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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: Abear, Maurice J **DOB:** 1899

Records checked:

Agency: Commerce 6028	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Commerce 6029	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Old Commerce	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

AND

Agency: Treasury 2189	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury 2188	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Old Treasury	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

If Negative:

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 1	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury SRCs series 2	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury SRCs series 3	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Coast Guard SRCs	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

If Negative:

CMRS: possible CG service	Area: _____	positive	negative
ARCIS: _____	Area: _____	positive	negative

Notes: _____

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22 April 1946

Mr. Maurice J. Abear
1407 Marquette
Bay City, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card inquiry of April 15 1946, the civil service register of civilian candidates for assistant keeper in the former Lighthouse Service was discontinued after the consolidation of that Service with the U. S. Coast Guard on 1 July 1939. Since that date light station vacancies have been filled through assignment of enlisted men.

By direction of Commander, 9th Coast Guard District.

Very truly yours,

J. J. HUTSON, Jr.
Commander, USCG
Personnel Officer

APR 24 1946

HMC:wjd

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Bay city Mich.
April 15 - 1946.

U. S. Coast Guard
Cleveland Ohio.

Commander -
Dear Sir :-

I was placed on eligable list in the Light House Service with a Civil Service record of 90-80 war Veteran would you Please advise me as to same.

Thanking you very much I am

Respectfully Yours.

Maurice J. Abear. 1407 Marquette - Bay city Mich





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

United States Coast Guard -
Dept. of Commerce.
Cleveland
Ohio.

ABEAR, Maurice

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
RECD MAR 15 1940
Commander
Cleveland District

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Ohio Status for employment
answer C.C.
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De Tour Mich.
March 14-1940.

United States Coast Guard
Commander. Cleveland Ohio:
Dear Sir:-

I was substituting at Detour Reef Light Station at the close of Navagitation and would like to know if I could be placed in the light service. I am well acquainted with every kind of light and all all kinds of Machanery Radio Beacons and Fog horns I am first class Seaman and also am Physical fit for any Position. I am also a Worlds War Veteran. I would love to be Classed for any light house station in any Dist. and if not so there any employment that could be rendered to me if so Please Consider me as

an applocant for same and at what wages. I have a family of 4 Boys to Please do me a great favor and give me employment.

Thanking you I am

Respectfully Yours.

Maurice Abeal

DeTour

#. 112. Mich.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO.
xxxxxxxxx 2 January, 1940.

District Manager,
Seventh U.S.Civil Service District,
Room 1120 New Post Office Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

Subject: Maurice J. Abear, Temporary employment.

1. Referenceiss made to letter 6 December, 1939 and nomination dated 9 November, 1939 for the temporary employment of Maurice J. Abear as skilled laborer at Detour Reef Light Station, Michigan.

2. Mr. Abear did not enteron duty under this appointment but continued on construction work under Schedule A, Section I, Paragraph 10, Civil Service Rules, and it is therefore requested that the nomination for temporary appointment be canceled.

Respectfully,

By direction:

F. P. DILLON.
Commander, U. S. Coast Guard.
Assistant to the District Commander.

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Honorable Prentiss M. Brown
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

In further reference to your letter of November 3, in the interest of Mr. Meurice J. Abear of DeTour, Michigan, Mr. Abear's employment was in the former Eleventh Lighthouse District as a temporary laborer acting as a substitute keeper owing to the absence of the regular keeper on account of illness.

The Lighthouse Service was transferred to the U. S. Coast Guard, effective July 1, 1939, pursuant to the President's Reorganization Plan, and in order to consolidate the two services it is proposed hereafter to provide for positions of lighthouse keeper by enlistment in the Coast Guard. The fact that Mr. Abear passed a civil service examination for appointment to a position of lighthouse keeper would, therefore, no longer render him eligible for appointment to such a position, and in his position of temporary laborer he did not have a status for induction into the Coast Guard as is the condition in the case of persons holding regular appointments in the position of lighthouse keeper.

The present policy with regard to enlistment in the Coast Guard is to enlist only unmarried men between the ages of 18 and 25 although there are some exceptions in the case of men having prior service in the Coast Guard.

It appears, however, that Mr. Abear does not meet the requirements and that therefore he would not be eligible.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Herbert E. Gaston

HERBERT E. GASTON,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

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COPY TO CLEVELAND DISTRICT

HMC:DG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service, Eleventh District

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REPORT SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE
(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, and forwarded to the Office of the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Detroit, Michigan.)

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Name of employee Maurice J. Abear

Designation Skilled Laborer (approp. Sal Kprs)

Place of employment Detour Reef LH

Compensation $110 per month

Last day served 12/14/-1939

James A. Belanger
(Signature)

1st Asst Keeper
(Official Title)

De Tour Reef Light
(Station)

Date 12/14/1939

Mr A— Platform Att. He retire— not entitled ret— received $50.— & $5.00 per mo. at 10 yrs of S. 12/18/39.

Miss B Cancel & notify Dist Mgr

Done B 1/2/40

Form 205
(Ed. 11-15-28)

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT IN REGISTERED POSITION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Cleveland, Ohio, 1 December, 19 39.
(Place and date)

Employment has been given to Maurice J. Abear

as Skilled Laborer, in connection with work

at Detour Reef LightStation, for a period not to exceed one month ~~the~~ Lighthouse District, at the rate of $110.00 per month

beginning 1 December, 1939, under the civil service regulations for the Lighthouse Service. This contract supersedes all previous contracts of employment or certificates of appointment.

APPROPRIATION: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, Coast Guard.

By direction:

F.P.DILLON,
~~Superintendent of Lighthouses~~
Assistant to the District Commander.

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I accept the above conditions and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Lighthouse Service.

Bentley Dec. 14.

COPY to "ACCOUNTS", Detroit Area

Mrs. Lucy Long

INSTRUCTIONS.—To be prepared in duplicate, one copy to be handed to employee and the other kept on file in the District Office. Whenever the pay of a registered employee is changed, a new contract of employment should be prepared.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1929 11—4360

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

Form 2390-A

APPLICANT OR EMPLOYEE MUST FILL THE FOLLOWING

Name (in full) Maurice Joseph Abear. Sex Male

Present address DeTour Michigan. Date of birth Jan. 11-1899.

To be employed in United States Coast Guard Light House Service.
Bureau Division Section

Give below all places of residence during the past FIVE years

From-- (Month and year)	To-- (Month and year)	Number and Street	City and State
Lived in DeTour for several years.			

Give, in your own handwriting, the information requested below

Have you ever been arrested for any reason whatsoever? no.
If so, give details in space provided below. (Yes or no)

Date of Arrest	Age	Charge	Court and Location	Judge	Disposition

Have you ever been fingerprinted? Yes Where? U.S. Navy.

When? July - 1918. If for the Civil Service, what position?

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the above statements are complete and accurate in every detail.

Maurice J. Abear.
Customary (or payroll) signature.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of December 1939.

Wm. L. McGinn
Notary Public

My commission expires March 30/40

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Cleveland, Ohio.
6 December, 1939.

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Cleveland, Ohio.

District Manager,
Seventh U.S.Civil Service District,
Room 1120 New Post Office Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

Subject: Maurice J. Abear, temporary appointment.

1. Reference is made to nomination dated 9 November, 1939, approved by your office under date of 22 November, 1939, for the temporary appointment of Maurice J. Abear as skilled laborer at Detour Reef Light Station, Michigan.

2. Mr. Abear entered on duty under this appointment effective 1 December, 1939. Previous to that date he was employed on construction work as skilled laborer from 7 October, 1939, under Schedule A, Section I, Paragraph 10, Civil Service Rules, covering which a report is inclosed.

Respectfully,

By direction:

F. P. DILLON,
Assistant to the District Commander.

HMC:B
Inclosure.

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Form 73
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
Approved Sept. 1, 1938

U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
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NOV 10 1939
SEVENTH DISTRICT
CHICAGO, ILL.

NOMINATION

..... LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT Detroit, Michigan. 9 November, 1939.
(City) (Date)

Manager, Seventh U.S. Civil Service District, Chicago, Illinois.
~~COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES~~

Action recommended Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed one month.

Name Maurice J. Abear Date of birth Jan.11,1899 Legal residence Michigan

	From—	To—
Position,		Skilled laborer
Pay and grade		$110 per month
Station		Detour Reef Light Station, Michigan.
Appropriation		Salaries, Keepers of LH, Coast Guard

Effective 10 November, 1939. or date of entrance on duty
[1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty, if~~
~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~

Rank on eligible list ..... Rating ..... Percentage ..... Other eligibles considered:

Vice New position Pay ..... Services terminated .....

Reason .....

REMARKS:[2] As this position is non-appointive it is requestedthat this form be returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Detroit, Michigan, for issuance of a contract of employment under Civil Service Regulations for the Lighthouse Service, 1928.

F.P.DILLON,
Superintendent of Lighthouses
By: DWIGHT A.CHASE, Asst.Supt.

Selection regular, ..., 19.....

Approved and forwarded:

Manager, Civil Service District.

~~Superintendent of Lighthouses~~
Sec'y.Local Bd.of Examiners, LHS

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~~Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,~~
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~~Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.~~

NOV 22 1939
Chicago, Ill.
Approved under Section 4, Rule VIII.
Temporary job from outside register.
Manager,
Seventh U.S. Civil Service District

Cont issued 11/16/39
effective B 12-1-39

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.
[2] In case of vessel officer, state license held.

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Form 73
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
Approved Sept. 1, 1938

NOMINATION

U. S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
NOV 10 1939
CHICAGO, ILL.

Lighthouse District Detroit, Michigan. (City) 9 November, 1939. (Date)

Manager, Seventh U.S. Civil Service District, Chicago, Illinois.

~~Commissioner of Lighthouses.~~

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F.P.UTLEY,
Superintendent of Lighthouses
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~~Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.~~

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[2] In case of vessel officer, state license held.

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Cleveland, Ohio

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1 December, 1939

From: Commander, Cleveland District.
To : Commandant, Washington, D. C.

Subject: Maurice J. Abear, application for enlistment.

Reference: (a) Letter from Senator Prentiss M. Brown, dated 3 Nov., 1939.
(b) Letter from Maurice J. Abear, Detour, Michigan, dated 1 November, 1939.
(c) Copy of letter from Herbert E. Gaston, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to Honorable Prentiss M. Brown, dated 6 November, 1939, transmitted via Headquarters indorsement 6 November, 1939(CP-75), inclosing Reference (a) and (b) for report and return.

Inclosures: 1. References (a) and (b).

1. The keeper of Detour Reef Light Station, Detour, Michigan, having become suddenly ill, the first assistant keeper in charge, was authorized to employ a temporary laborer substitute locally. Mr. Maurice J. Abear was employed on October 7, 1939, without civil service examination, such employment being excepted from examination under the Civil Service Act and Rules, and employee does not thereby acquire a Civil Service status. Mr. Abear held an appointment as Assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service from 1922 to 1925, but was not in the Service on June 30, 1939, so that he is not eligible for enlistment into the Coast Guard as a result of the reorganization act of August 5, 1939 (Public No. 291, 76th Congress), under which certain employees of the former Lighthouse Service became eligible for commission, appointment, or enlistments in the United States Coast Guard.

2. It is noted that Mr. Abear states he passed a Civil Service examination held last year. The records of this examination are not available, as the examination was conducted by the United States Civil Service Commission, and the register of eligibles covering the area of the former 11th Lighthouse District is maintained by the Manager of the 7th Civil Service District, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Abear's former record in the Lighthouse Service was marred by the fact that he voluntarily left the Service without due notice, which was equivalent to desertion, for which he was given notice of dismissal. However, since the Lighthouse keepers and assistant keepers under the United States Coast Guard will not be selected from Civil Service registers, but will

be recruited for general duty, his eligibility for employment will be on the same basis as other persons seeking original enlistment. At the present time the Coast Guard is enlisting only unmarried persons between the ages of 18 and 25. Since Mr. Abear is married and is over the age limit there is apparently no way in which his services can be retained after his present temporary employment is expired.

By direction,

E. ZOOLE,
Chief of Staff.

14 November, 1939.

From: Commander, Cleveland District.
To : Officer in Charge, Detroit Lighthouse Office.

Subject: Enlistment of Maurice J. Abear into the United States Coast Guard.

Reference: (a) Mr. Abear's letter of 1 November, 1939 to Honorable Prentiss M. Brown, U. S. Senate.
(b) Honorable P. M. Brown's letter of 3 November to Herbert E. Gaston, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.
(c) Mr. Gaston's reply of 6 November, 1939, with 1st indorsement to Commander, Cleveland District.
(d) Mr. Abear's letter of 2 November to Commander, Cleveland District.
(e) Cleveland District reply of 7 November, 1939.

Inclosure: 1. Reference (a).
2. Reference (b).
3. Reference (c).
4. Reference (d).
5. Reference (e).

1. Inclosures (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) with reference to Maurice J. Abear are forwarded for immediate consideration and return, c/o Mr. F. P. Dillon, with a memorandum from the records.

(1) Details as to status.
a. Status June 30, 1939.
(2) Did he pass keeper's examination? Rating.
(3) Was he on eligible list?
(4) Was he employed in Lighthouse Service 1922-1925? Give record.

By direction,

F. P. DILLON,
Assistant to the District Commander.

7 November, 1939.

From: Commander, Cleveland District.
To : Maurice J. Abear (via Keeper, Detour Reef Light Station).

Subject: Enlistment into the United States Coast Guard.

Reference: (a) Your letter of 2 November, 1939.

1. Reference (a) is acknowledged, wherein you ask for information pertaining to application for enlistment into the U. S. Coast Guard for duty as a lighthouse keeper. Headquarters has directed that all vacancies in the position of lighthouse keeper in the Coast Guard be filled either by temporary employees or by enlisted men pending the completion of the consolidation of the former Lighthouse Service with the Coast Guard.

2. In order to enter the Coast Guard, it will be necessary that you present yourself for enlistment which would be in the grade of apprentice seaman at $21 per month. Applicants must not be over 25 years of age and must be in perfect physical condition. There is a recruiting office at Detroit which can give you the necessary information in regard to enlistment.

3. In the consolidation a large number of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard will be transferred eventually for duty as lighthouse keepers and it appears from your letter that the only opportunity which you could have to get into Lighthouse Service work now would be by qualifying for enlistment. This office regrets that it cannot give you more encouragement in reply to your letter

H. C. FISHER

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Rec'd 11/7/39 3PM 1952

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

De Tour Reef Light Station.
(Depot, Vessel, or Light Station)

Nov. 2., 1939.

United States Coast Guard.
Office of Commander.
Cleveland Dist.

Gov't. U. S. Fisher.

Dear Sir:

I am substituting Keeper at Detour Reef Light Station. and I am writing you for information pertaining to application or enlistment into the United States Coast Guard Light House service. I was eligable for appointment last year under civil service But that is out now. I wrote Mr: Dillon about that is out now. I wrote Mr: Dillon about information but did not receive any information pertaining to Light service as he said the Light House was turned over to Coast Guard. I am a war Veteran have a family of 5 dependents 4 Boys and my wife. I was working on relief work until I had chance to come here. But do not know what to do after we leave here.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

_____
(Depot, Vessel, or Light Station)

_____, 193

I am familiar with Light House
duties pertaining to Diaphone —
Radio Beacon and other Machinery
am a good Seaman. and very
willing to learn further. I can
furnish good references have a
Good reputation.
Mr. Rev. Theo J Batoski of Detour
advised me to write you for
information and particulars.
Thanking you in advance for
all help and information you can
do for me. I am Respectfully
Yours.

Maurice J. Abear
Detour Reef Light Station.
Detour
Michigan.

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C. C.

Send to
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with papers
received and
your endorsement

Dick

Detroit Office
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FIRST INDORSEMENT

Detroit, Mich.
22 November, 1939.

1. Inclosures 1 to 5 are returned ~~herewith~~ with statement as follows:

(1) Details as to status:

Maurice J. Abear was employed as skilled laborer at Detour Reef Light Station on October 7, 1939, without civil service examination owing to the sudden illness of Keeper John M. Sweet. Such employment is excepted from civil service examination under the Civil Service Act and Rules and the employee does not thereby acquire a civil service status.

(a) Status June 30, 1939:

The records do not show that Mr. Abear was in the Government service on June 30, 1939.

(2)Did he pass keeper's examination:

The last lighthouse keeper examination for this locality was held by the Civil Service District Manager and no information is available as to the names or ratings of the persons who passed the examination.

(3) Was he on eligible list:

In the last previous examination held by the Local Board of Civil Service Examiners of the Eleventh Lighthouse District on July 19, 1935, there was no record that Maurice J. Abear filed application.

(4) Was he employed in the Lighthouse Service 1922-1925?

He was employed in the Lighthouse Service 1922-1925. He was appointed first assistant keeper at Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Michigan on November 6, 1922, for a period not to exceed three months to the close of navigation by selection from the assistant lighthouse keeper civil service examination on which he attained a rating of 80.4. This appointment expired by limitation on December 18, 1922. He was given a probationary appointment on March 26, 1923 as second assistant keeper of Huron Island Light Station. He was dismissed from the Service effective at the close of June 10,1925, on charges that he left the station without submitting a resignation in writing and awaiting action thereon. Inclosed is copy of a letter dated June 23,1925 addressed to Mr. Abear in response to a letter from him in which he requested reinstatement.

H. M. CROSS,
by direction.

COPY

June 23, 1925.

Maurice J. Abear,
Box 37, Detour, Mich.

1. Referring to your letter of June 22, 1925, stating that you resigned from the position of second assistant keeper at Huron Island Light Station and requesting that you be reinstated at some other station preferably Crisp Point or Detour.

2. It is noted that you give sickness as your reason for resigning. This does not agree with the report from the Keeper of Huron Island Light Station who states that you informed him on June 9, that you intended to quit the Service on the following day and that when asked why you did not give a week's notice and send in your resignation, you replied that you were tired of the position and never wanted to come back. As your action constituted a violation of the Regulations formal charges were preferred against you in accordance with copy herewith. The charges were mailed to the Keeper, no other address being available, but you probably did not receive them as the Keeper states that the only statement he received from you relative to your future whereabouts was that you were going out west.

3. Nothing having been heard from you directly except through the Keeper, in defense of your conduct, recommendation was submitted to the authorities at Washington on June 22, 1925, that you be dismissed from the Service effective at the close of June 10, 1925. Unless you can furnish irrefutable evidence showing that you were compelled to leave your station by reason of sickness, the recommendation for your dismissal will stand and you will be notified in due course of the final action. Under the Civil Service Rules you will not be eligible for reinstatement after having been dismissed for cause.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

/s/ I. L. GILL
First Assistant Superintendent

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

CLEVELAND, OHIO

OFFICE OF COMMANDER
CLEVELAND DISTRICT

14 November, 1939.

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From: Commander, Cleveland District.
To : Officer in Charge, Detroit Lighthouse Office.

Subject: Enlistment of Maurice J. Abear into the United States Coast Guard.

Reference:
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Inclosure:
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By direction,

F. P. DILLON,
Assistant to the District Commander.

Detroit Office
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Detroit, Mich.
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Assistant to the District Commander.

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Form 73
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
Approved Sept. 1, 1938

NOMINATION

..... LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT ..... Detroit, Michigan. (City) ..... 9 November (Date), 1939.

Manager, Seventh U.S. Civil Service District, Chicago, Illinois.
~~COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:~~

Action recommended Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed one month.

Name Maurice J. Abear Date of birth Jan.11,1899 Legal residence Michigan

	From—	To—
Position,		Skilled laborer
Pay and grade		$110 per month
Station		Detour Reef Light Station, Michigan.
Appropriation		Salaries, Keepers of LH, Coast Guard
Effective	10 November, 1939.	or date of entrance on duty [1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

Rank on eligible list ..... Rating ..... Percentage ..... Other eligibles considered:

Vice New position Pay ..... Services terminated .....

Reason .....

REMARKS: [2] As this position is non-appointive it is requested that this form be returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Detroit, Michigan, for issuance of a contract of employment under Civil Service Regulations for the Lighthouse Service, 1938.

F.P.[illegible]LDON,
Superintendent of Lighthouses
By: [signature]
DWIGHT A.[illegible], Asst. Supt.

Selection regular, ..., 19.....

Approved and forwarded:

..... *Manager, Civil Service District.*

[signature] *Superintendent of Lighthouses.*
Sec'y. Local Bd. of Examiners, LHS

~~BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON,~~ , 19

~~Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.~~

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.
[2] In case of vessel officer, state license held.

11—2314

OFFICE

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
United States Coast Guard
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

26 October, 1939.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,
Detour Reef Light Station,
Detour, Michigan.
(Through the Keeper)

1. Replying to your inquiry of 20 October, 1939, your temporary employment at Detour Reef Light Station will not give you any eligibility for future employment. Inasmuch as the Lighthouse Service has been consolidated with the United States Coast Guard, permanent vacancies at light stations will be filled by enlisted personnel instead of from Civil Service registers.

F. P. DILLON,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

By:
H. M. CROSS, Chief Clerk.

HMC:AIB

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
RECEIVED
OCT 25 1939
DETROIT
ELEVENTH DISTRICT

Ans 10-26-39 ALS

De Tour Rep. Lt. Sta:
De Tour Mich.
Oct. 20 - 1939.

Supt
Asst
C. C.
Rad&El
Constr
Mech&V

Hydro
Procure
Finance
Stenog

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Superintendent of Light Houses.
Detroit Mich.

Mr: F. P. Dillon.

Dear Sir:-

I am substituting Keeper at Detour Rep. Lt. Sta: and I am writing you for information concerning my eligibility on the List. I was working on W.P.A. emergency relief work until I received the chance to come here. I am also a war veteran I have a family of five dependent on my support.

I am also familiar with Radio beacon and Diaphone. I am also a very good seaman. ambitious and willing to learn.

Any information you could render me will sure be appreciated.

Thanking you in advance I am

Respectively Yours.

Maurice J. Abear.
De Tour
Mich.

HMC:AB
Enclosure.

Charges preferred against
Maurice J.Abear, 2d A.K.,
Huron Island LH.

June 20, 1925.

Charges

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

1. Enclosed herewith is copy of letter of charges dated June 13, 1925, preferred against Maurice J.Abear, Keeper (2d Asst.) at Huron Island Light Station, Mich. There is also enclosed letter dated June 15, 1925, from the Keeper in which he states that Mr. Abear left the station and that his present address is unknown.

2. Inasmuch as Mr. Abear did not submit his resignation in writing and await action thereon before leaving the station, his conduct is equivalent to desertion, and it is recommended that he be dismissed from the Service effective at the close of June 10, 1925.

3. The action recommended , if approved, will not be in violation of Sec. 2, Civil Service Rule I, relative to political or religious opinions or affiliations. Mr. Abear has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

4. Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Mailed to Bureau
from Loo - 6/22-25

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RECEIVED
JUL 9 1925
Detroit
SEVENTH DISTRICT

1925 JUL 6 AM 11 00
LIGHTHOUSES

June 29, 1925.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In view of the fact that you left your station without submitting a resignation in writing and awaiting action thereon, which conduct is equivalent to desertion, the Department has dismissed you from the position of Keeper at Huron Island Light Station, Michigan, at $1320 per annum, effective at the close of business on June 10, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

P:K

JUL 7 - 1925

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 11th Supt

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

COPY

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

Huron Island Light Sta.
(Depot, Vessel, or Light Station)

June 15, 1925.

U. S. LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
RECEIVED
JUN 18 1925
ELEVENTH DISTRICT

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Sir

Your letter in regards of Maurice Abear second assistant quiting the Service I ask him why he was quiting and he said am just tired of it I said why dont you give them a weeks notice and send your resignation in so if you ever want to get back you could and he said he never wanted to come back I do not know where he went said he was going out west. Said he came near quiting last spring befcr we came out here.

Sir:

I did not ask Mr.Shearer what he wanted to look after the Huron Bay Beacon but think he will want more now as he has about one mile and a half to walk twice aday,

Keeper Huron Island Light

HMC:AB

Charges.

June 13, 1925.

Maurice J. Abear,
2d Assistant Keeper,
Huron Island Light Station.
(Through the Keeper)

1. The Keeper of Huron Island Light Station, Michigan reports under date of June 9, 1925, that you expressed your intention to quit the Service on June 10.

2. Paragraph 46 of Instructions to Employees, 1915, states that any person who leaves the Service without due notice or offers his resignation and leaves the Service without action thereon on such short notice as to cause embarrassment to the Service shall be recommended for dismissal unless he can give satisfactory reasons for his action. Your action in leaving the Service without due notice in advance at a time when the prevalence of fog requires that all keepers at the station be on duty, has resulted in embarrassment to the Service. You are therefore charged with violation of the paragraph of the Instructions above referred to and you will be given three (3) days in which to submit reply in writing stating reasons, if any, why you should not be dismissed from the Service. It is desired that your reply be expressed in temperate language, free from counter charges and relate specifically to the matters referred to herein.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

D L B.

First Asst. Superintendent.

HMC:AB

June 13, 1925.

Keeper, Huron Island Light Station,
Skanee, Michigan.

1. Referring to letter of June 9, relative to temporary lantern for Huron Bay Light:

2. It is not considered necessary that you change lanterns at this time as the one now in commission apparently serves the purpose.

3. In regard to Maurice Abear, SecondAssistant Keeper, who you state quit the Service on June 10, it is not understood why Mr. Abear should have left the Service without submitting his re gnation and awaiting action thereon, as such conduct is equivalent to desertion and will result in dismissal from the Service. If Mr. Abear did actually leave on June 10,you are instructed to forward the enclosed letter of charges to him, at the same time furnish the office a complete statement relative to the circumstances under which he left the station. If Mr. Abear submitted a resignation forward same and also advise whether it is essential that another assistant be assigned to duty immediately.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

L.L.S.

First Assistant Superintendent.

Chgs O.K. if as appears.
Send me his reply with
recommendation for action.
CMP

Noted
Rule 6/18

Copy to change of Asst. keeper

De Tour Mich:
June 22, 1925.

U.S. LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
RECEIVED
JUN 23 1925
DETROIT

Supt. of Light Houses.
11th Dist.
Detroit Mich.

Dear Sir:-

Owing to sickness I resigned threw the keeper at Huron Island Light Station And now I Ask please to be placed on roll for Asst: keeper at some other desirable station Such as Crisp Point or De Tour Light in case of a Vacancy Trusting to be accepted as an employe I remain yours truly.

M. J. Abear.

De Tour
Mich:

#37

HMC:AB

Enclosure.

June 23, 1925.

Maurice J. Abear,
Box 37,
Detour, Mich.

1. Referring to your letter of June 22, 1925, stating that you resigned from the position of second assistant Keeper at Huron Island Light Station and requesting that you be reinstated at some other station preferably Crisp Point or Detour:

2. It is noted that you give sickness as your reason for resigning. This does not agree with the report from the Keeper of Huron Island Light Station who states that you informed him on June 9, that you intended to quit the Service on the following day and that when asked why you did not give a week's notice and send in your resignation, you replied that you were tired of the position and never wanted to come back. As your action constituted a violation of the Regulations formal charges were preferred against you in accordance with copy herewith. The charges were mailed to the Keeper, no other address being available, but you probably did not receive them as the Keeper states that the only statement he received from you relative to your future whereabouts was that you were going out west.

3. Nothing having been heard from you directly except through the Keeper, in defense of your conduct, recommendation was submitted to the authorities at Washington on June 22, 1925, that you be dismissed from the Service effective at the close of June 10, 1925. Unless you can furnish irrefutable evidence showing that you were compelled to leave your station by reason of sickness, the recommendation for your dismissal will stand and you will be notified in due course of the final action. Under the Civil Service Rules you will not be eligible for reinstatement after having been dismissed for cause.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

I. L. S.

First Asst. Superintendent.

Copy to Keeper, Huron Island LH, for his information. Endeavor is being made to fill the position from the eligible list and you will be notified as soon as appointment is made.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

U.S. LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
RECEIVED
FEB 7 1925
DETROIT
TWELFTH DISTRICT

January 31, 1925.

1925 FEB 7 PM 3 27

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Sir:

In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper
Salary: $1320 √
Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

11th

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES ELEVENTH DISTRICT RECEIVED MAR 5 1923 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

March 12, 1923.

LIGHTHOUSES

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1923 MAR 12 PM 4 24

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. ____) issued by the Secretary, Seventh Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

11th
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(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: John F. Soldenski.

Legal Residence: Michigan.

(See reverse side.)

11—5080

Original

Nom

11th

Detroit, Mich., March 6, 1923.

Ent
AB

Probationary appointment

Maurice J. Abear — Michigan.

Keeper (2d Asst.) — $720 per annum

Hubon Island Light Station, Mich. — Sal. Kprs. of L.H.

March 26, 1923. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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No. 2 (Asst. (Kpr. 80.4

Samuel H. Muschell, "D"
Mathew M. Kraemer, "C".

John F. Soldenski, March 1, 1923.

Promoted

Father.

Date of birth: January 12, 1899.
No quarters provided for family of Keeper.
Mr. Abear served under temporary appointment in this district, as Assistant Keeper at Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, October 28, to December 18, 1922.

EDWARD L. WOODRUFF,

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, signed by the proper official and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce.)

Name of employee Maurice J. Abear,

Designation Keeper (Assistant) *Compensation* $660 p.a.

Place of employment Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Mich.

Last day served December 18, 1922.

EDWARD L. WOODRUFF.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

(*Official title.*)

Date December 22, 1922.

(*Bureau or service.*)

11—2876

Form A-8

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 28, 1922.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

1922 OCT 30 AM 8 21

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Six Hundred and Sixty dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

Your appointment will continue for a period not to exceed three months.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

G
11th

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: William S. Hall.

Legal Residence: Michigan.

11—3002

Nom

11th

Detroit, Mich. October 24, 1922.

Temporary appointment to close of Navigation, 1922. Not to exceed 3 months.

Maurice J. Abear, Michigan

Keeper (assistant) $660 per annum (base)

Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Mich. Sal. Kprs. of L.H.

October 28, 1922. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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No. 1 Asst. Kpr. 80.4

Ent AB

William S. Hall. / about October 24, 1922.

Recommended for temporary promotion, to position of Keeper

1 (Father)

Mr. Abear's appointment is recommended to the close of navigation only, as it is the intention not to make permanent appointment to the position of Keeper at this time, until selection is made for the promotion or transfer of an employe already in the Service. ~~Salary recommended is the same as the base pay of the assistant Keeper.~~

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

First Assistant Superintendent.

Form 124 b—Field.
Mar., 1920

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Light House Service.
(Branch of service or department.)

Huron Island Mich.
(Name of city.) (State.)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
ELEVENTH DISTRICT
RECEIVED
MAY 14 1923
CLEVELAND, OHIO

DECLARATION OF APPOINTEE.

This form must be executed by the appointee before he enters on duty. ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO THE PROVISIONS OF LAW AS QUOTED ON ATTACHED FORM. False personation in an examination is a criminal offense, and will be prosecuted accordingly. Appointee will retain attached form.

1. State where you were born and date De Tour, Mich. January 11th 1899.
2. What examination did you take? Physicial.
3. Give place and date of examination De Tour, Mich. Aug. 23, 1922.
4. To what position have you been offered appointment or actually appointed? Huron Island Light.
5. Are any members of your family or relatives (either blood or by marriage) in the U. S. Government Service? Answer "yes" or "no" Yes. If so, fill in the following blanks. If additional space is necessary use back of this sheet.

Name.	Post-office address. (Give street No., if any.)	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Nelson Abear.	De Tour Mich.	Position Light House Service Department or office De Tour Mich.	Father.	Married.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

6. Have any of the above-named persons entered the Government service since the execution of your application for examination? No. If so, give the name of each such person

7. What is your present address (including street and number, city, and State)? De Tour Mich. #112.
8. How long have you resided at your present address? All my Life.

I hereby certify that the answers to the foregoing questions are true in every particular.

Maurice J. Abear.
(Signature.)

The officer before whom the above certificate is made is requested to sign the following:

If the answer to question 5 includes two or more names, and is not IDENTICAL in every respect with answer to similar question in the application, this form must be submitted for approval before appointment is made.

The above certificate was executed before me, in his own handwriting, by the identical person who has reported for assignment to duty.

Was photograph of appointee furnished you? ..... If so, is it a correct likeness of the person who executed this form? .....

Michael J. Nolan
(Signature.)

Keeper.
(Official title.)

This is to be signed by an officer of the department or bureau to which the appointee belongs, not by a notary public, and does not need to be sworn to.

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(This paper should be returned to the District Secretary when completed.)

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
DETROIT, MICH.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1925 JUN 24 AM 11 59 LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT 11TH DISTRICT
DETROIT, MICH.

HMC:AB
Enclosure.

Received

June 20, 1925.

Charges preferred against
Maurice J.Abear, 2d A.K.,
Huron Island LH.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

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3. The action recommended , if approved, will not be in violation of Sec. 2, Civil Service Rule I, relative to political or religious opinions or affiliations. Mr. Abear has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

4. Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

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RG-EK
Enclosure

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
June 26, 1925.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval as per paragraph two. Keeper Abear's present pay is $1320 per annum.

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
DETROIT, MICH.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

HMC:AB
Enclosure.

Received
1925 JUN 24 AM 11 59
LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT 11TH DISTRICT
DETROIT, MICH.

June 20, 1925.

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Maurice J.Abear, 2d A.K.,
Huron Island LH.

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4. Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Chas A Park

Chief
Clerk
Insp. Gen.
Mar. Eng.
Personnel
Financial
Law and P.
Admin. Asst.
Insp. Comm.
Opns.

Pay 2 to 5
Jun 30
Dept Regs

Amar Monroe

JR

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
DETROIT, MICH.
HMC:AB

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
1925 JUN 24 AM 11 59

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT 11TH DISTRICT
DETROIT, MICH.

June 13, 1925.

Charges.

Maurice J. Abear,
2d Assistant Keeper,
Huron Island Light Station.
(Through the Keeper)

1. The Keeper of Huron Island Light Station, Michigan reports under date of June 9, 1925, that you expressed your intention to quit the Service on June 10.

2. Paragraph 46 of Instructions to Employees, 1915, states that any person who leaves the Service without due notice or offers his resignation and leaves the Service without action thereon on such short notice as to cause embarrassment to the Service shall be recommended for dismissal unless he can give satisfactory reasons for his action. Your action in leaving the Service without due notice in advance at a time when the prevalence of fog requires that all keepers at the station be on duty, has resulted in embarrassment to the Service. You are therefore charged with violation of the paragraph of the Instructions above referred to and you will be given three (3) days in which to submit reply in writing stating reasons, if any, why you should not be dismissed from the Service. It is desired that your reply be expressed in temperate language, free from counter charges and relate specifically to the matters referred to herein.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

L L S.

First Asst. Superintendent.

dated 9-14-40.
Furnished on Form 1700/to Dept.

Maurice J. Abear

Leaving Service without due notice.

By direction of the Commandant,

October 2, 1940.

R. J. Gross,
Chief, Civilian Personnel.

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OCT - 2 1940

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1940.

TO Capt. C. H. Jones

FROM Mr. Ballinger

Subject: Dismissal of Maurice J. Abear

Enclosed herewith is a copy of Civil Service form letter No. 1700 regarding the above subject.

It is requested that you complete the form and return it to this office for transmittal to the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

E. R. Ballinger,
Director of Personnel.

By [signature]

Maurice J. Abear

Mr. Maurice J. Abear

LEGAL RESIDENCE.
Mich

INACTIVE

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
TEMPORARY (Prob exp 3 mos) Keeper Middle Neebish Cut L.S. Mich	660	L.H.	Nov. 6, 1922.
LAST DAY OF SERVICE		Dec 18. 1922.	
Keeper Prob Huron Isl L.S. Mich	720	L.H.	May 4. 1923
~~" trans Rock of Ages L.S. Mich~~	~~840~~	"	~~Cancelled~~
" Read of Pay "	960	"	JUL 1 1924
Readjustment of pay Act - Dec. 7, 1924 "	1320	"	FEB 1 1925
Dismissed close June 10, 1925			

INACTIVE

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1922 OCT 27 AM 8 39

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 11th DISTRICT,

Detroit, Mich. (City.) October 24, 1922. (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment to close of Navigation, 1922. Not to exceed 3 months.

Name, Maurice J. Abear, Legal residence, Michigan

Position, Keeper (assistant) Salary, $660 per annum (base)

Location, Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Mich. Appropriation, Sal. Kprs. of L.H. 1922

Effective October 28, 1922. { the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OCT 27 1922 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

OCT 27 PM 3 05

Former position, -- Former salary, --

Location, --

Rank on eligible list, No. 1 Rating, Asst. Kpr. Percentage, 80.4, Other eligibles considered:

APPROVED NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN OCT 28 1922 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Previous incumbent, William S. Hall. Services terminated about October 24, 1922.

Reason, Recommended for temporary promotion, to position of Keeper

Members of family in Government Service, 1 (Father)

Remarks: Mr. Abear's appointment is recommended to the close of navigation only, as it is the intention not to make permanent appointment to the position of Keeper at this time, until selection is made for the promotion or transfer of an employe already in the Service. ~~Salary recommended is the same as the base pay of the assistant Keeper.~~ Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission,~~ OCT 25 1922 , 19 Section 4, Rule VIII.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

D. K. Swanson
Secretary, SEVENTH Civil Service District.

Chas A Park
First Assistant Superintendent.

10/28/22. mbear

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 27 1922

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

11—2314

Form A-8

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 28, 1922.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Six Hundred and Sixty dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

Your appointment will continue for a period not to exceed three months.

R. I. REPORT DATA ENTERED
APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 28 1922 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

G
11th

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: William S. Hall.

Legal Residence: Michigan.

11—3002

Form 111

CHIEF CLERK 5

1922 NOV 16 PM 3 40

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 16 1922 APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

1922 NOV 16 AM 8 47

I, Maurice J. Abear

do solemnly [1] swear (See below) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So HELP ME GOD.

☞ Maurice Joseph Abear.
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 8th day of November, A. D. 1922

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Augustus Fantaye

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires Oct. 21, 1923.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper (Asst)	$660 per annum	Middle Neebish Cut Light Station.
Former [5]		

(The above should be filled in by the district officer before sending to appointee)

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 11th District

Detroit, Michigan (Address), NOV 14 1922 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Nov 6 1922 (Date)

CARDED

Edw. L. Woodruff
Superintendent of Lighthouses
(Signature, followed by title)

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time on or after the effective date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.
[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

11—944

Form SS-73

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 16 1922 APPOINTMENT

RECEIVED NOV 9 - 1922 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

1922 NOV 16 PM 3 40

1922 NOV 16 AM 8 47

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

This form shall be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty.

The information called for in Part I shall be filled in by the Bureau or Office to which the employee is assigned, after which the form shall be transmitted to the employee for answers to the questions in Part II. The completed form shall be indorsed by the proper Bureau officer and forwarded to the Department for file.

PART I.

1. Name of employee Maurice J. Abear

2. Position to which appointed Keeper (assistant)

3. Bureau or Service Lighthouse Service, District 11th

4. Place of duty Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Michigan
(City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary $660 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses,

7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ———, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known).

Assistant Keeper Examination, August 23, 1922.

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, if unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.

1. What is your full name? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs., and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: "Mr. John Richard Roe." If name itself is merely a letter, so state.)

Maurice Joseph Abear

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)

M. J. Abear

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3. What is your present legal residence? (Give State or Territory, county, city or town, and Congressional district.)

Michigan, Chippewa, DeTour, 11th.
(State or Territory.) (County.) (City or town.) (Congressional district.)

4. If the legal residence given in answer to question 3 is not the same as that stated in the certificate of appointment, the difference should be explained.

5. What is your race? (Answer "white," "colored," or "Mongolian.") White.

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6. Where were you born? De Tour Michigan.

7. When were you born? January (Month.) 11th (Day.) 1899. (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out

9. What is your marital condition? (Answer "single," "married," "widowed," or "divorced.") Single.

10. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Nelson Abear (Name.) (Number and street.)

De Tour (City or town.) Mich. (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Nelson Abear	De Tour Mich.	Position Asst. Keeper. Department or office Light House	Father	married.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

12. Have you any physical disabilities? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, describe fully. (If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

13. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.

14. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (Answer "yes" or "no.") yes If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
United States Naval Reserve.	July 2, 1918.	(Released Jan 23, 1918. Discharged Aug 22, 1920.	Honorable. Reason

15. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

16. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Substituted at De Tour Light. 3 months.					

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17. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service.	Relationship to you.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

A fisherman on small vessels.

19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

High School education. (eleven grades)

20. What special qualifications have you—educational, professional, technical, mechanical, etc.? (Examples: Qualified as "Lawyer," or "Civil engineer," or "Translator," or "Interpreter," or "Stenographer," or "Draftsman," or "Carpenter.")

Gas engine mechanic.

21. What, if any, civil-service examinations have you passed? (Give names and dates as near as you recollect.)

Only Present one found on Application Blank.

22. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (Answer "yes" or "no.") yes If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.

Date, ..., 19....

Witness (in case signature is by mark): .....

(Signature) Maurice Joseph Abear.

(Present address) Homestead
(Number and street.)

.....
(City or town.)

Michigan
(State or Territory.)

INDORSEMENT.

(If appointee is to be employed in the field, this form should be reviewed and approved by the proper field officer and need not be signed by an official of the Bureau. If appointee is to serve in the District of Columbia, the form should be reviewed and approved by the proper Bureau officer. When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded NOV 14 1922, 19....

(Signature) Edw. T. Woodruff

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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CHIEF CLERK

MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

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(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, signed by the proper official and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce.)

Name of employee Maurice J. Abear,

Designation Keeper (Assistant) *Compensation* $660 p.a.

Place of employment Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Mich.

Last day served December 18, 1922.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 26 1922 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Edw. R. Woodruff

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

(Official title.)

Date December 22, 1922.

(Bureau or service.)

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 11th DISTRICT

Detroit, Mich., March 6, 1923
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, Maurice J. Abear (Out

Legal residence, Michigan.

Position, Keeper (2d Asst.)

Salary, $720 per annum

Location, Huron Island Light Station, Mich.

Appropriation, Sal. Kprs. of L.H.

Effective March 26, 1923. {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, -

Former salary, -

Location, -

Rank on eligible list, No. 2 Rating, (Asst. Kpr. Percentage, 80.4 , Other eligibles considered:

Samuel H. Muschell, "D" Harry W. Moran, 81.2 Prf. "C".
Mathew M. Kraemer, "C".

Previous incumbent, John F. Soldenski, Services terminated, March 1, 1923.

Reason, Promoted

Members of family in Government Service, Father.
Date of birth: January 12, 1899.
Remarks: No quarters provided for family of Keeper.
Mr. Abear served under temporary appointment in this district, as (Assistant) Keeper at Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, (October 28,) to December 18, 1922.

Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission,~~ MAR 8 - 1923 , 19

3/12/23.

Secretary, SEVENTH Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAR 10 1923

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

March 12, 1923.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. ____) issued by the Secretary, Seventh Civil Service District.

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By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAR 12 1923 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: John F. Soldenski.

Legal Residence: Michigan.

RECEIVED MAR 13 1923 DISTRICT

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(See reverse side.)

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES ELEVENTH DISTRICT RECEIVED MAY 14 1923 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAY 17 1923 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

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I, Maurice J. Abear,

do solemnly [1] swear (See below) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So HELP ME GOD.

☞ Maurice J. Abear
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 18th day of April, A. D. 1923

(Affix official seal here)

NOTARY PUBLIC

[4] (Name) Wm. S. McGuire

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires April 13th 24

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper (2d Asst.)	$720 per an.	Huron Island Light Station, Mich.
Former [5] Keeper (Asst.Temp)	660 " "	Middle Neebish Cut Light Station, Mich.

(The above should be filled in by the district officer before sending to appointee)

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 11th District

Detroit, Michigan (Address), MAY 14 1923 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 4th 1923. (Date)

Edw. L. Woodruff
(Signature, followed by title)
S. uper intendent of Lighthouses.

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time on or after the effective date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.
[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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CARDED REPORT DATE ENTERED

Form SS-73 CHIEF CLERK

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES ELEVENTH DISTRICT RECEIVED MAY 14 1923 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAY 17 1923 APPOINTMENT LIGHTHOUSES

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

This form shall be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty.

The information called for in Part I shall be filled in by the Bureau or Office to which the employee is assigned, after which the form shall be transmitted to the employee for answers to the questions in Part II. The completed form shall be indorsed by the proper Bureau officer and forwarded to the Department for file.

PART I.

1. Name of employee. Maurice J. Abear,

2. Position to which appointed. Keeper (second assistant)

3. Bureau or Service Lighthouse Service, District 11th

4. Place of duty Huron Island Light Station, Mich.
(City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary $720.00 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ———, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known).

Assistant Keeper Examination, August 23, 1922.

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, if unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.

1. What is your full name? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs., and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: "Mr. John Richard Roe." If name itself is merely a letter, so state.)

Mr. Maurice Joseph. Abear.

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)

M. J. Abear.

3. What is your present legal residence? (Give State or Territory, county, city or town, and Congressional district.)

Michigan.	Chippewa	De Tour.	11th.
(State or Territory.)	(County.)	(City or town.)	(Congressional district.)

4. If the legal residence given in answer to question 3 is not the same as that stated in the certificate of appointment, the difference should be explained.

5. What is your race? (Answer "white," "colored," or "Mongolian.") White.

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6. Where were you born? De Tour Michigan.

7. When were you born? January. 11th 1899.
(Month.) (Day.) (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out

9. What is your marital condition? (Answer "single," "married," "widowed," or "divorced.") Single.

10. Give name and address of person whom you would like to have notified in case of accident.

Nelson Abear.
(Name.) (Number and street.)

De Tour Michigan.
(City or town.) (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Nelson Abear.	De Tour Michigan.	Position Asst Keeper Department or office Light House	Father.	married.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

12. Have you any physical disabilities? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, describe fully. (If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

13. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.

14. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Receiving Ship [illegible]	July 2, 1918.	Nov. 20, 1920.	Honorable.

15. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

16. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Civil Service.	Light House.	Tem. asst.	$660.	Aug. 28, 1922	Dec. 18, 1922.

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17. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service.	Relationship to you.

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

Fisherman, Gas Engine Mechanic.

19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

High School Education.

20. What special qualifications have you—educational, professional, technical, mechanical, etc.? (Examples: Qualified as "Lawyer," or "Civil engineer," or "Translator," or "Interpreter," or "Stenographer," or "Draftsman," or "Carpenter.")

Mechanical.

21. What, if any, civil-service examinations have you passed? (Give names and dates as near as you recollect.)

Assistant Lightkeeper, August 23, 1922.

22. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (Answer "yes" or "no.") Yes. If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.

Date, Mar. 13, 1923.

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Maurice Joseph Ahern.

(Present address) De Tour (Number and street.)

De Tour, (City or town.) Michigan. (State or Territory.)

INDORSEMENT.

(If appointee is to be employed in the field, this form should be reviewed and approved by the proper field officer and need not be signed by an official of the Bureau. If appointee is to serve in the District of Columbia, the form should be reviewed and approved by the proper Bureau officer. When forwarding this form, no letter of transmittal is required.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded MAY 4 1923, 1923.

(Signature) Chas. L. Woodruff

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses, 9th Dist.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES 1924 MAY 29 AM 8 45

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 11th DISTRICT.

Detroit, Mich., May 23, 1924. (City.) (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer

Name, Maurice J. Abear, Legal residence, Michigan.

Position, Keeper (2d Asst.) Salary, $840 per annum, base.

Location, Rock of Ages Light Station, Mich. Appropriation, Sal. Kprs. of L.H.

Effective June 2, 1924. {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUN 2 1924 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Former position, Keeper, (2d Asst.) Former salary, $720. p.a., base.

Location, Huron Island Light Station, Mich.

Rank on eligible list, Rating, Percentage, , Other eligibles considered:

Previous incumbent, Thomas J. Eckel, Services terminated, about May 31, 1924.

Reason, Transferred.

Members of family in Government Service,

Remarks:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN JUN 2 - 1924 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19

6/2/24.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAY 29 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

H. B. Bowerman

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON June 2, 1924.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 720 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective June 2, 1924, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

Cancelled

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

JUN - 2 1924

EDW. J. GARDNER,
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUN 3 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
1924 JUN 12 AM 9 09

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON June 2, 1924.

Mr. Maurice J. Abear,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 720 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective June 2, 1924, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

Cancelled

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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Letter dated 6/2/24,
recommending cancelation,
in file of Thomas J Eckel

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Ubert, Maurice J In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $ 960, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 3 0 1924 File No. 1095/21.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

M
r. Maurice J. Abear,
Through the
Commissioner of Lighthouses,

Sir:

In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully, J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 7 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Position: Keeper

Salary: $1320

Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

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CARDED FEB 7 1925

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
DETROIT, MICH.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
1925 JUN 24 AM 11 59
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUL 1 1925
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT 11TH DISTRICT
DETROIT, MICH.
CHIEF CLERK
1925 JUN 29 AM 10 21

HMC:AB
Enclosure.

June 20, 1925.

Charges preferred against
Maurice J.Abear, 2d A.K.,
Huron Island LH:

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

1. Enclosed herewith is copy of letter of charges dated June 13, 1925, preferred against Maurice J.Abear Keeper (2d Asst.) at Huron Island Light Station, Mich. There is also enclosed letter dated June 15, 1925, from the Keeper in which he states that Mr. Abear left the station and that his present address is unknown.

2. Inasmuch as Mr. Abear did not submit his resignation in writing and await action thereon before leaving the station, his conduct is equivalent to desertion, and it is recommended that he be dismissed from the Service effective at the close of June 10, 1925.

APPOINTMENT NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
JUL - 2 1925
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

3. The action recommended, if approved, will not be in violation of Sec. 2, Civil Service Rule I, relative to political or religious opinions or affiliations. Mr. Abear has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

4. Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Chas A Park

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Inclosure

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
June 26, 1925.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval as per paragraph two. Keeper Abear's present pay is $1320 per annum.

H C Putnam

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

6-29-25 APPROVED:

ACTING SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES 1925 JUN 24 AM 11 59

U. S. LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE RECEIVED JUN 18 1925 DETROIT ELEVENTH DISTRICT

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

Light House.
(Depot, Vessel, or Light Station)

June 15, 1925.

Superintendent of Light Houses.

Sir

Your letter in regards of Mann Ahear second assistant quiting the Servic I ask him why he was quiting and he said am just tired of it I said why dont you giv them a week notice and send your resignation in so if you ever want to get back you could and he said he never wanted to come back I do not know where he went said he was going out West. Said he came near quiting last spring be for we came out here.

Sir. I did not ask Mr Shearer what he wanted to look after the Huron Bay Beacon but think he will want more now as he has about one mile and a half to walk twice aday.

Keeper Huron Island Light.

June 29, 1925.

Mr. Maurice J. Abeay,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In view of the fact that you left your station without submitting a resignation in writing and awaiting action thereon, which conduct is equivalent to desertion, the Department has dismissed you from the position of Keeper at Huron Island Light Station, Michigan, at $1320 per annum, effective at the close of business on June 10, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED

EDW. J. GARDNER

JUL 2 -1925

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 6 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D #1

NAME Abear, Maurice J. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 11th Dist.

CIRCULAR #11----9/15/23

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Amt. per annum to be Subtracted
720	240	960	CR	164.25	1124.25	LHS	3	1260	Approved		

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23

GRADE RECOMMENDED 5

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1260 TO $1560

5 $1260

CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1
(Filled out in accordance with detailed instruction sheet, Form No. 2)

Sheet No. 59

2—12758

1. Abear, Maurice, J.
(Surname) (Given name) (Initial)

2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field Service Lighthouse
5. (a) Field Station Eleventh District
(b) Subdivision Huron Island Light Station, Mich.
(c) City or town Skanee, State Mich.
6. Pay-roll title Keeper
7. Customary office title 2d Assistant Keeper.

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8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 15; per week 105
(b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day ____; or per week ____
(c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From 4 to 6 hours m. to ____ m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year ____
During what months ____
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation ____
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $ 720 - per annum; bonus, $ 240 - per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $ ____ per ____; bonus, $ ____ per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate ____
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☐ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☒ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel; ☐ Light; ☒ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum 45 cents per day commutation of rations. *(Quarters for Self)
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:
Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $ 40.00
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
(a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☒ 8
(b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☒ 3 ☐ 4
(c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
(d) College: Name ____; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
(e) Post graduate work: Kind ____; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
(f) Correspondence courses: Kind ____; number of lessons ____; number completed ____

18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.)

	Percentage of total time given to each task
Assists in care and maintenance of incandescent oil vapor light and steam fog signal on island. Keepers' residence on island. Duties as follows:	
1. Standing watch for approach of fog and observing functioning of light and signal apparatus. -	25
2. Operation of fog signal, -v- -	7
3. Care of light and fog signal apparatus, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	20
4. Painting, minor repairs, and miscellaneous work around buildings, grounds, and boat, -	38
5. Supply trips for provisions, mail, etc., - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	10

19. Does employee work under immediate supervision, or to a large extent upon his own responsibility? (Describe fully.)

Works under immediate supervision of the Keeper in charge of the station.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? No.
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? 2 months

22. I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the foregoing questions are correct.

JUL 14 1923, 1923.
(Date)

Edw L Woodruff Superintendent of Lighthouses.
(Signature of Preparing Officer) (Title)

23. I have read the foregoing and I agree to it except as follows:

(Signature of Employee)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE FIELD OFFICE OR STATION

24. Indicate by an "X" in the proper spaces below the qualifications and personal traits considered important for the satisfactory performance of the duties of this position:

	High Degree	Average	Not Essential
Judgment	X		
Accuracy		X	
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)	X	X	
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)		X	
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING		
	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		
Common School		X

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent Experienced boatman; also familiarity with machinery desirable.

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 960 to $ 1080

JUL 14 1923, 1923.
(Date)

Edw L Woodruff Superintendent of Lighthouses.
(Signature of head of field office or station) (Title)

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Form 439
TREASURY DEPARTMENT
PERSONNEL DIVISION

File No. 4

Name A B E A R, Mr. MAURICE J.,

BORN: January 12, 1899

Service COAST GUARD (L.H.S.)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—14585

September 17, 1940.

TO Capt. C. H. Jones

FROM Mr. Ballinger

Subject: Dismissal of Maurice J. Abear

Enclosed herewith is a copy of Civil Service form letter No. 1700 regarding the above subject.

It is requested that you complete the form and return it to this office for transmittal to the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

E. R. Ballinger,
Director of Personnel.

By (Signed) H. W. Stutler

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File

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Form 1700
Jan. 1935

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

SR:ETG:VCW

September 14, 1940

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury

Sir:

The Commission requests to be furnished information as outlined below in the case of the individual named in order (1) to clear the service record in accordance with the President's request of October 2, 1934, (2) to complete the service record, (3) or to determine whether the person to whom reference is made may properly be admitted to examination for reentrance to the service as

Remarks: Please furnish the cause of dismissal of Maurice J. Abear from Lighthouse Service on June 10, 1925.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

First endorsement: To the United States Civil Service Commission:
Returned, furnishing the information as outlined:

Name: Abear, Maurice J.

Department or establishment, location: Treasury - Lighthouse - Detroit, Mich.

Date and place of birth: January 12, 1899

Date of appointment, position, and salary:

Date of separation:

Cause of separation in detail: Leaving Service without due notice.

Remarks:

Respectfully submitted,

By direction of the Commandant,

R. J. Gross

R. J. Gross,
Chief, Civilian Personnel.

Date October 2, 1940.

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