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Lambert. Patrick

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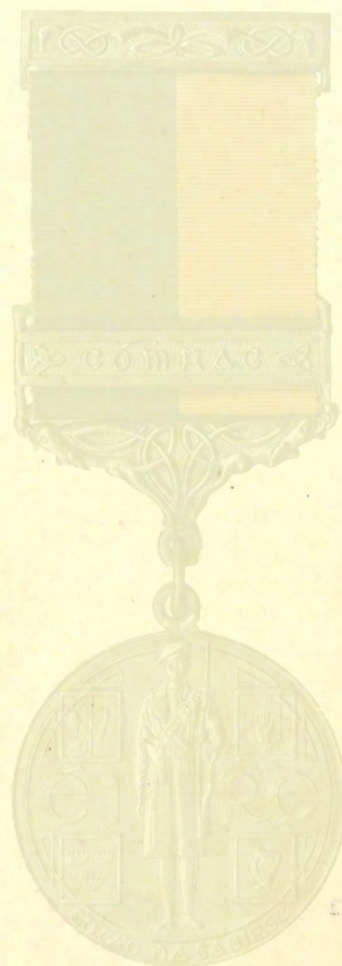
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Ref. No. 10978 Applicant's Name Lambert Patrick Address Quay, Westport, Co. Mayo. Referee R.3
 UNIT (1) Westport Lianna Cream (2) Westport Coy, Westport Battr., West Mayo Bde.
(3) Westport Battr. R. S. M. (4) West Mayo Bde. R. S. M.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	REMARKS
PERIOD	Service claimed	Active Service allowed	Equivalent for pension purposes.	
(1) 23/4/16 - 30/4/16	Full Period	/	/	Held for. No. 1000. New. Inham. ¹³ (7) 36.
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	Full Period			(8)
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	Full Period			(9)
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	Full Period			(10)
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	Full Period	/	/	Dismissed with the means ²⁸ (11) 36.
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	Full Period			(12)
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	Full Period	Full	1 yrs.	(13)
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	Full Period	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ yrs.	(14)
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	Full Period	$\frac{2}{3}$	$1\frac{1}{3}$ yrs.	Comp. ¹ (15) 5/3/36.
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	Full Period	Full.	1 yrs.	(16)

(a) First critical date (b) Second critical date
 Rank claimed on - Lieut.
 Rank allowed - ≡

Total of Column (a) 4 1/2 years ✓

SIGNED :- Seumas Robinson John Mc Coy. J. Fahy John Jordan

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Westport Quay
11th May 1936

Messrs.

The Secretary,

Military Service Board,
Dublin.

Sir

I applied for Pension & sent on all necessary information a considerable time ago & I still got no reply I trust you will be kind enough to bring my terrible plight before your Board with a view to allowing me some immediately. I am not working & in very poor state of health.

You sent me my Service certificate some time ago so I heard nothing since.

Trusting you will be kind enough to ask your Board to give my case immediate attention & a life

Yours faithfully
Patrick Lambert



Westport Quay
23rd 4th 1936

Sirs,

The Secretary,

Military Service Pension Board,
Griffiths Barracks,
Dublin.

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Sir

In reply to yours of the 3rd inst.
re pension. I am now quite satisfied
to accept same. I would feel grateful
if you would send it on immediately
as I am not working & is in very bad
circumstances. Trusting you will
be kind enough to oblige.

Yours faithfully,
Patrick Lambert.

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3rd April 1936

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your letter of 29th ultimo and with reference to the question of payment in your case I am to refer you to Section 3 paragraph (g), Second Schedule of the Military Service Pensions Act 1934, which states that

"the amount of a pension payable to a person in respect of whom a service certificate has been issued shall be in case such person served in the Forces on both the first critical date and the second critical date, and held different grades of rank on the said dates, an amount calculated at the rate per annum, which is the rate per annum appropriate to the higher of such grades of rank, in respect of each year or part of a year of his pensionable service"

The payment in cases similar to yours where different grades of rank were held on the two critical dates would, therefore, be calculated at the rate appropriate to the higher Grade - D - i.e., ten pounds per annum in respect of every year or part of a year of pensionable service.

It is understood that Mr. E. Moane, T.D., has already explained to you in detail the implications of the notice issued to you on the 13th ultimo.

I am to add that if you desire to submit any additional evidence in respect of your service, such evidence must be submitted in writing and reach this office not later than the 17th April 1936.

Mise, le meas.

Eb
RÚNAÍ

Mr. Patrick Lambert,
Quay, Westport,
CO. MAYO.

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The Quay
Westport
29-3-36

To Sec. Referee
Pensions Board

I note that
in one period I got only $\frac{1}{2}$ months
and I claim 1 year, viz. 1/4/20 -
31/3/21. I would feel very grateful
if you would let me know
by return of post, what amount
of money is made out for me
as I am graded Rank E. & D.



Thanking you
in Anticipation
I am Yours faithfully
Patrick J. Lambert

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~~Memo~~

Deputy M. Kilroy is to explain all the implications of the R.17. to applicant.

Eub

27/2/36.

Mr. Seamy

Deputy Moore will be before the Committee next week. Please ensure that this file is brought especially to my attention whatever day he is up.

Eub

27/3.

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Westport Quay.
19th March 1936

The Secretary,

Military Service Pension Board,
Griffith Barracks,
St. Lucan Rd.,
Dublin.

Dear Sir,

I would feel very much
obliged if you would supply me
per return with the following
information: - under the 1934
Military Pensions Act I have
received a certificate which
reads as follows -

Service 4 1/6 years
Rank 1st Crit date E
Rank 2nd Crit date D

How much money does
this entitle, me to per year.

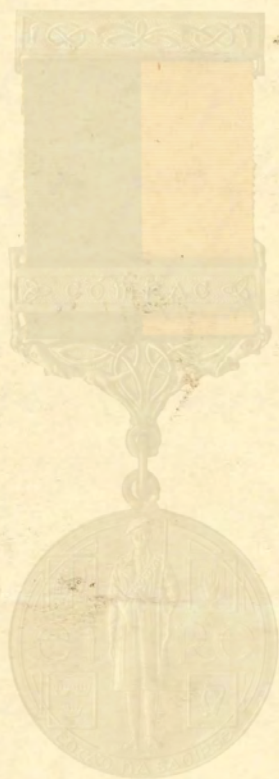
Please let me know
at your earliest Convenience,
to oblige

Yours faithfully,
Patrick Lambert,

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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. 10948

13 MAR 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		
(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		
(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—.....years.

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

“ “ “ “ 2nd “ “

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 6 APR 1936

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,

E. de Burca

Rúnái.

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. 34 SP/11640

To:

THE REFEREE.

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

Lambert Patrick
Quay, Westport, Co. Mayo
 for a Service Certificate.

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

Date.....

21 SEP 1935

Ref. No. M.S.P./34/Referee - 10948

To:

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I submit hereunder my report in this case.

R.F.H.

15/5/36

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(SIGNED) J. K. O'CONNOR

Referee.

Date 14/5/361. Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies? Yes2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established? Nil(2) Nil(3) Nil(4) Nil(5) Nil(6) 1/6 of

ENTIRE PERIOD

(7) ENTIRE PERIOD(8) 2 of

ENTIRE PERIOD

(9) 3 of

ENTIRE PERIOD

(10) ENTIRE PERIOD

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

46 years

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

(a) On first critical date. Grade E Para. 11(6)(b) On second critical date. Grade D Para. 11(4)(d)(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

or under sub-paragraph (m) of paragraph 4 of Rule I. of First Schedule, as a Medical Officer. No

To Minister

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 ?.....

no

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

no

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

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

nil

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

nil

(3) State—

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

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

Westport Unit

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

nil

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

nil

(3) State—

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

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

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. *Nil*

(3) State—

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

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant. *Westport Coy, Mayo Bde.*

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. *Nil*

(3) State—

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

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant. *Westport (A) Coy, Battr. III, West Mayo Bde.*

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

6 1/2

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act. *6 1/2*

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.

Deploy na L. L. L.

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

A Coy, Battr. III, West Mayo Bde.

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

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

1/6 of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

3 of 1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.

Deploy na L. L. L.

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

*A Coy, Battr. III, West Mayo Bde,
and A.S.U.*

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

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

ENTIRE PERIOD

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

1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.

Oplaj na h - beam

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

West Mayo Bde A.S.U.

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

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

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

 $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 year ✓

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.

Oplaj na h - beam

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

A Coy, Battr. III, West Mayo Bde.

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

 $\frac{2}{3}$ of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

 $\frac{1}{3}$ years ✓

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.

Oplaj na h - beam

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

*2nd Lieutenant
A Coy, Battr. III, West Mayo Bde.*

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

.....
ENTIRE PERIOD
.....

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

.....
1 year ✓
.....

(3) State—

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

Oplaj na h. Likam

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

"A" Coy, Battr. III, West Mayo Bde.
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Mr. Lunny

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SWORN STATEMENT made before THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE on the
21st DECEMBER, 1936, by PATRICK LAMBERT (10978).

- 1st Period: Q. You were attending mobilizations, and doing scout work?
A. Yes.
- Q. Had you any fighting?
A. No.
- 2nd Period: Q. You changed over to the Irish Volunteers, and drilled under arms, etc.?
A. Yes.
- 3rd Period: Q. You were an active Volunteer, attending all company drills, parades, etc., and active in anti-conscription campaign?
A. Yes.
- 4th Period: Q. How many arms raids had you in this period?
A. Three or four.
- 5th Period: Q. You were engaged in all drills and manoeuvres, obeying orders: had you any rank?
A. I was First Lieutenant.
- Q. How many men were in your company?
A. About 120.
- 6th Period: Q. You were in the burning of Quay Bks.?
A. Yes. It was Westport Quay.
- Q. You were waiting in ambush - where was that? You were
~~A2~~ waiting for lorries:
A. That was on the Leenane Road. It was some time after the burning of the barracks.
- Q. When was it burned?
A. The Quay Barracks was in 1918.
- Q. You say the Barracks was burned during the 6th Period?
A. I cannot think when it was.
- 7th Period: Q. When did you join the A.S.U.? You took part in an engagement at Kilmeena, and at Skirdagh, and Carrowkennedy: were you actually engaged in these fights?
A. Yes, and armed with a rifle, under Michael Kilroy.
- Q. Did you join the A.S.U. when it was formed?
A. Yes.
- Q. Was that the second fight at Carrowkennedy?
A. Yes, it was the second, the # big fight, which was 3rd June.
- Q. You were at the burning of Drummmin R.I.C. Bks.?
A. Yes.
- Q. It was evacuated?
A. Yes.

8th Period: Q. Were you in camps?

A. Yes. I was in Castlebar Barracks.

Q. How long were you in training camps?

A. I was in Castlebar Bks., the whole time. I went in when it was taken over.

Q. Had you no training camps?

A. I was not in any. I was in Castlebar the whole time.

Q. Between February, 1922 and July; what were you doing?

A. I was in Westport.

Q. Were there training camps?

A. Yes, around about. I was in one.

Q. How long did it last?

A. About a month or six weeks perhaps, I do not know.

Q. Where was it?

A. It was around Westport Area - it was in Owenwee.

Q. When Castlebar Bks., was taken over, you went in, and you were there till the start of the Civil War?

A. Yes.

9th Period: Q. Had you any fighting during the Civil War? You burned Military Bks.?

A. That was Castlebar Military Bks.

Q. What happened you after you burned the Barracks? Would that be about the end of July?

A. I went away with the crowd.

Q. Were you with the A.S.U.?

A. Yes.

Q. Who was in charge?

A. Andy Molloy.

Q. Had you any fights with that A.S.U.?

A. No.

Q. How was that? Did you leave it?

A. No.

Q. You say you operated communications, etc. Tell us exactly what you were doing in the Civil War?

A. I took part awaiting the enemy lorries.

Q. On how many occasions?

A. Two or three occasions, but they did not come our way.

Q. Where were these attempted ambushes?

A. There was one outside Castlebar, and another on the Leenane Road.

Q. Was there any sniping at Free State Barracks, or passing lorries?

A. No.

Q. Were you living at home?

A. No.

Q. You were on the run the whole time?

A. Yes.

10th Period: Q. You dumped arms on the Cease Fire: when did you go home to live at home?

A. A good while after. I was afraid to go home in case I would be arrested. It was going into 1924 when I went home.

Q. It would be the end of 1923?

A. Some time about that. I am not rightly sure.

Q. You were Lieutenant of Westport Company on the first date: Were you first or second Lieutenant?

A. I was First Lieutenant.

Q. On the first date, how many men in the Company?

A. 120.

Q. On the second date, was there much of a split; did there many go Free State - would 20 have gone?

A. There would be more.

Q. How many would be in the Company on the 2nd date?

A. About 100.

Q. The list has been sent in, I suppose?

A. I do not know.

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Referee R.15.

Organisation Records supplied by (a) J. L. Baker, adjt. Westport Battr. 1st C. Date.
(b) E. Moane, T.D. O/C West Mayo Bde. 2nd C. Date.

show that applicant was

(a) Vol. "A" (Westport) Coy. 3rd Battr. West Mayo Bde. 11.7.21

Strength 164.

(b) 2nd Lieut. "A" (Westport) Coy. 3rd Battr. West Mayo Bde. 1.7.22

Strength 145.

N.B.

E. Moane, T.D. in a summary of the West Mayo Bde shows the strength of "A" Coy. 3rd Battr. as being 120 on both C. Dates, which is at variance with his list submitted for 2nd C. Date.

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SIGNED:

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PENSIONS BRANCH

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). LAMBERT PATRICK
SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS. THE QUAY
(to be written in block capitals). WESTPORT CO MAYO

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? *Mobilized Sunday 29th. Dia Scout work & dispatches during week.*

(b) Unit or Units..... *Westport. Franna Linn*

(c) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *Full period*

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

..... *Westport.*

(e) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Tom Derrig T.D.*

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

..... *Attending Mobilization & Scout Work*

(g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the week..... *Mobilized and marched to Westport Sunday 29th*

(h) Absence from duty and cause..... *none*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>Tom K. Strick</i>	<i>Westport.</i>
<i>Ed. Moore T.D.</i>	<i>Westport.</i>
<i>James Malone (Capt. A.R.O.)</i>	<i>Westport.</i>

(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..... *Westport. Franna Linn*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *Full period*

..... *Westport.*

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

..... *Westport.*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Tom K. Strick*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Tom Derrig T.D.*

..... *Changed over to Irish Volunteers in 1917 drilled under Arms etc. etc*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Refer to E. above*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *none.*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Sam Kistritz	Westport, Co Mayo.
Ed. Moane T.O.	Westport, Co Mayo.
Jas. Malone Capt. A.D.O.	Westport Co Mayo

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

(a) Unit or Units..... Westport Coy, Westport Batts Mayo Brigade

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

..... Westport & Westport Oday

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... Joseph Ring & Ed Moane T.O.

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

..... Active volunteer obeying orders of my O/C

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

..... attended all Company drills, Parades, etc & Active in Anti-Conscription Campaign.

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... none

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Ed. Moane T.O.	Westport Co Mayo
Jas. Malone (Capt.) A.D.O.	Westport "
Sam Kistritz	Westport Co Mayo

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

(a) Unit or Units..... Westport Coy, Volunteers

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

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

..... Westport Coy Area

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... Jas. Malone (Capt.)

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

..... Raised for Arms etc etc

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period... *Raided for arms & collected arms throughout Coy. area*

(g) Absence from duty and cause... *none*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>James Malone (Capt.)</i>	<i>A.P.O. Westport, Co Mayo.</i>
<i>Ed. Sammon</i>	<i>John's Row Westport, Co Mayo</i>
<i>Ed. Moone T.D.</i>	<i>Westport, Co Mayo</i>

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Westport. Coy. Volunteers*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *Full period*

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

Westport. Batt. area

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *Joseph Ring*

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

Obedient all orders submitted to me by O.C.

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

Engaged in all drills & maneuvers.

(g) Absence from duty and cause... *none*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>James Flaherty</i>	<i>Fargrae, Westport, Co Mayo.</i>
<i>James Malone (Capt.)</i>	<i>Westport, Co Mayo.</i>
<i>G. R. Gibbons</i>	<i>Chomagh Lodge Westport.</i>

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Westport. Batt. A.S. Unit & Westport Coy. I.R.A.*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *Full period*

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

Westport Batt. area

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

Joe King

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

Under Arms with Batt. A.S. unit

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

*Burning of Quay Barracks, etc etc
Amlurke prepared & awaited enemy landing*

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

None

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

*James Malone (Capt.) P.A.D. Westport. Co Mayo.
Ed. Moane T.D. Westport. Co Mayo.
Joseph A. Baker Westport. Co Mayo.*

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

West Mayo Brigade A.S. unit

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

Full period

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

West Mayo Brigade area

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

Michael Kilroy T.D.

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

Active Service with A.S. unit

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

*Took part in engagements at Kilmelna,
Skindagh & Carrontkenedy & Burning
of Drummis R.I.C. Barracks*

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

None

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
M. Kilroy T.D.	Newport Co Mayo
Ed. Moane T.D.	Westport Co Mayo
Thomas Kilrick	Westport Co Mayo

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *West Mayo Brigade*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *Full period*

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

..... *West Mayo Brigade area*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Willie Malone*

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

..... *whole time officer in Barracks*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Stationed full time in barracks*

..... *drilling, training in use of arms etc etc*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *none*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Ed. Moane T.D.	Westport Co Mayo
Michael Kilroy T.D.	Newport Co Mayo
John R. Gibbons	Bloomagh Lodge Westport

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Westport Coy I.R.A. (West Mayo Brigade)*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *Full period*

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

..... *West Mayo Brigade area*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Ed Moane T.D. Brigadier*

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

..... *Operated against Free State Troops*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Burning of Military Barracks & operated Communication etc etc*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *none*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>Ed. Moane T.D.</i>	<i>Westport, Co Mayo</i>
<i>John R. Gibbons</i>	<i>Bloomagh Lodge, Westport,</i>
<i>James Flaherty</i>	<i>Fargra, Westport, Co Mayo.</i>

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Westport Coy. I.R.A*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *Full period*

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

Westport, Co Mayo

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Ed Moane T.D. Brigadier*

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

Dumping of Arms etc etc

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Dumped Arms on case file order loaded arrest etc etc*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *none*

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>Ed. Moane T.D.</i>	<i>Westport, Co Mayo</i>
<i>James Flaherty</i>	<i>Fargra, Westport.</i>
<i>John R. Gibbons</i>	<i>Westport, Co Mayo.</i>

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.....

(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.....

* 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.

..... Lieutenant Westport Coy. I.R.A.

(b) On second critical date.

..... Lieutenant Westport Coy. I.R.A.

References who can testify as to your statements:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Ed. Moane T.O.	Westport Co. Mayo
John R. Gibbons	Bloomage Lodge Westport
Jas. Malone (Capt.) P.A.O.	Westport
J. L. Baker	Westport Co Mayo

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

..... No

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

..... No

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

Army Pensions Act, 1923.

Army Pensions Act, 1927.

Army Pensions Act, 1932.

If so, with what result.

*Yes under Disability Act of 1932,
but was not called upon before board*

(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.
- (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.....

no

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.

I was in the National Movement since a boy and carried out all orders issued to me by my officer. I was responsible for getting my parents home broken up by enemy forces through my activities and lost my mother as a result.

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

Patrick Lambert
Wesley Dwyer

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

M J McGeary

Address of Witness.....

The Octagon
Wesley Dwyer

Qualification.....

R M R C P + S I

Date.....

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*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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