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NÁ CURTEAR ÉANTUAIRISC AR AN GCLÚDACH SO.

Tá annso, leis,

An Uimhir.

An Gnó.

E 4788

3760

34 s s/-

Hughes Michael

31 Boncoranille
Ballina
Mayo

An Uimhir ag Roinn Eile.

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SP 1/P/302

Do cuireadh chun

Dáta.

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Mr. Bolger

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31, Corcoran Terrace,

DEPT. OF DEFENCE

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14. SEP. 1934

ARMY PENSIONS BRANCH.

Ballina

Co. Mayo

A copy

I beg to apply for Form of Application to entitle me to receive a pension under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and thank you in anticipation for same.

Yours sincerely

Michael Hughes.

12th Sept., 1934.

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	Ref.	Date	Signature
(1) Previous papers under—			
(a) Army Pensions Act, 1923	D.P. 4575 1/P302	24/12/38	For
(b) " " " 1927			
(c) " " " 1932			
(d) Military Service Pensions Act, 1924	Lal	16.4.35	Durendra
(e) Military Tribunal	NIL	24/2/38	For
(2) M.S.P./34/1 issued to applicant	NIL	26/11/40	J. Logan
(3) " returned by "			
(4) " " to " for further particulars or completion	1/M/63/7	5-MAY 1935	C. S. Munizhala
(5) M.S.P./34/1 returned by applicant		7-5-35	Joseph Smith
(6) R.C.8/SP/34 issued			
(7) M.S.P./34/1 and M.S.P./34/2 to Referee		3 MAY 1939	S. S. Muniada
(8) M.S.P./34/2 returned by Referee			
(9) M.S.P./34/5 to General Prisons Board	L. 512	19/2/38	Munaf
(10) M.S.P./34/5 returned by " " "	" "	28/2	Munaf
(11) File to Minister re Service Certificate		2 JAN 1939	Munaf
(12) Service Certificate issued to applicant		27/9/40	90 19/11/40
" " held by "		19/11/40	
" " returned to "			
(13) M.S.P./34/7 to D. Finance		JAN 1939	Munaf
(14) M.S.P./34/7 returned by Finance		18/1/39	Munaf
		18/12/40	Munaf

M.S.P. 34. 11 issued

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March, 1938.

Rúnaidhe Aire,
Roinn Dlíghídh agus Cirt.

I am desired by Mr. Aiken to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ultimo, and enclosures, in connection with the application of Mr. Michael Hughes, 31, Corcoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo, for a Service Certificate under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and to state that the matter is being brought to the attention of the Referee.

H. C. BRADY

Rúnaidhe Aire.

Issued 7/3/38
Initials *MS*

Rúnaidhe do'n Réiteoir.

Cuirtear chughat.

Rúnaidhe Aire.

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34/SP/.....

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Hughes Michael

Department of Justice record of imprisonment is as follows:—

See file 34/SP/Misc./10.

List *5/2*

RECORD OF SENTENCE.

Nil

Initials *unrate*

Date *2/3/38*

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2 JAN 1935

RUNAÍDHE,
ROINN AIRGID.

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that a service certificate under Section 10 (2) of the Act has been granted to—

Michael Hughes 31 Corcoran Terrace, Ballina Co Mayo
based on the findings of the Referee, as contained in his report which is attached.

The Minister now proposes, with the sanction of the Minister for Finance, and in accordance with the terms of Section 11 of the Act, to grant

Michael Hughes
a pension, the details of which are as follows:—

Total service for pension purposes as defined by the Second Schedule of the Act, and certified by the Referee *4 ¹⁹/₃₆* years.

Grade of rank for pension purposes as defined by Section 4 (1) and the First Schedule of the Act, and certified by the Referee Grade *E*.....

Rate of pension per year of service as defined by Section 11 (4) and the Second Schedule of the Act £ *5* : = : =

Total pension payable per annum as from the 1st October, 1934 £ *22* : *12* : *9*

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(Sd.) M. J. Beary.

34SP/3760

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

SERVICE CERTIFICATE.

In the matter of the application of *Michael Hughes, 31 Corcoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo*.....
for a Service Certificate in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and the Regulations made thereunder,

WHEREAS the Minister for Defence has taken into consideration the report of the Referee appointed under the Act on the application.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the said *Michael Hughes*.....
has rendered Service in the Forces and during the periods as set out as follows:—

unite

Service period prescribed in the Act.	Forces in which Active Service was rendered.	Duration of Active Service during each of the prescribed periods as established to the satisfaction of the Referee.
1. The week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916	IRISH VOLUNTEERS	
2. 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	IRISH VOLUNTEERS IRISH VOLUNTEERS	
3. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1917, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1918 ...	IRISH VOLUNTEERS	
4. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1918, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1919 ...	IRISH VOLUNTEERS	
5. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1919, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1920 ...	Oglaigh na h-Eireann.	$\frac{1}{12}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
6. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1920, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1921 ...	Oglaigh na h-Eireann.	$\frac{1}{12}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
7. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921 ...	Oglaigh na h-Eireann.	ENTIRE PERIOD
8. The period commencing on the 12th day of July, 1921, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1922 ...	Oglaigh na h-Eireann.	$\frac{1}{2}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
9. The period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1923 ...	Oglaigh na h-Eireann.	$\frac{8}{9}$ OF ENTIRE PERIOD
10. The period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1923, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923 ...	Oglaigh na h-Eireann.	ENTIRE PERIOD

AND THAT for the purpose of the Act the grade of rank of the said applicant is Grade *E*.....

Dated this *31st* day of *December, 1938*.....

(Sd.) *M. J. Beary*

Ca. Rúnaí, Roinn Cosanta.

BR

34SP/3760.

4 JAN 1939

A CHARA,

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to refer to your application under the provisions of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, for a service certificate and to forward herewith the certificate granted as a result of that application.

You are requested to acknowledge its receipt on the enclosed form and to return the form as soon as possible. An addressed envelope, which need not be stamped, is enclosed for the purpose.

This certificate should be very carefully preserved, and in this connection your attention is directed to the terms of Section 14 of the Act printed overleaf.

A communication will be sent to you at an early date regarding the granting of a Military Service Pension.

Mise, le meas,

muir
MR. Michael Hughes

[Signature]
Rúnaidhe.

31, Corcoran Terrace,
Ballina, Co. Mayo.

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SECTION 14 OF THE MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

(1) Where—

(a) a certificate of military service or a service certificate has been issued to any person, and

(b) the Minister is required by the immediately preceding Section to revoke or amend such certificate,

the Minister shall send by registered post, addressed to such person at his last known residence, a notice requiring such person to send such certificate to the Minister within such time after the service of such notice as may be specified in such notice.

(2) If any person upon whom a notice under this Section has been served fails to comply with such notice, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this Section, and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding ten pounds and a further fine not exceeding one pound for every day during which such offence is continued.

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PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE FIRM.

RUTTLEDGE & CORR.
SOLICITORS.

PATRICK J. RUTTLEDGE,
EDMUND A. CORR. K/S.
PHONE: BALLINA 4.

Ballina,
CO. MAYO.

7th January, 1939.

The Secretary,
Department of Defence,
Parkgate,
D U B L I N

DEPT. OF DEFENCE,
RECEIVED
9 JAN 1939
PENSIONS BRANCH

Dear Sir,

Ref No. 34SP/3760
Re: Michael Hughes, 31, Corcoran Tee;
Ballina, Co. Mayo.

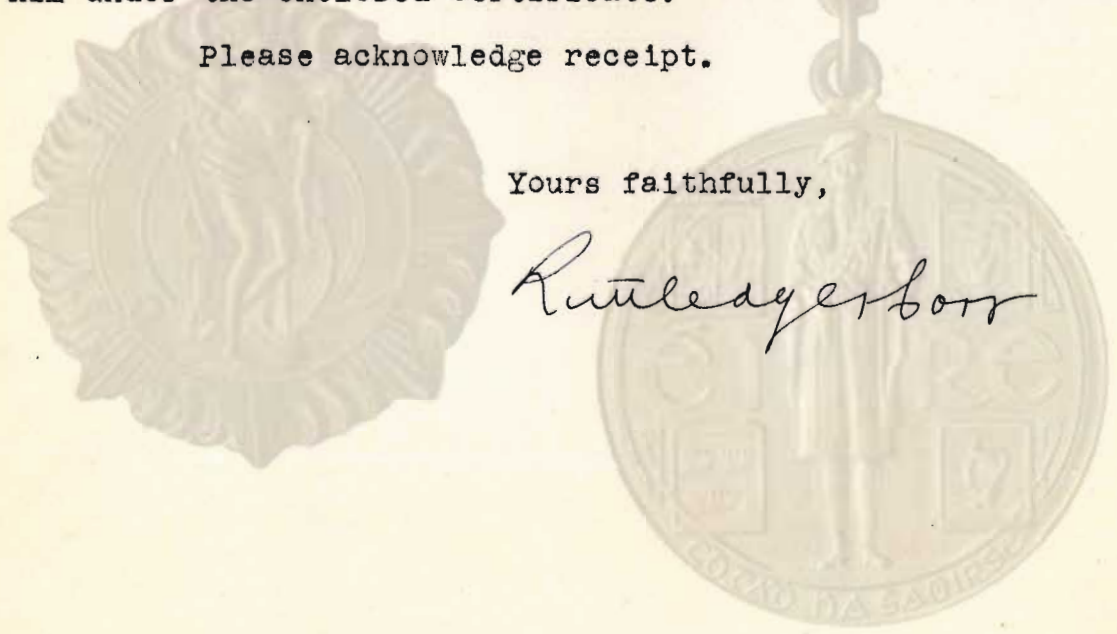
We act for the above-named Mr. Michael Hughes, who has handed us Service Certificate under the Military Service Pension Acts, 1934 Number 34SP/3760 and he has instructed us to return same to you, as our client contends that he is entitled to a pension under the said Act of Grade D.

Our client will not accept the pension granted to him under the enclosed Certificate.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

Ruttledge & Corr



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Ein-fhreagra ar a' litir seo, ba chóir é stiúradh chun an :-

(Any reply to this communication should be addressed to the :-)

Rúnaidhe
(Secretary)

fé'n uimhir seo :-

(and the following number quoted :-)



ÉIRE

ROINN AIRGEADAIS
(Department of Finance),

SRÁID MHUIRBHTEANN UACHT.,
(Upper Merrion Street),

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH,
(Dublin).

P. 20/ 7 /39.



Rúnaidhe,
Roinn Cosanta.

I am directed by the Minister for Finance to refer to your minute of the 2nd instant (No. 34SP/3760.) intimating that a certificate of Military Service has been granted, pursuant to Section 10 (2) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, to Mr. Michael Hughes of 31 Corcoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo. and I am to state that the Minister sanctions the grant under Section 11 of the Act of a pension at the rate of Twenty-two Pounds, £ 22. 12. 9. Twelve Shillings and Nine Pence. a year to Mr. Hughes with effect as from the 1st October, 1934, inclusive.

The Report of the Referee is returned herewith.

S. Almond

18 Eanáir, 1939

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Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. *34SP/3760*

Ref. No. *M.S.P./34/Reference 4334*

To:

To:

THE REFEREE.

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.

Hughes, Michael
31 Corcoran Terr., Ballina, Co Mayo
for a Service Certificate.

DEPT. OF DEFENCE,
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19 DEC 1938
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The report should take the form of replies to the questions set out herewith.

J. J. Morgan

Tomás de Souza
Referee.

Date *8 MAY 1935*

Date *13. 12. 38*

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

2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established. *(1) nil*

(2) nil *(3) nil* *(4) nil*

(5) 1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD *(6) 1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD* *(7) ENTIRE PERIOD*

(8) 1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD *(9) 8/9 of ENTIRE PERIOD* *(10) ENTIRE PERIOD*

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

4 19/36 years

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

(a) On first critical date *Grade E Para 1 (b)*

(b) On second critical date *Grade E Para 1 (b)*

(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 ?.....

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 Volunteers*

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

Castlebar boy

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*

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(3) State—

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

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

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.....
Battlebox boy

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.....
Batt. I West Mayo R'de

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

.....
1/12 of ENTIRE PERIOD
.....

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

.....
1/12 of 1 year
.....

(3) State—

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

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

.....
Bally I. West Mayo R'de,
.....

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

.....
1/12 of ENTIRE PERIOD
.....

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

.....
1/6 of 1 year
.....

(3) State—

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

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

.....
Bally I. West Mayo R'de,
and A.S.W.
.....

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.....

.....
1 year
.....

(3) State—

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

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

A.S.U. - West Mayo R'de,

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

1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

1/2 of 1 year

(3) State—

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

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

Batt. I. West Mayo R'de,

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

8/9 of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

1 2/3 years

3) State—

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

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

*Batt. I. West Mayo R'de,
and Internment,*

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—

Oglaigh na h-Eireann

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

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

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34 SP/3760.

24 January, 1939.

A Chairde,

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to refer to your letter of the 7th instant enclosing the Military Service Certificate in the case of Mr. Michael Hughes of 31 Coreoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo, and to state that as Mr. Hughes has already been afforded an opportunity of appealing against the findings of the Referee appointed under the Act before the report was furnished to the Minister, an appeal cannot be accepted from him at this stage.

I am to add that the service and rank embodied in the Service Certificate, which is returned herewith, is, in accordance with Section 9 of the Act, final and conclusive and binding on Mr. Hughes. On return of the acknowledgment form for the Service Certificate, arrangements will be made for payment of pension.

Mise le meas,

29/1/39.
J.M.
Messrs. Rutledge & Corr,
Solicitors, Ballina,
Co. Mayo.

24/1/39
Rúnaidhe.

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PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE FIRM.

RUTTLEDGE & CORR,
SOLICITORS.

PATRICK J. RUTTLEDGE,
EDMUND A. CORR.

PHONE: BALLINA 4.



Ballina

CO. MAYO.

Secretary,
Department of Defence,
Parkgate, Dublin.

Military Pensions Service Act 1934.
re/ Michael Hughes.
Ref. No. 34 SP/3760

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 24th January last, we are instructed by our client, Mr. Michael Hughes of 31 Corcoran Terrace, Ballina to return you the enclosed service certificate under the above-mentioned Acts, dated the 31st December 1938 as our client refuses to accept the pension granted to him. Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

Michael Hughes

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34 S.P./3760.

28 July, 1939.

A Chairde,

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to refer to your letter of the 22nd instant in connection with the application of Mr. Michael Hughes, 31, Corcoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo, under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and to state it is noted that your client refuses to accept the Service Certificate granted as a result of that application.

In the circumstances, no further action will be taken in the matter.

Mise, lé meas,

R
*R*únaidhe.

Messrs. Ruttledge & Corr,
Solicitors,
Ballina,
Co. Mayo.

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Read	
Checked	

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leacáin miontuairisce.

m.s.c.

Mr Kelly,

TASAIRC.....

Please arrange to have this
Case given a number in the ledger
& return to me.

J. H.
20.X.39

~~Mr Hogan~~

Entered in ledger and checked. File
returned by w as requested. JH⁹³
20/10/39

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12th Nov 1940
Paisce
12th Nov 1940
Daireann na Daireann
Anceadar

31, Corcoran Tce,
Ballina,
Co. Mayo.

11th November, 1940.

The Secretary, Dept of Defence.,
Park Gate,
Dublin

Dear Sir,

(3)
Ref No. I/P/302
Army Pensions Act 1932/134

With reference to the Pension awarded to me under the above-mentioned Act I have now decided to accept same and I shall be glad if you will please forward me Pay Order for the full amount of Pension and arrears now due to me under the above Acts, together with Statement showing how the amount payable is arrived at.

Yours faithfully,

Michael Hughes

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FORM

Finance Regy

Perhaps you will say
whether there is a 34 Act
award in this case, please,

JG $\frac{14}{11}$ F50.
 $\frac{11}{40}$

E4788 = 722-12-9

~~JG~~ $\frac{14}{11}$
 $\frac{11}{40}$

5-51/3760

Ref 4334

Refuse a cent.

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34/S 3760.
E.4788.

20 November, 1940.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to refer to your letter of the 11th instant, in connection with the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and to return herewith the Service Certificate granted as a result of your application. On the return of the acknowledgment form for the Service Certificate, arrangements will be made for the payment of pension.

Mise, le meas,

ml
I
a/s Kúnaidhe.

Mr. Michael Hughes,
31, Corcoran Terrace,
Ballina,
CO. MAYO.

Typed	<i>Paul</i>
Read
Checked	<i>Sw</i>

Issued 20 NOV 1940
Initials *[Signature]*
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Ref. No. 34SP/.....³⁴⁶⁰.....

M.S.P. 34/6A.

Rúnaí,
Roinn Cosanta,
Baile Atha Cliath.

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22 NOV 1940

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I hereby acknowledge the receipt of the service certificate granted in my case by the Minister for Defence under the provisions of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Signature Michael Hughes.....

Address 31 Locron Terrace,.....

Ballina Co. Mayo......

Date 21/11/40.....

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AWARD CERTIFICATE.

Any further communications on this subject should be addressed to [redacted] and the above number quoted.

ROINN COSANTA,
(Department of Defence),

GEATA NA PAIRCE,
(Parkgate),

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
(Dublin).

25 November, 1940.

I am directed to inform you that in accordance with the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, the Minister for Defence has granted you a pension of £ 22.12.9. (Twenty-Two Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Nine Pence) per annum, which is payable as from the 1st October, 1934, and which will be subject to deduction under Section 20 (1) of the Act in respect of receipts by you from Public Moneys.

I have also to state that it is your duty to inform the Minister at once of any receipts by you of any Public Moneys as defined by Section 20 (1) of the Act.

[Signature]

Rúnaí.

* To Mr. Michael Hughes,
31, Corcoran Terrace,
Ballina, Co. Mayo.

25 NOV 1940
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Section 20 (1) of the Mil. Ser. Pensions Act, 1934, defines Public Moneys as—" 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."

Extract from Mil. Ser. Pensions Act, 1934, Section 19 (1) & (2)—" 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 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.

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."

N.B.—This Certificate is no security whatever for debt. It should be carefully preserved, as it will be of the greatest assistance to you when completing the Pension Warrants, which will be sent to you.

* In the event of the death of the person to whom this Form is addressed, the person who notifies the death to the local Registrar of Deaths should deliver this Form and any other Pension papers held by deceased, to him, and will receive from him the sum of one shilling for so doing.

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(A STAMP IS NOT REQUIRED).

THE SECRETARY,

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE,

PARKGATE STREET,

DUBLIN.



M.S.P. A/cs 5.

NOT TO BE PLACED IN AN ENVELOPE

FOLD ALONG THIS LINE.

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LIFE CERTIFICATE.

NOTICE.—This Certificate is Government Property. It is no security whatever for debt.

No further payment of Pension will be made until (1) the following Declaration has been filled in, and signed, by the person to whom the Pension is to be paid; (2) the Certificate at foot of this form has been signed and attested by one of the persons mentioned on the back of the form; and (3) the completed form has been received in the Department of Defence, Dublin.

(1). To be filled in by the person claiming Pension, or, if that person is unable to write, by someone on his behalf.

Name (in full, Surname first)..... *Hughes, Michael*

Residing at..... *31 Lorcoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo.*

Year of Birth..... *1888*

Number of Award Certificate..... *34/SP/3760.*

Rate of Pension..... *£22-12-9.*

Date of Resignation from National Army Retirement from Defence Forces

Rank on Discharge..... *Platoon Sergeant*

Are you or have you been since the date of your last quarterly Declaration in receipt of any Remuneration, Pension or Allowance payable out of Public Moneys? you are, state the amount; from whom received; and the date from which such sums became payable to you. Where there are no receipts from "Public Moneys," the space below should not be left blank, but the word "none" should be inserted).

None

(2). By "public moneys" is meant any moneys provided by the Oireachtas, or out of the Central Fund, or by mean of the Poor Rate or any other rate imposed by a local authority.—(Sec. 8 (1) M.S. Pen. Act, 1924) (Sec. 20 (1) M.S. Pen. Act, 1934.)

(3). To be signed by the person making the declaration (in the presence of the person who attests the Certificate hereunder). If he is unable to write he must affix his mark thus "X." and this act must be witnessed.

I hereby declare that I am the person named in (1) above; and that I am entitled to the Pension Specified, I having been notified that such Pension has been granted to me by the Minister for Defence. I further declare that all the statements I have made above are true and correct.

Signature (in full)..... *Michael Hughes* Date..... *26/11/40*

Full Postal Address..... *31 Lorcoran Terrace, Ballina, Co. Mayo.*

CERTIFICATE.

This Certificate must be attested by one of the persons mentioned on the back of this form.

I hereby certify that I have seen the person who signed the above Declaration, alive on the date stated against my name; that he was in possession of the Award Certificate bearing the number entered in (1) above; that he signed the above Declaration in my presence; and that he appears to be the person to whom the sums mentioned above are payable.

I further certify that the particulars entered by the Pensioner in (1) and (2) above, are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct.

Signature..... *John Fenner* Date..... *26/11/40*

Rank or Profession..... *Commissioner of Works*

Full Postal Address..... *Ballina, Co. Mayo*

Extract from Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, Section 7 (1), and Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, Section 19 (1).

NOTE.—(a) "If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or payment of a pension under this Act makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written statement knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this section, and shall be liable, on summary conviction thereof to a fine of 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."

Extract from Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, Section 7 (2), and Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, Section 19 (2).

(b) "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."

**THE PERSONS BEFORE WHOM THE DECLARATION OF PENSIONERS
MAY BE SUBSCRIBED ARE AS BELOW. THE QUALIFICATION WHICH
ENTITLES THEM TO ATTEST SHOULD BE STATED FULLY ON THE
FORM OF ATTESTATION.**

(1) In Éire (Ireland.)

Officers appointed to examine vouchers for non-effective payments in the offices of the Minister for Finance, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, and the Minister for Defence.

Postmasters and Postmistresses actually in charge of Post Office.

(The name of the Post Office is to be given on the form of attestation).

Head Teachers of National and Secondary Schools. (The name of the School is to be given on the form of attestation).

Secretaries of Friendly Societies registered under the Friendly Societies Acts.

District Justices and Peace Commissioners.

Any of the persons mentioned in paragraph (2) below.

(2) In the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Magistrates.

Commissioners for Oaths.

Ministers of religion habitually officiating at a place of worship within 10 miles of the place where the pensioner resides for the time being. (The denomination and the address of the place of worship to be given).

Physicians or Surgeons registered as such under the law of the country and regularly practising within 10 miles of the place where the pensioner resides for the time being.

Managers, Secretaries, Chief Cashiers, and Accountants of Banks registered under the law of the country, and other officials of such Banks who are authorised by their Banks to sign documents on their behalf, and officials of such Banks for the time being in charge of Branch Banks. (The qualification of the official and the name of the Bank or Branch Bank are to be given on the form of attestation).

Actuaries and Secretaries of Savings Banks registered under Act of Parliament.

Police Officers in actual charge of the nearest Police Station to the place where the pensioner resides for the time being.

(3) In other Countries.

Irish or British Diplomatic or Consular Officers empowered by law to administer oaths.

Notaries Public and other persons competent by the law of the country to administer such declarations. (The law must be quoted sufficiently for verification).

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A.P. A/cs. 20.

AN ROINN COSANTA,

(Dept. of Defence)

GEATA NA PAIRCE,

(Parkgate)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.

(Dublin.)

Ref. No. 34/SP/3760.

E 4788.

28 November, 1940.

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACTS.

A CHARA,

In connection with the payment of the pension awarded to you under the above Acts, I am directed by the Minister for Defence to request that you will please furnish me hereunder with a specimen of your signature duly witnessed by one of the persons set out on the back hereof.

Mise, le meas,

Pádraig MacArdáin

Rúnaidhe.

Mr. Michael Hughes,

31, Corcoran Terrace,

Ballina, Co. Mayo.

[Not to be detached.]

Usual Signature of Pensioner...

Address 31 Corcoran Terrace,

Ballina,

Co. Mayo

Name of Witness

John Farver

Qualification

Commissioned Officer

Address

Ballina Co. Mayo

Date

26th Nov 1940

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THE PERSONS WHO MAY WITNESS THE SIGNATURES OF PENSIONERS ARE AS BELOW. THE QUALIFICATION WHICH ENTITLES THEM TO WITNESS SHOULD BE STATED FULLY ON THE FORM OVERLEAF.

1—In Eire (Ireland).

OFFICERS appointed to examine vouchers for non-effective payments in the offices of the Minister for Finance, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs and the Minister for Defence.

POSTMASTERS and POSTMISTRESSES actually in charge of Post Offices. (The name of the Post Office is to be given on the form of attestation).

HEAD TEACHERS of NATIONAL and SECONDARY SCHOOLS. (The name of the School is to be given on the form of attestation).

SECRETARIES of Friendly Societies registered under the Friendly Societies Acts.

DISTRICT JUSTICES and PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

Any of the persons mentioned in paragraph 2 below.

2—In the British Empire.

MAGISTRATES.

COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.

MINISTERS OF RELIGION habitually officiating at a place of worship within 10 miles of the place where the pensioner resides for the time being. (The denomination and the address of the place of worship to be given).

PHYSICIANS or _____ under the law of the country and regularly pract _____ ce where the pensioner resides for the time being.

ACTUARIES and SECRETARIES of Savings Banks registered under Act of Parliament.

POLICE OFFICERS in actual charge of the nearest Police Station to the place where the pensioner resides for the time being.

3—In Foreign Countries.

DIPLOMATIC or CONSULAR OFFICERS of EIRE or BRITAIN empowered by law to administer oaths.

NOTARIES PUBLIC and other persons competent by law of the country to administer such declarations. (The law must be quoted sufficiently for verification).

51 JUN 1965

31 Borcoran Lee

Ballina, Co. Mayo

27/5/65

(1) 1916 Medal

(2) Emergency "

A Caps.

May I trouble you at
this late hour, if I may say so,
of sending me any forms necessary
to obtain two medals - 1916 and
1939-45. I was sworn in by the
late Comdt John Hoban in the
Rooney Hall, Tucker St.,

Castlebar, on Easter Monday
night and for the remainder of
that week we slept every night
in that Hall with our rifles and
ammo at the ready, but

(2)

unfortunately the despatch
bec. it was captured at Mullingar
that was to bring us the word to
fight. The rest is another sad
story, so much for that.

Shortly after war broke out
in 1939, I with four or five
others used to attend the local
Garda barracks where we were
instructed by a local sergt.

In a short time the numbers
began to grow and eventually
the S. S. F. was formed. That
went on for some time. Then things
began to take a more serious turn.

The L. D. F. was then formed.

(3)

I threw in my lot with the
L.S. 7. and remained until after
the war when I was no longer
required. I handed in my rifle and
400 rounds of ammo. to the local
Sergt. I must state here and now
that there was a very bad account
kept of all materials, etc. Enough
said. We were to get our medals
some time afterwards but a
dispute arose between the local
brass hats and the Dept. of
Defence as to the design of the
medals, etc. So I put it off
ever since about my medal.

Yr mype Michael Hughes

N.B. - I have a Black & Tan medal
and was wounded at Kilmenna Ambush
half way between Westport and Onewhorst.

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15 Meitheamh, 1965.

A Chara,

With reference to your letter of the 27th ultimo regarding your application for a 1916 Medal, I am directed by An tAire Cosanta to state that this Medal is issuable to:-

- (a) persons who were awarded certificates of Military service or service certificates under the Military Service Pensions Acts, 1924 or 1934, entitling them to pensions in respect of the Easter Week period;
- (b) persons not in possession of such certificates under the Military Service Pensions Acts who satisfy An tAire that their service was such as would have merited the award of a pension in respect of the Easter Week period had they made application under the Acts.

As you were not awarded pensionable service in respect of the period of Easter Week you are not eligible for the award of the 1916 Medal.

A form on which to apply for the Emergency Service Medal is enclosed herewith.

Mise, le meas,

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→ form ESM/20 AS/EM issued
to applicant, noted thanks.
Jenny 16/6/65
of RJNAI.

Mr. Michael Hughes,
31 Corcoran Terrace,
Ballina,
Co. Mayo.

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Ref 39-4788

11-209

Michael Hughes deceased (for Death Grant) (8235) 30/9/76.

1. ✓ Requisition File
2. ✓ Notate Kardex
3. ✓ Notify E.D.P. section
4. ✓ Enter death or cessation in Note Book
5. ✓ Calculate balance (below) and issue appropriate pro forma
6. Notify death of special allowance holder to A3A
7. Notify death of Military Service Pensioner and/or special allowance holder to A3V
8. ✓ Notify Inspector of Taxes P45 18/10/76
9. ~~P45 Supplement~~
10. ✓ Date of Death 30/9/76
11. ✓ Rate per month £ 17.84
12. ✓ Paid to 31/8/76
13. ✓ Due
14. ✓ Tax Free Allowance (A/B) No amt. received in the Dept
15. ✓ Taxable Income nil
16. ✓ Tax Due nil
17. Net Amount Payable

Rate for annum £ 214.08

Rate for month £ 17.84

Balance due from 1/9/76 to 20/9/76 £ 17.84 ✓

Balance of dis. pension £ 104.51 ✓

Funeral grant £ 50.00 ✓

nil 20/10/76 £ 172.35 ✓

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File No. 34/SP/3760

A/C No. 39/4788

Name Michael Hughes

Address Kelis Cross,

Kathracreehan,

Ballyna, L. Mayo

Date of Death 30/9/76

E.D.P.

Please note and arrange to cancel payment

Date 18/10/76 *nc*

A.3.

Noted and arrangements made accordingly.

A5/E.D.P.

Date *back*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

A.P. A/cs 32

This Warrant is exempt from Stamp Duty

I, THE UNDERNAMED, TO WHOM AN AWARD HAS BEEN MADE UNDER THE **MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACTS**
AFFIX MY SIGNATURE IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE RECEIPT FROM THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE OF THE NET SUM SHOWN BELOW FOR THE
PERIOD ENDED **30 SEPTEMBER 1976**

39 4788 0 1 9 76

GROSS	DEDUCTIONS		
	INCOME TAX	Code	SEE OVERLEAF
£ 17.84	£		£
NET SUM	£ ***17.84	00	
	POUNDS	8	

Received

MR MICHAEL HUGHES
 REHINS CROSS
 RATHNACUVEEN
 BALLINA
 CO MAYO
 39 4788 0 1 9 76

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NET SUM
 £
 £17.84

SIGNATURE OF PAYEE.....

NOTICE TO BANKERS. THIS AMOUNT MAY BE CLAIMED THROUGH ANY BANK, BUT THE WARRANT MUST BE PRESENTED BY A DUBLIN BANKER FOR PAYMENT AT THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE, DUBLIN, IRELAND. THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY ADVANCE OF MONEY MADE AGAINST THE WARRANT IN ANTICIPATION OF ITS ACCEPTANCE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

A.P. A/cs 32

This Warrant is exempt from Stamp Duty

I, THE UNDERNAMED, TO WHOM AN AWARD HAS BEEN MADE UNDER THE MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACTS
AFFIX MY SIGNATURE IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE RECEIPT FROM THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE OF THE NET SUM SHOWN BELOW FOR THE
PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1976

39 4788 0 1 10 76

GROSS	DEDUCTIONS	
	INCOME TAX	SEE OVERLEAF
£ 17.84	£	£
NET SUM	£ ***17.84	Code
	POUNDS	∞

MR MICHAEL HUGHES
REHINS CROSS
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39 4788 0 1 10 76

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NET SUM
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Registry

Please note death and pass file to A3V

~~A3V~~

noted reg @

16/11/76

~~Please note death and pass file to A3A.~~

A3A

AA FILE

Please note death and ~~return file to this section.~~

nc

A3B

@ 12/11/76 11/12/76

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L/F/302

March 1977

Príomh Aturnas Stáit
Gaisleán Atha Cliath

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that Mr. Michael Hughes, Rehins Cross, Rathnacorney, Ballina, Co. Mayo was in receipt of (a) a final award of wound pension under Section 3 of the Army Pensions Act 1923 as amended and (b) a further pension as a married man under the same Section from 1955. Mr. Hughes applied in 1974 for a re-opening of his case under the terms of the Army Pensions Act 1973, and he was granted an increased rate of wound pension. His married pension was continued.

Mr. Hughes died on the 30th September, 1976. After the normal formalities had been completed, the balance of pensions and a funeral grant were paid to his daughter Rosaleen on the 9th November, 1976. As his widow was eligible to apply for a dependents allowance under the Army Pensions Acts, an application form to enable her to do so was issued on 9th December 1976. It was returned indicating that the lady had died on 20th October 1972. Mr. Hughes was in the circumstances in receipt of a married pension to which he was not entitled during the period from 21st October, 1972 to 30th September 1976 resulting in an overpayment of £386.59.

Pensioners such as Mr. Hughes are required to complete each year a Pensions Declaration form P.D. 3. The form filled by Mr. Hughes in October 1975 is attached but the forms for 1972, 1973 and 1974 are not available as these forms are not retained beyond one year. It will be noted that Mr. Hughes failed to indicate in the form submitted by him in 1975 that his wife had died. What his P.D. forms for 1972, 1973 and 1974 contained is not known.

The correspondence with the Hughes daughters and other relevant papers are attached.

I am to request you to be good enough to advise as to the appropriate steps which should be taken to secure recovery of the total amount overpaid or failing that such other amount as may be enforceable on the evidence available.

AGHAI

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6 October, 1978.

An Runai,
An Roim Airgeadais.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that he proposes to write off as irrecoverable an overpayment of £386.59 to pensioner Michael Hughes, Rehins Cross, Rathnacorney, Ballina, Co. Mayo, which occurred in the circumstances set out in the attached memorandum.

While, with the benefit of hindsight, it might seem strange that suspicions were not aroused by the absence from the statutory declaration of any reference to a widow the following considerations should be borne in mind:-

- (a) Over 1500 deaths a year fall to be processed in addition to the normal work of the pensions section in paying pensions, and as a consequence the section is under continuous heavy pressure.
- (b) the turnover of staff in the years 1972 - 1975 had been very high with the result that there were many inexperienced officers during that period who would not be fully alert to the conditions governing the payment of married pensions.

While there may have been a certain lack of judgment in the failure to ascertain the true position in regard to the widow before payment of the balance of pensions was issued the Minister, nevertheless, is satisfied, in view of the staffing position in the pensions section at the time, that there was no culpable negligence on the part of any member of the staff involved. The necessary steps have been taken to guard against any recurrence. I am, accordingly, to seek the authority of the Minister for Finance to write-off as irrecoverable the overpayment of £386.59.

P. O. CORORÁIN

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