick Loughran, James Fearan, Peter Loughran were also at the 2nd and 3rd attacks on Camlough Barracks.

James Loughran was Captain after Mick Fearan was promoted.

16681 Margt. Casey was a sister to the McGenthy family who suffered so much, had a brother shot she did some useful work. Thomas Kinney served in Corrinshago Coy. first then in Meigh. He was on the run: was a good soldier; he escaped through a small window on the morning the Rileys were shot. Paddy Loughran was Quartermaster of the Company. He was a postman and did useful work on the Intelligence Staff.

I think this is all I know about the men of the Meigh Co. Some of the men may have other services that I don't know about. I am not telling any lies about them for it benefit me anything. Hoping you will accept this from me.

I remain,
 Your humble Servant,

(Signed)

EDWARD FEARAN.

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Please say if finding of 4/2/41 will stand 6/15/41

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No. 55696

APPLICANT'S NAME

Loughran

Jas.

For Discussion with Mrs. Woods & Elkan, Larn. Quinn & Jerney

Date 28/1/41

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)	Don't know him.	
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No... 55696...

APPLICANT'S NAME... Loughran James

For Discussion with... Mrs. James O'Hare Date... 5/12/40

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No. 55696. APPLICANT'S NAME Loughran, Jas.

For Discussion with Messrs. Gormley, Grant, Doyle, O'Mahony and Cooney. Date 26/11/40.

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)	<u>bay 06</u>	
(2)		
(3)	<u>Unknown</u>	
(4)		
(5)		
(6)	<u>In letter</u> <u>Wola for Fearon?</u> <u>USA</u>	
(7)		
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

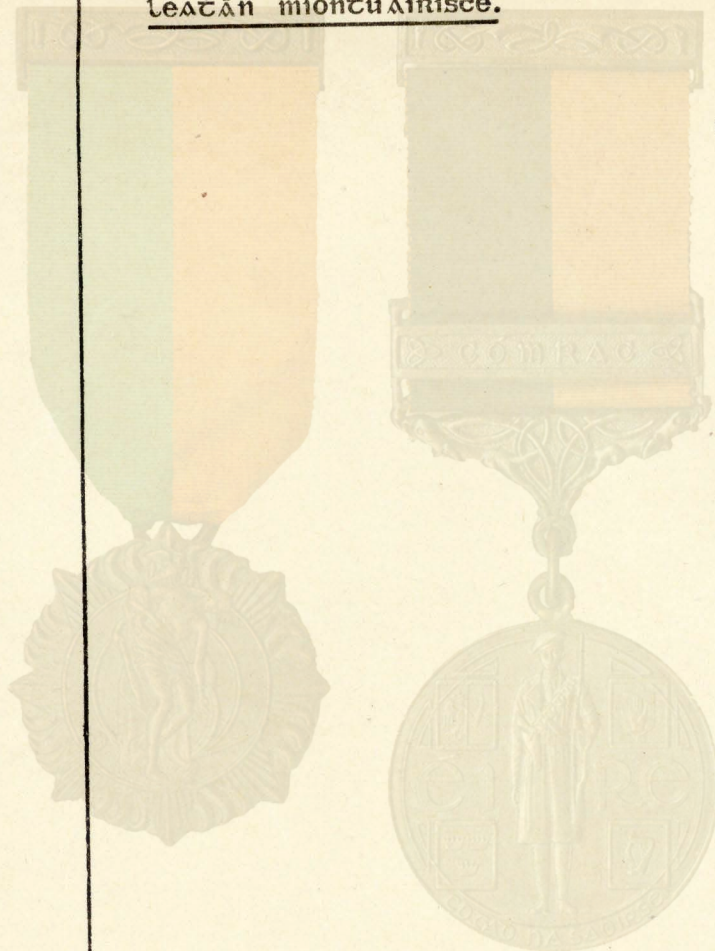
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James Loughran 1st 64th Northern

333 East 93 St.

New York City
U.S.A.

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8/5/38.

Detailed Statement.

Feb. 1918. Joined the Meigh Co. 3 Batt. 1st. Brig.

#4 Northern Div. carried despatches & recruited for the Company, drilled twice a week.

also. Formed a Shinn Fin Club. also took part in making a (dig out) made a dump for arms & ammunition helped to get some arms and amunitions for the Company.

May 1919. Raid on Ballyedmond Castle was on out post duty. Became Quarter Master of.

Meigh Co. took charge of all arms & amunitions

also. Carried despatches for the Company. did Police work. at Elections & raised money for the Company. Was Elected 1st Lt.

May. 9th 1920. attack on Newtownhamilton barracks. was on out post duty. in Newtownhamilton

raided the mails also in May. at Meigh P.O. on

June. 1920. Mobilised for attack on British soldiers in Newry. attack called off.

June. 1920. Raid on income tax offices in Newry. was on out post duty. Was Elected Captain Meigh Company.

July 1920. General Raid for Arms. was in charge of a raiding party.

July 1920. attack on train carrying munitions
was in charge of a squad of men.

Raid on train at Besbrook station was
in charge of the raiding squad.

October 1920. Burning of evacuated Barracks
in Jewry. was on out post duty.

December 1920. attack on Camlough Barracks
was in Command of blocking all roads
in Company area. Commanded labour
for same. & helped the wounded to
escape

1921. Raid on Ulster Volunteers Houses for arms
was in the raiding party.

Raid on mails in March. was in the raiding party
attack on British ^{military} Plaster Co. South in April
was one of the charging party. (attack called off)

Mobilised for an attack on all R.I.C. in Camlough
Public Houses in April. (attack called off)
was in charge of a squad of men.

Execution of 2 spies in May. was one of
the firing squad.

General. Blockading of roads. was in charge off.
all men in Company area.

X Sniping Camlough Barracks in May. was one.
of the sniping party. X

1921. General. Hold up & Destruction of Belfast goods trains in May. was in charge of a party of men. on 2. of the trains.

General Raid on Mails & Censoring letters was in charge of. Raiding Party on 2 of the raids

June 1921. Derailing of troop train at a Doyle. X had all tools on hand for the job was in charge of a squad of men helped to lift rail

July 1921 was on a Special Job.

August 1921. was in officers Training Camp. in Migh Took charge of Police work & Sinn Féin Courts. From July. to December. in Company area. & Recruited new Volunteers.

1922. Went to Camp in Co. Louth.

Took Part in attack on Military & Police at Jonesborough. Sniping on 4 different times Took Part in the shooting & Burning in altnavagh used Bombs & Rifle was on the run to I left the Country.

in 1923. 2 officers who can verify this statement.

Michael Fearon. 444. East 147. St Bronx N.Y. U.S.A.
Charles McGuinness 1809 Archer St. Bronx. N.Y. U.S.A.

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Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. 34 S.P./56564

1934

Ref. No. M.S.P./34/Referee—

To:

THE REFEREE.

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

I submit hereunder my report in this case.

Loughran James

333 East 93 St.

for a Service Certificate. *New York City*

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

USA

J. J. Loughran

20 JAN 1938

Date.....

Referee.

Date.....

1. Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies ?.....
2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established.....
3. Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act.....
4. Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed : —
 - (a) On first critical date.....
 - (b) On second critical date.....
 - (c) Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921.....
 - (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.....
 - or under sub-paragraph (m) of paragraph 4 of Rule I. of First Schedule, as a Medical Officer.....

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 ?.....

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.....

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

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

(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.....

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

(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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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

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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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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

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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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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.....

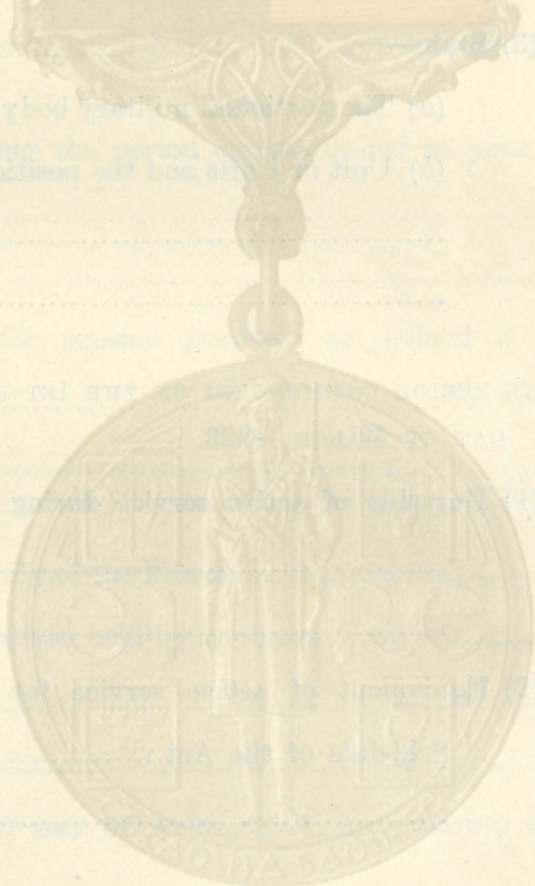
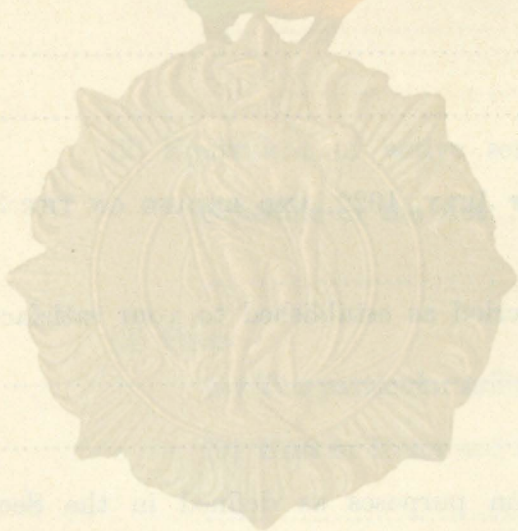
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(3) State—

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

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

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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). LOUGH RAN. JAMES.
SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS. 333 EAST 93. ST. NEW YORK CITY
(to be written in block capitals). NEW YORK.

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).

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- (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..... *Ineigh Co. Camlough. Batt.*

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

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Paddy Rankin*

(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..... *Despatch carrying*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *Not absent.*

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Paddy Rankin *Henry Lee Down.*

Tommy O'Neill *O.C. Camlough Batt.*

Michael Fearon *Captain Ineigh Company.*

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Quartermaster Ineigh Company.*

(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 ?.....

Taking charge of all arms & recruiting

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

the period... *No Military engagements in this District*

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

Not absent.

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Paddy Rankin Newry Co Down.
Frank Aikens Minister of Defence.
Michael Fearon Meigh Company.

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

(a) Unit or Units... *1st Lieutenant Meigh Company.*

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

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

Meigh & Newry.

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *Michael Fearon.*

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

By Making Trenches & Dig-outs.

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

the period... *No Military Engagements in this District*

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

Not absent.

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Paddy Rankin Newry Co Down.
Frank Aikens Minister of Defence.
Tommy D. Hill O.C. Camlough Batt.

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Captain Meigh Co Camlough Batt.*

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

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

Camlough & Kewry

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

Frank Aikens

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

By carrying out all orders assigned to me in my B. Area.

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

the period.....

Custom house raid in Kewry.

Newtownhamilton barracks attack.

General raid for Arms.

Camlough Barracks attack.

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

Not absent.

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Frank Aikens O.C. H² Northern Div

Tommy O'Neill O.C. Camlough Batt

Michael Fearon Vice Com. Camlough Batt.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

Camlough

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

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

Frank Aikens

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

Captain Feigh Co. Camlough Batt.

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

Burning Belfast goods trains on 2 Occasions

Raid on Mails. Sniping Camlough Barracks.

Derailing of troop train at Clacagh. One of—

the firing squad.

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

Not absent.

who took part in the execution of two spies

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Frank Aikens O.C. H ¹ North Div	
Seamus Monaghan A.D. H ¹ North Div	
Charles Mc Guimety O.C. Camlough Batt.	

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Camlough*

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

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

..... *Captn. Feigh Co. Camlough. Batt.*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Frank Aikens*

(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..... *Attack on Military & Police at*

..... *Jonesborough Co. Lomagh took part in the*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *shooting & burning in Altraveigh.*

..... *Not absent.*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Frank Aikens Div Com. H ¹ North Div	
John Mc Coy H ¹ Northern Div	
Mick Fearon O.C. Camlough Batt.	

(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.

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(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.....

(b) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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* 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.

(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) 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.

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.

Captain Meigh Company.
Cam Lough Batt.
H. & Northern Div

(b) On second critical date.

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References who can testify as to your statements:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Frank Atkins Minister of Defence	
Tommy O'Neill 824 Amsterdam Ave N.Y.C.	
Michael Pearson 444 East 147 St. Bronx N.Y.	

- (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.

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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.

NEVER APPLIED.

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

Army Pensions Act, 1923.

NO

Army Pensions Act, 1927.

NO

Army Pensions Act, 1932.

NO

If so, with what result.

NEVER APPLIED.

(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.....

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.....

NO

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

(a) As a member of the Civil Service.

NO

(b) As a member of the Garda Síochána.

NO

(c) As a member of any other Police Force.

NO

(d) As a member of the Prisons Service.

NO

(e) As a National School Teacher.

NO

(f) As a Secondary School Teacher.

NO

- (g) As an Officer of any Local Authority. *No*
 (h) In any other employment. *No.*

If so, give details.....

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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.

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

James Loughran

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

Address of Witness.....

Rev. Mrs. Murphy

230 East 90th. Ave U.S.A.

Qualification.....

Canon Priest

Date.....

December 7th 1937

* 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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