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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 his signature witnessed. The completed form must reach the Minister for Defence on or before the 30th June, 1945. 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). MURRAY EDWARD
SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS. ROSSCLAVE, NEWPORT,
(to be written in block capitals). 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 ?.....

(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.

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Newport Co. Newport Batt.*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *All Time*

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

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(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *W. Burke*

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

Drilling and Resisting of Conscription

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

the period... *Drilling Organising Despatch*

carrying

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

William Burke Drilling Newport Mayo
Michael Hilroy Newport Mayo

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Newport Co. Newport Batt.*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *All Time*

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered... *Newport. Helmeena Slenhest.*

W. Burke

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *W. Burke*

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

Drilling and Collecting fund for Arms

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

..... *Conscription*.....

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

..... *W. Burke Drimlong Newport*.....

..... *Michael Hilroy Newport Mayo*.....

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Newport Co. Newport Batt.*.....

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

..... *All time*.....

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

..... *Newport Glentworth Mullinam*.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *W. Burke*.....

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

..... *Police duty Raiding for Arms.*.....

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

..... *In charge of fire Arms.*.....

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

..... *None*.....

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

NAME

ADDRESS.

..... *W. Burke Drimlong Newport*.....

..... *M. Hilroy Newport Mayo*.....

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

(a) Unit or Units... *Newport Co. Newport Batt.*.....

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

..... *All time.*.....

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

Culmore Westport Road.

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

Edward Lyons.

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

Holding up R.I.C. Transport.

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

Armed hold up of R.I.C. Transport and Petrol taken Police duty Ambush on Westport Road.

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

None.

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>W. Burke</i>	<i>Drumlong Newport Mayo</i>
<i>J. McGuire</i>	<i>Mill Rd. Newport Mayo</i>

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

Newport Co. Newport Batt.

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

All time

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

*Carrowkneady
Newport Kilmara Skirdagh*

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

Joe Doherty U.S.A.

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

Fighting

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

Fighting

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

None

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Michael Kilroy Newport Mayo	
Jerry M. Sovern Yicunaur Mulranny	
Michael Gallagher James St. Westport	

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Newport Batt.*

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

All time.

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

Newport Castlebar

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

Jos. Clinton Newport

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

Drilling and Guard work

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

Doing Guard

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

None

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Michael Kilroy Newport Mayo	
Michael Gallagher James St. Westport	

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *4th Western Div. West Mayo Brigade*

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

All time

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

Newport Glenties Backagh Shrammore

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

J. Connelly

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

Fighting and in Jail.

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

Fighting and Ambushing

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

Saol.

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Michael Kilroy Newport Mayo.
P. J. M. Donald Feenane Salway.
Larry M. Jovan Feenane Mullanny

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

Arrested in November
Released in December 1923.

(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?.....

Saol.

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

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

Saol.

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

P. J. M. Donald Feenane Salway.
M. Kilroy Newport Mayo.

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.

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(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.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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GENERAL.

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS

- (a) On first critical date.

Volunteer

- Volunteer

NAME.

ADDRESS.

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Michael Kelly	Newport May 8
Larry W Severn	Yemassee M. L. S. M. L. S.
W Burke	Drumhams Newport

- (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.



- (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.

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

Army Pensions Act, 1923.

Army Pensions Act, 1927.

Army Pensions Act, 1932.

If so, with what result.

Yes under the 1932 act.

Turned down.

(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

Yes about six years ago. can't find number

(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.

Signature (or Mark) of Applicant..... *Edward L. Murray* *mark* *+*

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

M. D. Kelly

Address of Witness *+*

M. D. Kelly *Mill House*
Newport, Co. Mayo

Qualification..... *Peace Commissioner*

Date..... *16th May, 1945*

* 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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Ref. No. M.S.P./34/Referee—60748

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.

Edward Murray
Roselane, Newport, Co Mayo
for a Service Certificate.

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

Date.....22 May 1945.

Date.....

Referee.

1. Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies?.....
2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established (1).....
 (2)..... (3)..... (4).....
 (5)..... (6)..... (7).....
 (8)..... (9)..... (10).....
3. Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act.....
 years.....
4. Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed : —
 - (a) On first critical date Grade..... para.....
 - (b) On second critical date Grade..... para.....
 - (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.....

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

(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.....

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

(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.....

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

.....

(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.....

.....

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

.....

(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.....

.....

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

.....

(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.....

.....

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

.....

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

.....

(3) State—

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

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

.....

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

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

.....

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

.....

(3) State—

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

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

.....

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

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

.....

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

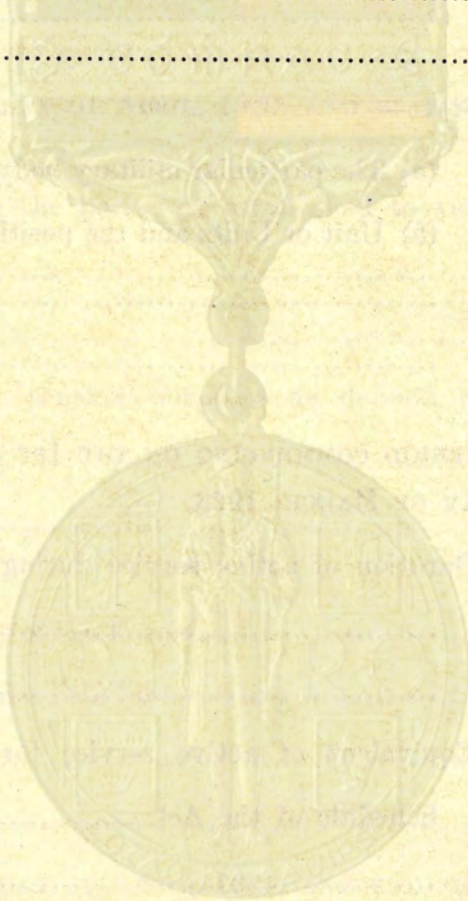
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(3) State—

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

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

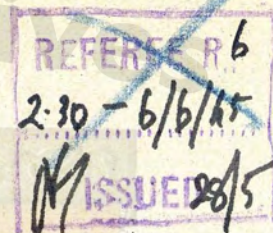
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May 19 65

ACHT NA bPINSEAN SEIRBHÍSE MÍLEATA, 1934.

(Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.)

IMPORTANT.

A Chara,

With reference to your application for a service certificate in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, I am directed by the Referee to request you to attend at Colaiste Caoimhín, Móibhí Road, Glasnevin, Dublin, not later than 2.30 o'clock, on Wednesday the 6 day of June, 19 65 FOR EXAMINATION ON OATH BEFORE THE REFEREE, in connection therewith.

I am also to request you to bring with you any signed statements as to your military service with the Forces which you may desire to submit for consideration, and to arrange for the attendance ~~at the interview~~ of any former members of the Forces whose evidence you may wish to adduce in support of your application. *your attendance and the witnesses' evidence is very desirable*

to It is necessary that all the evidence in your case should be available to the Referee and Advisory Committee at this sitting, following which the Referee proposes to conclude his investigation of your application. *If you fail to attend the Referee will proceed with the investigation in your absence.*

I am to point out that no claim in respect of your travelling expenses or any other expenses incurred by you, or by any witnesses other than those summoned by the Referee, can be entertained, and that Section 8(4) of the Act prescribes that the onus of proof shall rest on the applicant.

Mise, le meas,

Edward Murray

Rossclane

Edward Murray

RÚNAIDHE.

ER/FS.

Secretary

Call

John Connolly

Ballinrobe

*
Capt. Peter L. Donnell
Capt. in the Army.

R. contacts Deputy
Kilroy is about a
fortnight's time to
arrange for a
further session
for him - with
reading &
evening out
himself.

R.

No free day second half June for Deputy Kilroy

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APPLICANT'S NAME

Edward Lunny

Discussion with

Indine P.

applicant (Lunny)

Date

6/6/45

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)	I'm satisfied what's in the form is true.	
(2)		
(3)	A member of New York Coy from 1917.	
(4)	in my father's place	
(5)	Raid for arms - 8 or 9 hours - no opposition. The Ball's of C & I made the dump; we had about 40 shot-guns & ammunition in it; they were lifted just before the Tan War; since the Col. started that I had no guns in the dump. I carried despatches 3 or 4 times a week to Castlebr (Chambers of C), Larry McGovern, Terence, Anthony Callaghan, Glesher; Martin Gillons Kilmeena; and James Westgate. Castlebr bought - 8 or 9 miles; always walked it. I don't remember carrying a despatch	
(6)		

only one.

h Since I went on active service with
(7) (8) Torie Doherty's col., which was started in April
1921. I was in hold-up of R.I.C. on Westport
Road; there was a mistake made & the
car got through; no firing. In pursuit of about
8 tons of petrol from a private car. I was
in Skiridagh & Kilmeena ambushes. Kilmeena
was the first in May 1921; the B & Tans came
out from Westport in lorry & a car; there was
no road block; in position on the side of
a road; about 500 yds from the
roadway; about 30 men in the ambushing
party (i.e. of M. Kilroy; there were men with
short-fus weapons - about 50 yds; we were
on hand in wait; it occurred near midday;
(10) the car outflanked us & opened fire with a
machine-gun; when that happened it was the

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

O'Donnell was killed 50 or 60 yds away from
(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....
me; I didn't know when

RESULT OF DISCUSSION. O'Donnell was the then; Kilroy
Kilroy ordered us out of it.
Skiridagh; the Col was resting; the
Date.....

Proceeded with the Col. to the
MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934. ^{relief of} Form R. 18.

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APPLICANT'S NAME Edward Murray

For Discussion with Indice 7

Date 6/6/45

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)	Tans came out at day in the morning; they were attached and held up until the wounded men got away; I was 200/300	
(2)	Yds away firing & fired on; I fired about 18 or 19 shots. In planned ambush at Bresule	
(3)	Bridge & at Pacheig before the shooting in Newport. I wasn't actually at the fight	
(4)	at Carnockennedy; the night before the I was sent on a despatch & this is the	
(5)	reason I wasn't in it. I could have slept 10 nights at home in the 6 months before	
	the time but not more; I didn't stay 2 days in processing at home.	
(6) (6)	Time: In camp at Ballycroy for about a week in Bannoch in Newport & Castlebr. Newport the first which was taken over in April or May; then from the time Newport was taken over in the until sent to Dromore West to relieve Colloney. Brought ammunition to the Islands	

Kienleer.

(7)

In my opinion his acc of Sunday's ambush
is substantially correct. Verified evidence for
pre. Time generally but wants to be
allowed to give evidence in details
later as he hasn't had time to

(8)

prepare for the hearing. Wednesday
evening would suit best.

(9)

(10)

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

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Def. No. 60248

APPLICANT'S NAME

Edward Lunn

For Discussion with

John Connolly

Date

6/1/45

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)	in Doherty's Col. I met him in March 1921; on the 16th March he was in ambush position at D. I. Fing but the car got through (?) in ambush positions at Islandeady, Funness Litismachair. In fight at Kilmeena and Skirdeagh with the Col. went with Col. 6 relieve Tom Naguib's Col. but when they got there the fight was over. He was a full-time member of Doherty's Col. from March 1921 up to the time.	

(7)	In occupation of Westport a week previous to his death.	
(8)	I believe he was in the Camps as stated. I know he was in the Pks in Newport but can't say if he was full time there; they were taken over about March 1922.	
(9)	There was a Col. sent to Colliery from Castlebr & he could have been in it. I believe he was in hold up of car in a Westport road. He was with a Col and I think, honestly, was permanently with it. In repelling of landing of U.S. troops at Newport; several fights around there he can't	
(10)	Say definitely if he participated. Arrested in a fight at Brochuagh on 1st November 1922 & released in Dec 23.	

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

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Ref. No. 60248

APPLICANT'S NAME

Edward NugentFor ~~Discussion~~ withQuint S. Kilmer

Date

9/2/45

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)	I understand he was a despatch rider in 1919 & 1920	

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(7)

(8)

I met him in Bhs in Castlebr in April when I called there occasionally. I think he was a whole-time member of the garrison up to the time.

(9)

I know he was sent to Downmore Base. I met him back in Sep 1922. He was one of party repelling landing at Newport. In all the engagements around Newport at the time. He was then a full time Col. member up to

(10)

his work in Nov.

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

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Ref. No.

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APPLICANT'S NAME

Edward Barry

For Discussion with

Capt P.J. McDonnell
(Sworn)

Date

6/12/45

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)	I met him first in Dec '20, on arrival from for an D.R.A. meeting. I heard of the attempted hold-up of. I felt & believe he was in it. I knew he belonged to Doherty's Col.	

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(7)

(8)

He was in the whole time in Castleboro from April 1922 to the Civil War.

(9)

Early in July a col. went to Collingwood but I while I can say he went I believe he did. I know he was in a few attacks in Newport town. In the attack on Castleboro jail. I believe he was in spelling of landing at Newport because all the local col. were in it. I can safely say that he was in a Col from the outbreak of the Civil War up to his death in a fight in Nov. 1922.

(10)

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

Evidence of applicant (sworn) 6th June, 1945.

I'm satisfied what's in the form is true.

3. A member of Newport Company 1917.

5. Raids for arms - 8 or 9 houses - no opposition. The Battn. O/C. and I made a dump in my father's place; we had about 40 shot-guns and ammunition in it; they were lifted just before the Tan War; since the Col. started there were no guns in the dump. I carried despatches 3 or 4 times a week to Castlebar (Chambers, O/C.) Larry McGovern, Tieranar; Anthony Callaghan, Glenhest; Martin Gibbons, Kilmeena; and Malones, Westport. Castlebar longest - 8 or 9 miles; always walked it. I don't remember carrying a despatch, only one, since I went on active service with Josie Doherty's col., which was started in April 1921. I was in hold-up of R.I.C. on Westport Road; there was a mistake made and the car got through; no firing. In seizure of about 8 tins of petrol from a private car. I was in Skirdagh and Kilmeena ambushes. Kilmeena was the first in May 1921; the Black and Tans came out from Westport in lorries and a car; there was no road-block; in position on one side of a road; about 30 men in the ambushing party i/c. of M. Kilroy; there were men with shot-guns nearer - about 50 yds. from the roadway; we weren't an hour in wait; it occurred near midday; one car outflanked us and opened fire with a machine-gun; when that happened it was the best way a man could get out of it; Tom O'Donnell was killed 50 or 60 yds. away from me; I didn't know where O'Donnell was then; Kilroy ordered us out of it.

Skirdagh: the Col. were resting; the Tans came out at day-break in the morning; they were attached and held up until the wounded men got away; I was 200/300 yds. away firing and fired on; I fired about 18 or 19 shots. In planned ambushes at Bresule Bridge and at Fachee for 2 days before the shooting in Newport. I wasn't actually at the fight at Carrowkenedy; the night before I was sent on a despatch and this is the reason I wasn't in it. I could have slept 10 nights at home in the 6 months before the Truce but not more; I didn't stay 2 days in succession at home. Proceeded with the Col. to the relief of Tom Maguire's Col.

8. Truce: In camp at Ballycroy for about a week and Carrowbeg for a week or fortnight. In Barracks in Newport and Castlebar. Newport the first which was taken over in April or May; From the time Newport was taken over, in Bks. until sent to Dromore West to relieve Collooney. Brought ammunition to the Islands.

9. Civil War: Held up a car on the Westport road and took two F.S. officers prisoners. In beating-off attempted F.S. landing at Newport; fighting lasted a few hours. In the attack on Castlebar Jail. In engagement with F.S. soldiers at Newport. Arrested 1st November 1922 with 18 of the Col.; I had been moving around with them all the time and never slept a night at home; it was a surprise; held until Dec. 1923. In attack on Newport.

John Connolly, Ballinrobe and Peter McDonnell, Capt. in F.S. Forces to be called.

Evidence of M. Kilroy (sworn) 6/6/45.

7. In my opinion his account of Kilmeena ambush is substantially correct. Verified evidence for pre-Truce generally but wants to be allowed to give evidence in detail later as he hasn't had time to prepare for the hearing. Wednesday evening would suit best.

EVIDENCE OF JOHN CONNOLLY (SWORN) 6th Dec., 1945.

6. I met him in March 1921 in Doherty's Col.; on the 16th March he was in ambush position on D.I. Fuge but the car got through.
7. In ambush positions at Islandeady, Furness, Leitirmachaire. In fight at Kilmeena and Skirdagh with the col. Went with col. to relieve Tom Maguire's col. but when they got there the fight was over. He was a full-time member of Doherty's col. from March 1921 up to the Truce. In occupation of Westport a week previous to Kilmeena.
8. I believe he was in the camps as stated. I know he was in the Bks. in Newport but can't say if he was full-time there; they were taken over about March 1922.
9. There was a col. sent to Colloney from Castlebar and he could have been in it. I believe he was in hold-up of car on Westport road. He was with a col. and I think, honestly, was permanently with it. In repelling of landing of F.S. troops at Newport; several fights around there but can't say definitely if he participated. Arrested in a fight at Brochagh on 1st November 1922 and released in Dec. '23.

EVIDENCE OF DEPUTY S. KILROY (SWORN) 6th Dec. 1945.

6. I understood he was a despatch rider in 1919 and 1920.
8. I met him in Bks. in Castlebar in April when I called there occasionally. I think he was a whole-time member of the garrison up to the Truce.
9. I know he was sent to Dromore West. I met him next in Sept. 1922. He was one of party repelling landing at Newport. In all the engagements around Newport at the time. He was then a full time col. member up to his arrest in Nov.

EVIDENCE OF CAPT. P.J. McDONNELL (SWORN) 6/12/1945.

6. I met him first in Dec. '20, on armed guard for an I.R.A. meeting. I heard of the attempted hold-up of Fuge and believe he was in it. I knew he belonged to Doherty's col.
8. He was in bks. wholetime in Castlebar from April 1922 to the Civil War.
9. Early in July a col. went to Colloney but while I can't say he went I believe he did. I know he was in a few attacks in Newport town. In the attack on Castlebar jail. I believe he was in repelling of landing at Newport because all the local cols. were in it. I can safely say that he was in a col. from the outbreak of the civil war up to his arrest in a fight in Nov. 1922.

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OIFIG AN RÉITEÓRA,
14, Ardán Phuirt an Iarla,
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.

P.S.M.
Oifis an Réiteora

FAIGHTE

Date 14/11

9/11/45

1945.

ACHT NA bPINSEAN SEIRBHÍSE MÍLEATA, 1934.

A Chara,

With reference to your recent application under
the above Act, please state: -

REPLY

(1) have you made a previous
application under the Act ...

No

if so, quote reference number
of such application

and/or

address from which it was
made

(2) have you applied for military
service medal

No

if so, quote reference number
of such application

and/or

address from which it was
made

Signature → Edward Murray

A postage-free envelope is enclosed for your reply,
which should be forwarded on this form within seven days of
above date.

Mise, le meas,

RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Edward Murray,
Rosslare,
New Port,
Co Mayo.

ER/FS.

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OIFIG AN RÉITEÓRA,
COLAISTE C. OIMHIN, 14, Ardara Phiarist
GLASNAIDHEAN, an Iarla,
(BÓTHAR MOIBHÍ),
BAILE ATHA CLIAITH.

28 November 1945.

..CHT N. bPINSEAN SEIRBHÍSE MÍLEAT., 1934.

.. Cuara,

I am directed by the Referee to request your attendance at this Office at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday the 6th Dec. 1945 to give oral evidence before him regarding the nature and extent of the military service rendered with the Forces (1916 - 1923) by the person under-mentioned, in respect of whom application for the award of Military Service certificate has/~~have~~ been submitted to the Referee for investigation and Report.

.. free Travel Voucher (No.) is enclosed for

Issued to your journey.

Reply issued

Mise, le meas,

(1) S. Kilroy, T.D.,
Pollacabul,
Belmullet & at Arkhail

* (2) Capt. P. J. McDonnell, 425483
Customs Bks.,

(3) John Bennell, 425482
5h. Athy St. Ballinrobe.

RÚN. IDHE.

Ref. No.	Name	Address	Unit
60248	Murray Edward	Rosaclave, Newport, Co. Mayo.	Newport Coy. 2nd Bn. West Mayo Bde.
<u>Applicant advised</u>			
* Adjutant General notified.			

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

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Ref. No. 60248

APPLICANT'S NAME

Murray Edward

Discussion with evidence of Michael Kilroy Date 13.12.45
sworn.

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)		
(2)	He was one of the first men to join the vols in the area in 1914 and helped in the organisation and remained with us up to the end.	
(3)	He was always to the fore in carrying desps and in the performance of any other duties during the Conscriptive period	
(4)	and was used as a link between Newport & Brochuagh where a Coy. was formed in 1917	
(5)	He took part in the general raid for arms in 1919 and I think these raids extended into 1920. He took part in an attempt to shoot D.I. Fidge. He was not sleeping away from home until Apr or May 1921 when the Col was formed. He was one of the first men to join the Column as was to be expected from one of his type. Before joining he held up a petrol lorry on the Castlebar road.	
(6)	This was in 1920.	

(7)

He was full time with the Col. and took part in two of the 3 big fights in which the Col. engaged. On the occasion of the 3rd, I think Garrawhennedy, he was sent by Batt O'c with a dispatch. The Batt O'c, O'aherty, was on the Col at the time. He took a major part in the

(8)

2 fights Scardagh & Kilmeeny. He also took part in an attack on Newport Bks with 3 or 4 other column men.

(8)

He was in Ballycrov Camp, definitely, for about 2 wks and I believe he was in the Coy. camp also for a couple wks.

(9)

He was in Newport Bks for some time - I do not know how long, but I believe he was there from the time the Bks was taken over. He went from Newport to Castlebar where he joined A.S.W.

(10)

(9) He was a full time member of the Col until he was captured in November 1922 after a fight at Broughagh outside Newport.

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK

(a) First Critical Date..... Prior to this (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

in 3 or 4 fights at least against 7 Stater.
- landing at Newport, Newport road.
Castlebar, a second attack
outside Newport

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No. 60248

APPLICANT'S NAME

Edward Murray☒ Discussion withexaminee J. Michael Kelly
sworn

Date

13.12.45

PERIOD	OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE.	PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT
(1)	I remember distinctly that I wished his OTC to give him rank but because he was such a good man but Murray refused. The fact that he had a stutter was I think the cause for his refusal.	
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		

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(8)

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(10)

OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

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

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

EVIDENCE OF MICHAEL KILROY (SWORN) 13th Dec., 1945.

He was one of the first men to join the vols. in the area in 1917 and helped in the organisation and remained with us up to the end.

He was always to the fore in carrying despatches and in the performance of any other duties during the conscription period and was used as a link between Newport and Brockagh where a coy. was formed in 1917. He took part in the general raid for arms in 1919 and I think these raids extended into 1920. He took part in an attempt to shoot D.I. Fudge. He was not sleeping away from home until April or May 1921 when the col. was formed. He was one of the first men to join the column as was to be expected from one of his type. Before joining he held up a petrol lorry on the Castlebar Road. This was in 1920.

7. He was full time with the col. and took part in two of the three big fights in which the col. engaged. On the occasion of the 3rd, I think Carrowkenedy, he was sent by Battn. O/C. with a despatch. The Batt. O/C., O'Doherty, was in the col. at the time. He took a major part in the two fights, - Scardagh and Kilmeeney. He also took part in an attack on Newport bks. with 3 or 4 other column men.
8. He was in Ballycroy Brigade camp, definitely, for about 2 weeks and I believe he was in the coy. camp also for a couple of weeks. He was in Newport Bks. for some time - I do not know how long - but I believe he was there from the time the Bks. was taken over. He went from Newport to Castlebar where he joined A.S.U.
9. He was a full time member of the col. until he was captured in Nov. 1922 after a fight at Brockagh outside Newport. Prior to this, he had taken part in 3 or 4 fights at least against F. Staters - landing at Newport, Newport Road, Castlebar; a second attack outside Newport.

I remember distinctly that I wished his O/C. to give him rank because he was such a good man but Murray refused. The fact that he had a stutter was, I think, the cause for his refusal.

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Applicant's Name

Murray Edward

Address: -

Hoselwood Okeford

UNIT: -

Okeford Coy. 2nd Batt West Dorset

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active service allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes	REMARKS
(1) 23/4/16 - 29/4/16				
(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	Indon	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$ yrs ✓	Auntingham Figra 2. 1/2 3. 1. 46
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21		Full.	1 .. ✓	
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$.. ✓	
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23		Full	2 .. ✓	
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23		Full	1 .. ✓	

(a) First critical date.

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(b) Second critical date.

E

Rank claimed on

Rank allowed

E

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SIGNED:

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Total of Column (d)

4 7/8

4 7/8

R. 17.

Any reply should bear

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and your Former Unit.

OIFIG AN RÉITEÓRA,

(Office of the Referee)

COLAISTE CAOIMHÍN,

(St. Kevin's College)

GLASNAOIDHEAN,

(Glasnevin)

BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

(Dublin).

7 January 1946

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	NIL	NIL
(4) 1/4/18 — 31/3/19	NIL	NIL
(5) 1/4/19 — 31/3/20	NIL	NIL
(6) 1/4/20 — 31/3/21	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
(7) 1/4/21 — 11/7/21	FULL	1
(8) 12/7/21 — 30/6/22	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
(9) 1/7/22 — 31/3/23	FULL	2
(10) 1/4/23 — 30/9/23	FULL	1

Grade of rank on 1st critical date *E*

TOTAL— *4 5* years.

" " 2nd " " *E*

I am also to inform you that if you desire to submit any additional evidence or to make any representations with a view to the revision of these findings, such evidence or representations must be submitted in writing to the Referee and must reach this office not later than *28 January 1946*.

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.

M. Edward Murray
Rossclane

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(*signed*) *Féar*
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Newport
Co. Mayo.

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Mr. Egan

Military Affirmative

Rebort for signature
by Referee, psc. No
appeal received.
against findings (R. 17)

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SCHEDULE.

M.S.P. 34/2A.

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

345P 61170

Reference No. 60248

Applicant's Name Murray Edward

Address Roselane Newport, Co. Mayo

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.....E..... 1(16)
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17	-	- period	- year	2nd critical date.....E..... 1(16)
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	Irish Volunteers	NIL period	NIL year	Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to 11th July, 1921?no....
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	"	NIL period	NIL year	Does applicant's case fall under—
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	Uglaigh na h-Eirinn	NIL period	NIL year	(a) sub-para. (j) of para. 3 of Rule I of the First Schedule?no....
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	"	$\frac{1}{6}$ period	$\frac{1}{3}$ year(s)	(b) sub-para. (m) of para. 4 of Rule I of the First Schedule?no....
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	"	FULL period	1 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 the applicant states that he is not.
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ period	$\frac{1}{2}$ year	
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	"	FULL period	2 year(s)	
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	"	FULL period	1 year	
TOTAL			4 $\frac{5}{6}$ year(s)	

To—THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I submit hereon my report in this case.

Date 31. 1. 46

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

the applicant states "yes, about six years ago. Can't find number."