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Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Burns, Andrew	4563213
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
afbfg4@umsl.edu	636-415-7353

INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much as possible)

Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Akerstrom, Julius, A.		1883 Sweden

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:
- ☐ Air Force
- ☐ Army Air Corps
- ☐ Army Air Force
- ☐ Army
- ☐ Marine Corps
- ☐ Navy
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Rank:
- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):
- ☐ 1939 & Prior
- ☐ 1940 - 1950
- ☐ 1950 & After

Date & Place of Death: 1939 MD

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

Other Identifying Information (Parent's Names, CSC Number, etc.)

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (MD/VA) 5th district	From: 1915	To: 1939
(Agency & Location)	From:	To: 3 Folders
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:

Other Identifying Information (Maiden Name, Job Title, etc.)

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STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Julius A. Akerstrom (Name) — Maryland (Legal Residence)

DATE OF BIRTH 3-24-1883 STATUS

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DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	BUREAU—SERVICE—STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
2nd Asst. Kpr.	Prob.	456	Lighthouse Cape Chas L.S. Va.	Jan. 6, 1916
	Resigned			Mar. 18, 1918
Keeper	Prob.	720	" Lower Cedar Point L.S. Md.	Dec. 8, 1923
"	Ready of Pay	960	" "	July 1, 1924
"	Trans.	1080	" Sandy Point L.S. Md.	Oct. 20, 1924
"	Increase	1440	" " "	Feb. 1, 1925
"	Promn (1" Cl)	1500	" " "	Oct. 15-1926
"	INCREASE IN COMPENSATION	1560	" " "	JAN 1 1927
"	COMPENSATION Act. May 28, 1928.	1680	" " "	JUL 1 1928
"	INCREASE IN COMPENSATION	1740	" " "	JAN 1 1931

Died March 8, 1939

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LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 18 8 46 AM '39

To Dept

Form 93

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NOTICE OF ~~RESIGNATION OR~~ DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAR 24 1939
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT.

Norfolk, Va., March 17, 1939

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is notice of death ~~transmitted the resignation~~ of the following-named employee:

Name, Julius A. Akerstrom Position, ~~1st Asst.~~ Keeper

Legal residence, Maryland Station, Sandy Point Light Station, Md.

Salary, $1740.00 per annum

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks:

Julius A. Akerstrom died on station March 8, 1939. He entered the Lighthouse Service Jan. 6, 1916, resigned at the close of March 31, 1918, reentered December 8, 1922. His next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Christina Akerstrom, 716 North Point Road, Highland Town P.O., Baltimore, Md.

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N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

March 22, 1939

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, for information.

11—4023

For the Commissioner:

R J Gross
Chief of Personnel Division

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TELEGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAR 16 1939
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL

Norfolk, Va.

March 10, 1939.

Commissioner of Lighthouses

Assistant keeper Julius Akerstrom Sandy Point Light Station, reported to have died on station. Full report when information is available

Manyon

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
March 14, 1939.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for information. Further report will be submitted as soon as received.

For the Commissioner:

W.P.Harman
W.P.Harman
Administrative Assistant

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Akerstrom, Julius A., Keeper.

Mr. Akerstrom was born in Finland March 24, 1883. He was issued certificate No. 374152, in the name of Adolf Julius Akerstrom, by the Federal Court, Baltimore, Md., on December 29, 1913.

Certified seen.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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See misc. file 1345-2

Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 31, 1930

Mr. J. A. Akerstrom

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective January 1, 1931.

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,

EDW. J. GARDNER.

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1680

To: $1740

Service and grade: Range $1620-1980

Appropriation (unit): Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

5th District.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—9051

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

M r. Julius A. Akerstrom.
Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,
Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1560
To: $1680

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE February 23, 1927

OFFICE OF SUPT, 5th DISTRICT,
Baltimore, Md.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C. 2-8-27.

Subject: Transfers and promotions.

1. Below is report for month of JANUARY of transfers, promotions and demotions made in this district which do not require oaths, including transfers made by Form 73a, with necessary data required by the Department in connection thereto:

NAME	POSITION	SALARY	NATURE OF CHANGE	Letter Date	Effec date of change
AKERSTROM, J. A.	1ASST. KEEPER	$1560	INCREASE	1/1/27	1/1/27

/s/ King
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

SEE LETTER OF FEBRUARY 8, 1927, in file of STAUBLY, L.H.

Form A-88

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 1, 1927.

Mr. J. A. Akerstrom,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective January 1, 1927.

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,

JAN 12 1927

CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1500 per annum.

To: $1560 per annum.

Service and grade: Field.

Appropriation (unit):

APPROVED BY THE ACTING SECRETARY 1/11/27

FILE 1090/1

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DECEMBER 1, 1926.

The Office of Superintendent, 5th District, Lighthouses, Baltimore, Maryland, advises the Department of certain changes, viz: - transfers, promotions, etc., for month of October 1926, as follows:

NAME	POSITION	SALARY	Nature of CHANGE	Letter Date	EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE
Julius A. Akerstrom	Keeper	1500. p.a.	Increase	10-7-26	10-15-26

See letter of November 5, 1926, in file of Joseph G. Wise.

CROSS REFERENCE.

CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Ackerstrom, Julius A. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 5th Dist.

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

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances Items	Allowances Value	Allowances Aggregate	As Classified for estimate purposes Service	Grade	Pay	Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates: Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Subtracted
720	240	960	CR	164.25	1124.25	4 HS	2	1200	yes	120	

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

approv - $1320

GRADE RECOMMENDED 6

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1320 TO $1560

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, $ Est. $20.00

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

Water Station

1. Operating fourth order light and bell fog signal.
2. Keeping the station painted and clean.
3. Keeping the machinery and small boats in order.
4. Keeping station records and preparing reports.
5. Going for mail and provisions.
6. Observing aids to navigation and conditions of weather.
7. Preparing meals and keeping rooms clean.

The keepers of this station also have charge of two minor lights.

*This employee is located at a Water Station and allowances marked X do not apply to his family who must live ashore.

PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1
(To be filled out in accordance with detailed instruction sheet, Form No. 2)

Sheet No. 78

2—12758

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE			
	a		
	b		
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1. Akerstrom (Surname) Julius (Given name) A. (Initial)
2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouse
4. Field Service Lighthouse
5. (a) Field Station Fifth Lighthouse Dist.
   (b) Subdivision Lower Cedar Point Lt. Sta.,
   (c) City or town ____ State Md.
6. Pay-roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title Ass't. Keeper.

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day Avg. about 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 1/2 of time from sunset to sunrise. 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, $ 720. per annum; bonus, $ 240. per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate None.
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 $164.25
    45 cents per diem commutation of rations.
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, $ Est. $20.00
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

Water Station

1. Operating fourth order light and bell fog signal,
2. Keeping the station painted and clean,
3. Keeping the machinery and small boats in order,
4. Keeping station records and preparing reports,
5. Going for mail and provisions,
6. Observing aids to navigation and conditions of weather,
7. Preparing meals and keeping rooms clean.

The keepers of this station also have charge of two minor lights.

*This employee is located at a Water Station and allowances marked X do not apply to his family who must live ashore.

19. Does employee work under immed[illegible] supervision, or to a large extent upon his own re[illegible]nsibility? (Describe fully.)

Asst. Keeper is under m immediate supervision of keeper except when keeper is absent from station, when assistant keeper takes charge of station and assumes responsibilities of keeper. Stations are usually in isolated localities where the personnel must act in emergency without reference to superior officers.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? .....
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

This employee ranks second at this station and he regularly has no employees under him.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since Dec. 8, 1922.

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

May 25, (Date), 1923. H. D. King (Signature of Preparing Officer) Supt. of Lighthouses (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		
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)		X	
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

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

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent .....

.....

Experience: If essential, kind and extent .....

.....

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 $ 1020. to $ 1260. exclusive of allowances mentioned in question 15.

May 25, (Date), 1923. H. D. King (Signature of head of field office or station) Supt. of Lighthouses. (Title)

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1926.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1440 per annum to $ 1500 per annum, effective October 15, 1926, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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,

[illegible]

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES 1926 OCT 5 AM 8 51

CHIEF CLERK 1926 OCT 7 AM 10 58

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., October 4, 1926
(City) (Date)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OCT 7 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OCT 9 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, Julius A. Akerstrom

Position, 1st Assistant Keeper

Location, Sandy Point L.H., Md.

Effective, October 15, 1926

Legal residence, Maryland

Proposed salary, $1500. p.a.

Proposed range, $1500.-1740

Appropriation, Sal. L.H. Keepers

[1] ~~the date of entrance on duty~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, (2nd Assistant) Keeper

Location, Sandy Point L.H., Md.

Former salary, $1440. p.a.

Former range, $1440.- $1680.

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

Previous incumbent, Aubrey B. Hudgins, Jr. Services terminated, October 14, 1926

Reason, Res ^ Transferred to Tue Marshes L.H., Va.

Members of family in Government service, None

Date of birth, March 24, 1883

Remarks:

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

H. D. King
Superintendent of Lighthouses

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 5 - 1926

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN OCT 9 1926 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPROVED:

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

10-7-26

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

M. Julius A. Akerstrom,

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: $1440.

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

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CARDED
FEB 5 - 1925

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Letter indorsed Nov. 7/24. Lighthouses

Julius A. Ackerstrom

Effective Date

10/20/24

See file of Julius H. Fulcher

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

JNO. J. GARDNER

OCT 9 1924

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Acting

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 9 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED.

FORM A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1924.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $960 per annum to $1080 per annum, effective October 20, 1924, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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,

JOHN H. GARDINER
OCT 9 1924

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 9 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Form 78

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., (City.) October 6, 1924 (Date.), 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and promotion

Name, **Julius A. Akerstrom** Legal residence, **Maryland**

Position, **Keeper** Salary, **$1080. per annum**

Location, **Sandy Point Light Station, Md.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses**

Effective **October 20, 1924** {[1] ~~the date he reports for duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper Former salary, **$960. per annum**

Location, **Lower Cedar Point L. S., Md.**

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

Previous incumbent, **Robert L. Thompson** Services terminated, **August 31, 1924**

Reason, **Resigned for better position.**

Members of family in Government Service, **None**

Date of birth, **March 27, 1884**

Remarks:

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

H. D. King
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

10/7/24.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 7 - 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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(CROSS REFERENCE)

Abernathy Julius A 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 2 1924 File No. 1095/21.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

(To be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty. The statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. 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, it should be so stated.)

Mr. Julius Adolf Akerstrom

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

Julius A Akerstrom

3. Bureau or Service, place, and district in which employed:

Light House Service | Lower Cedar Point | 5th District

4. Position to which appointed: Asst Keeper

5. Compensation: $720 base

6. Appropriation from which paid: Salaries Keepers Light Houses

7. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination, ——, 191—;" or "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

~~By reinstatement~~ Civil Service register of eligibles for Keeper dated April 27, 1922.

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

Baltimore City | Md. | | |
City or town. | State or Territory. | County. | Congressional district.

9. When the legal residence given in answer to question 8 differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

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

11. Where were you born? Finland

12. When were you born? March (Month.) 24 (Day.) 1883 (Year.)

13. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out 1912

U.S. District Court Baltimore City

14. What is your marital condition? ~~Husband~~ Married

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

Mrs. Christine Akerstrom | 200 Valley View Ave
Name. | Number and street.

Roseburg | Ore. | Md.
City or town. | State or Territory.

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Personnel
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Stenog.
Messenger
Other

16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No

(If answer is "Yes," give 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.
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

17. Have you any physical disabilities? (If so, describe briefly. If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

No

18. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
	Light House	Asst Keeper	780.	Jan 6 1916	Mar 31 1918

19. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.)

No

20. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
No			

21. 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.
No			

22. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No (If answer is "Yes," give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan)

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

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

23. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil 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 18, 19, 20, 21.)

Rigger Maryland Dry Dock Co

24. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case 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., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

6 years Public School

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

Rigger.

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

27. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.)

Yes

Date, ..., 191

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

(Signature) Julius A Akerstrom

P. O. Address: Rossville Md.
City or town.

300 Valley View Ave
Number and street.

M. D.
State or Territory.

(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.)

Baltimore, Md.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded January 16, 1923, 191

(Signature) H. D. King

(Official title) Supt. of Lighthouses, 5th Dist.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1923 JAN 17 PM 4 15

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JAN 18 1923 APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

SUPT. C... DEC 9 1922 BALTIMORE, MD.

1923 JAN 17 AM 8 36

I, Julius A. Akerstrom

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.

Julius A. Akerstrom
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 4th day of December, A. D. 1922

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Thomas J. Miles

(Official title) Master 3rd L H District

My commission expires

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$720. (base)	Lower Cedar Point Light Station, Md.
Former[5] ------		

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

ICA

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, Fifth District

Baltimore, Md., (Address) January 16, 1923. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on December 8, 1923 (Date)

CARDED

REPORT DATE RECEIVED

H. D. Knight
Superintendent of Lighthouses
(Signature followed by official title)

Supt.
1 A Supt.
Chief Cl.
2 A Supt.
3 A Supt.
4 A Supt.
Mech.
1 Drafts
2 Drafts
Hydrog.
Accounts
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Kpr.
File Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

[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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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 28, 1922.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,

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, Fourth Civil Service District.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 29 1922 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

P
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Charles B. Quidley.

Legal Residence: Maryland.
5th

(See reverse side.)

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U. S. REPORT DATE ENTERED

Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1922 NOV 27 PM 4 14 — 1922 NOV 27 AM 8 56

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, ~~Fifth~~ DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., (City.) November 25, 1922 (Date.)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 28 1922 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, Julius A. Akerstrom — Legal residence, Baltimore, Md.

Position, Keeper — Salary, $720. p. a. base

Location, Lower Cedar Point L. S., Md. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective December 1, 1922 — {~~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, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 91.0 , Other eligibles considered:

Utah C. Jennett 88.0 (FR) Wm. S. Crockett 84.8 (FR)
Edw. B. Austin 87.8 (C) Aaron J. Travis 84.4 (C)
Lloyd W. Hill 87.0 (D)

Previous incumbent, Charles B. Quidley Services terminated, November 30, 1922.

Reason, Transferred to Newport News Middle Ground L. S.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ACTION TAKEN NOV 29 1922 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Fourth U. S. Civil Service District
Office of the Secretary, Washington, D. C.
Selection regular,
NOV 29 1922 Date

L. A. Fisher
Secretary

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

H. D. King

---------- Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

NOV 29 1922

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

11—2314

March 23, 1918.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated March 18, 1918, as second assistant keeper of Cape Charles Light Station, Virginia, at $456 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of March 31, 1918.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAR 23 1918 ON JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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Form 93

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

LIGHT HOUSES MAR 21 1918

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,
Baltimore, Md.,
March 20, RECEIVED , 1918

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

1918 MAR 22 PM 4 01

Herewith is transmitted the resignation of the following-named employee:

Name, Julius A. Akerstrom — Position, Second Asst. Keeper

Legal residence, Maryland — Station, Cape Charles L.S., Va.

OFFICE OF CHIEF CLERK

Salary, $456. per an. (base pay)

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of March 31, 1918

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate. at the close of Feb. 1918.

Remarks:

Nomination of a suitable successor will be forwarded in due course.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKER MAR 22 1918 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS

1918 MAR 22 PM 4 15

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel Listed DSK 3/21/18 OKD
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

F. P. Dillon

Supt., L.S.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAR 21 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

1918 MAR 22 PM 3 40

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

L. H. INSPECTOR MAR 20 1918 BALTIMORE MD.

LIGHT MAR 21 1918 HOUSES

FIFTH DISTRICT

Cape Charles Light Station
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 18th, 1918

Light House Inspector
Baltimore Md

Sir

I respectfully will tell you that i want to resign from the service March 31st the reason is that it is not enough pay for i can make more especially in the Ship yard. if so that another man comes here before March 31st i will have the house empty and clean by middle of next week

Inspector
Supt.
Chief Clk.
1 A Supt.
2 A Supt.
3 A Supt.
Draftsman
Foreman
Mech.
Hydrog.
Accounts
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Kpg.
File Clk.
Messenger
File

J. A. Mesterson
Asst Keeper
Cape Charles Light Station
Va.

USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
8—4789-2

LIGHT — MAKE NO ENTRIES IN — OCT 26 1916 — HOUSES

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE

JULY 1, 1916.

1. Name: (Surname first. Given name in full. For women write Miss or Mrs. before given name.)

Akerstrom, Julius A.

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

Lighthouse Service, 5th Dist.

4. Designation of position:

Second Assistant Keeper

5. Occupation (if not clearly shown by answer to question 4):

6. Annual earnings:

$222.93

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS

8. Present rate of pay:

$ 456. PA

9. Initial rate of pay:

$ 360. p.a.

10. Total length of service (give the total of ALL U. S. GOVT. SERVICE with the exceptions stated on the back of this card)—

Substitute— Years:	Substitute— Months:	Regular— Years:	Regular— Months:
			6

11. State, Territory, or foreign country of birth (do not give town):

Finland

12. Race:

W

13. Sex:

Male

14. Date of birth—

Month: March

Year: 1883

15. Kinds of schools attended, years attended, and degrees taken:

El

16. Marital condition:

M

17. War veteran?

No

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State: 2 Maryland

County: Baltimore

19. Civil service status:

C

0. Method by which classified status was obtained:

CE

ace of employment—

City: timore

State: Maryland

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1913.

L. S. INSPECTOR JAN 26 1916 BALTIMORE, MD.
LIGHT JAN 26 1916 HOUSES
CHIEF CLERK JAN 26 1916
APPOINTMENTS JAN 26 1916

To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to maintain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are requested to have every person hereafter appointed or employed in your Bureau, immediately upon his entrance on duty, answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. The information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved in accordance with instructions. The information in Part II should be supplied as indicated and the form forwarded to the Department.

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

CARDED.

PART I.

(Part I should be filled out by the appointee or employee; but, if he is unable to write legibly, another person may write the answers at his dictation. In either case the statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If he is unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness. If he is unable to answer any question, he should indicate that fact.)

1. What is your full name? (Do not use initials, but spell out each name and state whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. Example: Mr. John Richard Doe. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)

Mr. Julius Adolf Akerstrom

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

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

Baltimore	Maryland	Baltimore	2nd ✓
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

Prov

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

5. Where were you born? Finland

6. When were you born? March 24 1885
Month. Day. Year.

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

Mrs. August Hansen (Name.) Willat Ave. Raspreburg (Number and street.)

(City or town.) M. D. (State or Territory.)

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationships, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed, and the positions they occupy.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
No relatives in the service				

9. If you were appointed through a civil service examination, state, as near as you recollect, the name and date of the examination. If not so appointed, state how you entered the service. (Examples: "By reinstatement," or "by transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

XXXX Dec. 14, 1915 "Asst. Kpr." Ptow

10. Have you any physical disabilities? (If so, describe briefly. If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

No

11. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
		Nil			

12. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.)

Nil

13. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil or Spanish-American War? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

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

14. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time other than during the Civil or Spanish-American Wars, indicate such service in the spaces below.

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

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Name under which service was rendered Nil

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

16. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this

16. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil 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 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Sailor on the Light vessel # 45

17. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case 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., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public school at home Finland

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

Non

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

Non

20. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.)

All the answers are written by me except typewritten ones

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. January 23, 1916

(Signature) Lubin A. Akerstrom

Witness:

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Rapid City
City or town.

Willard Ave Care Mr. H. Berger
Number and street.

S. D.
State or Territory.

(Where the appointee is to be employed outside of the District of Columbia the information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer in immediate charge before forwarding to the Bureau. Where he is to be employed in the District of Columbia, Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer who executes Part II.)

REOM

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded Jan. 24, 1916

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

(Signature) Ray L Hawkins

(Official title) Supt., L.S. [illegible]

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PART II.

(Part II should be executed by the executive officers of the various Bureaus of the Department, or, at their direction, by some official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

REOM

1. State the Bureau or Service, place, and district in which the person who answered the foregoing questions is employed:

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) | Cape Charles L.S., Va. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel.)) | 5th (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Second Assistant Keeper

3. State the date of appointment. Jan. 4, 1916

4. State the date the appointment was effective. (If appointment was made to take effect on date of oath, so state.)

The date of entry on duty

5. State the date of the oath. Jan. 24, 1916

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. Jan. 6, 1916

7. What is his salary? $456. per an.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses."

9. Is the position excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules? Competitive

10. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6, 1896

11. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination;" or "without examination;" or "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

From "Asst. Kpr." exam. Dec. 14, 1915

12. Is the employee required to give bond? No

13. When the legal residence given in answer to question 3, Part I, differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

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

Issued by District Court of the United States at Baltimore, Md., on Dec. 29, 1913.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) Ray L. Hawkins

(Official title) Supt., L.S.

Date: Jan. 24, 19 16

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

L. H. INSPECTOR JAN 25 1916 BALTIMORE, MD.
APPOINTMENTS JAN 29 1916 10,
LIGHT JAN 26 1916 HOUSES
CHIEF CLERK JAN 29 1916

I, Julius A. Akerstrom

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.

☞ Julius A. Akerstrom
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 24th day of January, A. D. 1916

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) H. C. Hunton

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Second Assistant Keeper	$456. per an.	Cape Charles Light Sta., Va.
Former[5] None; appointee's original entry status.		into this service with appointment

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

Inspector REC'M
Chief Clerk
Superintendent
1 A. Supt.
2 A. Supt.
3 A. Supt.
Draftsman
Mechanician
Accounts
Hydrographer
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Keeping
File Clerk
When Ansd
File

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT

Baltimore, Md., (Address), Jan. 25, 1916 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Jan. 6, 1916 (Date)

CARDED

H. D. King
(Signature, followed by title) Lighthouse Inspector

[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 after the 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, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no 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.

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 4, 1916.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,

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, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six 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 Local Civil Service Board for the Fifth Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice Clarence W. Salter.

Legal Residence Maryland.

(See reverse side.)

ENTERED DIVISION JAN 4 - 1916 JOURNAL CARDED. CHANGE REPORTED JAN 1916

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

HDK--REOM

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT.

JAN 3 1916

Baltimore, Md., (City.) Dec. 31, (Date.) 1915

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Appointment

Name,* Julius A. Akerstrom — Legal residence, Maryland

Position, Second Assistant Keeper — Salary, $456. per an.

Location, Cape Charles L.S., Va. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective Jan. *4, 1916 — {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Has not held appointive position in this service heretofore. — Former salary,
Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 — Rating, Asst. Kpr. — Percentage, 94.4 , Other eligibles considered:
Randolph P. Fulcher, (C)
Benjamin L. Harris (C)
G. C. Johnson, Asst., Old Plantation Flats L.S.,Va.(D)
R.F.Powell, Asst. Kpr., Tue Marshes L.S., Va. (D)
Edward Davis, Asst. Kpr., Windmill Pt.L.S.,Va.(FR)

Previous incumbent, Clarence W. Salter — Services terminated, at the close of Dec. 22, 1915.

Reason, Transferred and promoted to 1st Asst. Kpr., $516. p.a., Hog Island L.S.,Va.

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: Mr. Akerstrom entered the Lighthouse Service of this District on Oct. 6, 1910 as a seaman on Cape Lookout Shoals L.V. No. 80 and with the exception of about six months has served continuously since in that capacity on the several light vessels of this District. He appears to be fully capable of a discharge of the duties of the position for which nominated.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. JAN 3 1916 , 191 In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

L. H. Fisher
Secretary, 4th Civil Service District.

F. C. Pickard
Chief Clerk.

* Changed in Bureau B.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JAN 4 - 1916

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1-H-14

S. Conway
Acting Commissioner

* no papers. Sam

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

11—2314

AKERSTROM JULIUS A. AKERSTROM

Julius A. Akerstrom

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Julius A. Akerstrom

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SPECIAL

1-4-15 Wired

HDK--REOM

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., (City.) Dec. 31, (Date.) 1915

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Appointment

Name, **Julius A. Akerstrom** Legal residence, **Maryland**

Position, **Second Assistant Keeper** Salary, **$456. per an.**

Location, **Cape Charles L.S., Va.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **Jan. 5, 1916** [1] or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

JAN LIGHT JAN 4 1916 HOUSES

Former position, Has not held appointive position in this service heretofore. Former salary,
Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, **Asst. Kpr.** Percentage, **94.4** , Other eligibles considered:
Randolph P. Fulcher, (C) **G. C. Johnson, Asst., Old Plantation Flats L.S.,Va.(D)**
Benjamin L. Harris (C) **R.F.Powell, Asst. Kpr., Tue Marshes L.S., Va. (D)**
Edward Davis, Asst. Kpr., Windmill Pt.L.S.,Va.(FR)

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Reason, **Transferred and promoted to 1st Asst. Kpr., $516. p.a., Hog Island L.S.,Va.**

Relatives in Government Service, None

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Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. JAN 3 1916 , 191 **In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,**

L. W. Fisher
Secretary, 4th Civil Service District.

J C Ruffhead
Chief Clerk.

* Changed in Bur B

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JAN 4 - 1915

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

McC

Washington D C January 4 1916

Lighthouse Inspector Baltimore Maryland

Akerstrom appointed second assistant keeper Cape Charles effective today or hereafter

Putnam

Commissioner

Today's journal

Teletg. of Jan. 4/15
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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 4, 1916.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,

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, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six 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 local Civil Service Board for the Fifth Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Jan 6, 1916. R C

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Clarence W. Salter.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

(See reverse side.)

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March 25, 1918.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated March 18, 1918, as second assistant keeper of Cape Charles Light Station, Virginia, at $456 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of March 31, 1918.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

November 27, 1922.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses,
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Form 73
to
Supt.

Subject: Form 73 dated Nov. 25, 1922.

1. On November 25th a Form 73 nominating Julius A. Akerstrom as keeper of Lower Cedar Point, from the register of eligibles, was sent the Bureau direct instead of the Secretary of the 4th Civil Service District. It is requested that the Bureau kindly forward this form to the Civil Service District for which it was intended.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Assistant Superintendent.

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PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 14—FIELD QUESTIONNAIRE
(To be filled out in accordance with the instructions given in P. C. B. Forms Nos. 15 and 16)

Bureau No. 10a *Sheet No.*

Space reserved for the use of the Board

1. Abrahamson (Surname) Julius (Given name) A. (Initial)
2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field station Sandy Point Light Station
   (b) Subdivision
   (c) City or town State
6. Pay roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title 1st Assistant Keeper
8. Present administrative allocation $1620-1920 1620.
9. Present gross rate of pay $ None
10. Deduction for allowances $ 1620.
11. Net rate paid in cash $

12. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box or boxes the kind of allowances, if any, received by the employee:
☐ House ☒ Room { ☒ Furnished ☒ Heat ☐ Fuel ☐ Uniform Meals per day: ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
☐ Unfurnished ☐ Light ☐ Laundry ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind

13. Describe any other allowance, privilege, or perquisite of value

14. If any special equipment or food is required by law or regulation to be furnished at the employee's expense, state kind and annual cost Uniform, approximately $15.00
None

15. (a) Regular hours of work: From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (b) How many hours per week excluding unusual or irregular overtime work? 40
Summer Winter (c) If not a full time and all-the-year-round position, state number of hours per day;
number of days per { week / month / year } Subject to duty at certain hours of availability for duty, outside of regular working hours, are required, state hours and type of such duty None

16. (a) Rate of pay for overtime (b) Amount of overtime pay in last 12 months None

17. (a) Does the employee in any way direct or supervise other employees? (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering)

(c) How many?

18. If the employee supervises other persons through immediate contact, give the name and the sheet numbers of such persons. (For such of these as may not be covered by questionnaires, give number and kinds by occupations.) If the employee exercises supervision through section or division heads, give the title of such sections or divisions and the names and sheet numbers of their heads.

19. (a) Is the employee in any way directed, supervised, or instructed, or his work reviewed? Yes (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering.)
By Principal Keeper with whom he works side by side at which time he is instructed by example and supervised by direct personal contact with the Principal Keeper and by periodic inspections of stations by district superintendent or his representative.

20. What is the name, official position, and sheet number of the employee's immediate superior? Carl Gelling, Keeper 5(b)108

21. Employee's education: Strike an "X" over the number representing the highest grade or year completed in each type of school:

Elementary								High				Normal				College				Postgraduate or professional				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	(Kind)

Other education (describe): Public School 8th grade

22. What length and kind of experience or other training did the employee possess upon original entrance into this position which was most qualifying or pertinent?
Seaman on Merchant Ships for a Bay ups also Seaman on Light Ships for a time of 4 years 6 months

10—1856

Compared and certified by Julius A. Abrahamson

23. TO THE EMPLOYEE: Describe in detail the work you do. Put each distinct duty, task, or process in a separate paragraph. Explain first those that require most of your time. Explain occasional duties last. In the column at the left opposite each paragraph enter the approximate percentage of your time devoted to the work described in that paragraph. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO COMPOSE THIS STATEMENT WITHOUT FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS OF P. C. B. FORM NO. 15.

Percentage of working time	
25	The work of 1st Asst Keeper is to tend to his work and do as the Principal says and when he is absence from the Station the responsible keeping an mi to see that the light and Fogsignal is in proper working order also to see that 2 cal asst Keeper tending to his watch and duties and to show them how to do the work right
Fog signal 20 Percent	The main thing for mi is to keep the light which is Incandicent oil vapor lamps and need a very carfull attention to show a good light I have to clean the lamps and refyll the oil tank every morning to be ready when sunset then I ga 6 hours watch night and day it takes mi 15 minutes to light the lamps
House work 30 Percent	
Bathing Light 20 Percent	
mail + Provision 5 Percent	
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24. I hereby certify that the foregoing was composed by me after reading P. C. B. Form No. 15, and that it is a true statement of my duties.

Julius A. Meerstrass
(Signature of Employee)

Answer to Question 25, P.C.B.Form No.14

The duties of this employee are to share the watches with principal keeper in care of light and fog signal and the labor of keeping same in state of perfect cleanliness and efficiency, and in cleaning, painting and minor repairs of the entire station, which is a cylindrical concrete and steel caisson on submarine foundation, surmounted by steel tower containing living quarters and store rooms, housing fog bell machinery and topped by glazed lantern containing Fresnel lens for display of light, which may be either a kerosene wick lamp or incandescent oil vapor light. The fog signal is a bell operated by clockwork machinery. Communication with shore is by motor launch. Each of two keepers is allowed 8 days ashore per month and during absence of principal keeper, the assistant is in full charge of station.

28. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked ---------- In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $---------- to $----------

September 27, 1928 (Date)

H. D. Ki... (Signature of head of field office or station)

Supt. of Lighthouses (Title)

29. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked ---------- In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $1620, to $1920

OCT -8 1928, 1928 (Date)

J. S. CONWAY (Signature of head of bureau or his representative)

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses (Title)

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Fog signal 20 Percent	
House work 30 Percent	
Bottom Light [illegible] Percent	The main thing for me is to keep the light which is Incandicent oil vapor lamps and need a very carfull attention to show a good light I have to clean the lamps and refill the oil tank every morning to be ready when sunset then I ga 6 hours watch night and day it takes me 15 minutes to light the lamps

P. C. B. Form No. 15, and that it is a true statement of my duties.

The Keepers of this station also care for a similar but larger structure about 3 miles distant, displaying acetylene light.

26. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? January 6,1916

27. I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the statements made by me on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete.

September 27, 1928 (Date) — H. D. King (Signature of Preparing Officer) — Supt. of Lighthouses (Title)

28. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked 1680 1830 In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ ---- to $ ----

September 27 (Date), 1928 — H. D. King (Signature of head of field office or station) — Supt. of Lighthouses (Title)

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Fog signal apparatus consist of a Kerosene Engine pumping air which blowing a horn I have to see that the Engine is always ready to start when the Fog sets in and when I have started the Engine I have to tend to her and oil her and when she has run so many hours and the Fog has lyfted I take her a part and clean her and if any parts of the machenery is out of order I trag my best to repair it and have it ready for next Fog and if the Fog is at night I tending to the Light and Fog signal at same time

20 Percent

(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

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30 Percent The house work consist of Painting the house from top to water edge outside and before I do that I have to see that all the rust and dirt is removed away then I have to scrub and clean all the Paint Inside before I start to paint and when I am done then I have to clean all the Brass work and to scrub and clean and keep it in good order. clean our water tanks for to have a good water also do the Cooking and to see that the Boats is in good order especial the Motor boat

(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

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I also gat Baltimore Light House to ga
to that is abouth 3 miles fram Sandy Point
I gat to ga ders and Paint her fram top to
20 Percent water edge outside also paint her
inside then I gat to ga ders every 15 days
to clean the gas burner and see how much
gas ders is in the tanks so it dont run
to low and the light ga out

And then I have to see so the Provision
dont get to low for I have 8 miles to ga
and get som to Annapolis our nerest
store I ga in every 15 days except 3 manths
5 Percent in the winter I see that I gat enough
to last me in case of bad weather
and use then I ga for our mail
first I gat to Row 1 mile then walk
abauth 1½ mile to our nearest mail Box
I ga in every day in Summer twice a
week in winter if weather permits

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15 April 1925.

From: The Chief of the Bureau of Navigation.

To: Personnel Officer, Bureau of Lighthouse Service, Department of Commerce.

SUBJECT: AKERSTROM, Julius Adolph, 2nd Asst.Keeper,USLHS Statement of Service.

1. It is requested that this Bureau be furnished with a statement of service in the case of the above named man in order that he may be credited with adjusted compensation.

2. In submitting application, he gave date and place of birth as 24 March 1883 at Finland, and claimed service at the Cape Charles Light Station from 6 April 1917 to 30 March 1918.

W. R. SHOEMAKER,
Chief of Bureau.

C. B.HATCH,
By Direction.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

April 21, 1925

Bureau of Navigation,
Navy Department, Washington, D.C.
Through Commissioner of Lighthouses

Subject: Statement of service of employee named below.

Reference: Your letter of 4/15/1925 File No. Nav-642-AB

1. In reply to your letter of above date, you are informed that the files of this office furnish the information given below:

Name: Julius Adolph Akerstrom

Date of Birth: March 24, 1883 at Finland

Position: 2nd Asst. Keeper

Record of Service between April 11, 1917 and July 1, 1919 is, as follows:

Asst. Keeper, Cape Charles Light Station, April 11, 1917 to March 30, 1918.

The date and place of birth agree with the records of this office.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. C. Ruffhead.

Chief Clerk

Akerstrom, Julius A., Keeper.

Mr. Akerstrom was born in Finland March 24, 1883. He was issued certificate No. 374152, in the name of Adolf Julius Akerstrom, by the Federal Court, Baltimore, Md., on December 29, 1915.

Certified seen.

N. C. Manson,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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those who are closely joined to us
in faith and charity, but also by
not a few brethren separated from
us and by almost all the human
family eager for peace in this hour
in which the majesty and weight of
the pontifical diadem rests upon
our brow."

Lighthouse Worker Keeps Vigil With Body

Annapolis, Md., March 13 (AP).—A lighthouse keeper's two-day vigil with the body of his assistant was disclosed today in a report to the Lighthouse Service.

Carl Gelling, keeper of the Sandy Point light, said his assistant, Julius Akestrom, was painting Wednesday when he complained of feeling ill. He asked Gelling to prepare medicine for him, then collapsed and died a short time later.

Gelling signalled a patrol boat that there was a body at the light. The boat's crew understood him to say there was a body floating near shore.

Friday Emory Cherrick, another assistant keeper, came out to the lighthouse to go on duty. Gelling sent him to report to the headquarters of the service. A boat was sent which brought Akestrom's body to Baltimore.

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Culpeper, Va., March 13.—Mrs
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ASSISTANT KEEPER JULIUS AKERSTROM SANDY POINT LIGHT STATION,
REPORTED TO HAVE DIED ON STATION. FULL REPORT WHEN INFORMATION
IS AVAILABLE=

MANYON.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
March 14, 1939.

6 Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for information. Further report will be submitted as soon as received.

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For the Commissioner:

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

W.P.Harman

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NORFOLK, VA.

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
NORFOLK, VA.

March 13, 1939

Dept - Report was made on Form 93 in usual manner but this not sent in view of incompleteness but will be furnished Dept upon request

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Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Death, Asst. Keeper, J. Akerstrom, Sandy Point Light Station, Md.
Reference: 5th District telegram March 10.

Amplifying the telegram of indicated reference herewith please find letter from the Keeper of Sandy Point Light Station. The first information this Office had of the incident was the receipt of a telephone message by the Depot Keeper, Lazaretto Depot, on the morning of March 10 that the Assistant Keeper of Sandy Point Light Station had died. This message had been transmitted by a Mrs. Sterling, who, it is believed, maintains a residence close to the landing place of the Sandy Point Keepers.

The Keeper of Lazaretto Depot immediately contacted Mr. Watson, who phoned this Office and was advised to proceed immediately to Annapolis to contact the necessary county authorities and proceed to Sandy Point Light Station. The "Violet", which was operating in the vicinity of Cove Point, was ordered to proceed to Annapolis to effect transportation for Mr. Watson.

On arrival at Annapolis, Mr. Watson contacted the commanding officer of the U.S.S. REINA MERCEDES, who placed at his disposal a navy craft, with which he and the county authorities proceeded to Sandy Point to view the remains and to pass on permitting it to be transported ashore. After they had viewed the body and permission had been granted to remove it, the boat proceeded to Annapolis where Mr. Watson embarked aboard the Violet and went to the light station, removed the body and transported it to Baltimore where it was turned over to relatives.

In checking the reason for the delay it was found that the master of the state oyster police boat reported to

the Naval authorities that there was a dead man on Sandy Point. This information was then imparted to the State Police authorities, who, based on the phraseology of the information furnished, presumed that the body was on the shore line and searched all day for the remains. Failing to find anything, they abandoned the search, and it was not until the second Assistant Keeper, who had been on liberty, went aboard Sandy Point on the morning of the 10th that any information reached the Lighthouse Service relative the incident.

It is further reported that the cause of the death was a form of heart disease. A full report is expected from Mr. Watson in the next day or so, and the cause of the death will be shown in the official reports which will be forwarded to the Bureau immediately upon receipt.

It is requested that the Keeper's letter of March 8 be returned for the files of this Office.

copy for Bureau

N. C. Mahyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

COPY (LMF)

Sandy Point

March 8, 1939.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Va.

Sir:

Respectfully report about 3 p.m. J. Akerstrom came in the Radio room and told me he has awfull pain in his chest and to give him some peppermint. I did gave him some in sweetened water and told him to lay down till he fells better. He did but soon came down again and said he wasn't any better to heat him some water. I did and while it was getting hot he sat down on a chair and with once he fell over with his head in the coal hodd. I took him quick away from the stove and talking to him but I never got any answer from him any more. I tried all I could to get help, had my horn blowing and rung the bell at last 4:45 p.m. the two Police boat came and one of the Capt. said he was dead and I go in to Annapolis and report it to Lighthouse Office.

Respectfully,

/s/ Carl Geiling,
Keeper.

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NORFOLK, VA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
NORFOLK, VA.

March 15, 1939

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

Report has already gone to Dept, but this might be sent also if pertinent
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3/16

With reference to my letter of March 13 reporting death of Julius A. Akerstrom, 1st Asst. Keeper, Sandy Point Light Station, Md., there is forwarded herewith report of R. Watson, Jr., Asst. Lighthouse Engineer.

Report on Form 93 will be submitted as soon as this Office learns the full name of Mr. Akerstrom's next of kin.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Think not necessary unless called for.
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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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FIFTH DISTRICT

Sub-Office, Baltimore, Md.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 14, 1939

Supt. of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Virginia.

SUBJECT: Death of J. A. Akerstrom, Assistant Keeper, Sandy Point Light Station.

1. I received a phone call about 10:45 A.M. on the morning of March 10th from the Keeper of Lazaretto Depot that Assistant Keeper, Julius A. Akerstrom was dead on Sandy Point Light Station, and that he died on the 8th.

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2. I immediately called the Superintendent at the Norfolk Office by telephone and imparted the information to him. I was advised to go to Annapolis immediately and arrange for the transfer of the body from the station to Baltimore and to notify the relatives. I radioed the Tender Violet to meet me at Annapolis and instructed the Keeper of Lazaretto Depot to notify the relatives and then proceeded to Annapolis to take necessary steps for removal of the body. I first visited the police headquarters at Annapolis and one of the officers arranged for the services of the coroner and doctor.

Copy to Bureau

3. Reaching the dock at the Naval Academy and finding that the Violet had not arrived, permission was secured from the Commanding Officer of the "Reina Mercedes" to proceed to the station in one of their boats. Besides the regular crew of the boat we had on board Identification Officer, J. W. Musterman, Acting Coroner, Judge Strauss, and a Public Health Doctor, (whose name is lacking at this time) Chauffeur, Adam Parr, and myself.

4. We arrived at Sandy Point Light Station at 3 P.M. and examination was soon made by the coroner and doctor who concluded that the assistant keeper's death was caused by coronary thrombosis and we learned from the keeper, Mr. C. Geiling, that he died at 3:45 P.M., March 8th. We then returned to the Naval Academy, leaving the body at the station for removal by the Tender Violet. When we arrived at Annapolis the acting coroner gave me a slip of paper containing the data necessary for a death certificate and told me that I could take the body to Baltimore and for me to give the slip of paper to the undertaker who would make out the death certificate which should be mailed to him for signature.

5. The Violet arrived at Annapolis 5:00 P.M. and we proceeded to Sandy Point Light Station. The body was removed at 6:00 P.M. and we arrived at Lazaretto Depot at 8:00 P.M. The undertaker was notified immediately and he came to the depot and to remove the body. I gave him the slip as directed and he put the body in the hearse but before leaving the depot he called the

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 15 1939
NORFOLK, VA.

FIFTH DISTRICT

Sub-Office, Baltimore, Md.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 14, 1939

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Report, death of J. A. Akerstrom, Asst. Keeper,
Sandy Point Light Station.

funeral parlor to advise about the acting coroner's memo. and received advices that the local coroner would have to pass on the case also. This was done promptly and the body removed.

6. The cause of the delay in notifying the office of the assistant keeper's death as explained by the keeper was due to the erroneous transmission of his message. Mr. Geiling said that a few minutes after the assistant keeper had died, he hailed an oyster police boat which was bound for Annapolis and told the master to notify the Lighthouse Service office that the assistant keeper had died on the station. The message was transmitted to the Reina Mercedes' personnel who in turn advised the County Police Dept. The message received at the police headquarters as stated by Inspecting Officer, J. W. Musterman, was "A man is dead on Sandy Point". He said that he, accompanied by some other officers, immediately proceeded to Sandy Point and searched the beach carefully from one side of the point to the other, expecting to find the body on the beach as no mention was made of the lighthouse in the message. Not finding the body, they returned to the station, concluding that it was a false report.

7. The keeper said that he, of course, thought his message had been sent to the Superintendent and just waited for someone to come for the body. When Mr. Cherricks, the 2nd Asst. Keeper, arrived at the station the morning of the 10th, he was sent ashore to telephone the information to Lazaretto Lighthouse Depot. Message was received at 10:30 A.M. by the Keeper.

R. Watson Jr.
Asst. Lighthouse Engineer

RW/js

Form 93

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NOTICE OF ~~RESIGNATION OR~~ DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT,

Norfolk, Va., March 17, 1939

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is notice of death ~~resignation~~ of the following-named employee:

Name, Julius A. Akerstrom Position, 1st Asst. Keeper

Legal residence, Maryland Station, Sandy Point Light Station, Md.

Salary, $1740.00 per annum

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks:

Julius A. Akerstrom died on station March 8, 1939. He entered the Lighthouse Service Jan. 6, 1916, resigned at the close of March 31, 1918, reentered December 8, 1922. His next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Christina Akerstrom, 716 North Point Road, Highland Town P.O., Baltimore, Md.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

March 22, 1939

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, for information.

11—4623

For the Commissioner:

R. J. GROSS
Chief of Personnel Division

March 22, 1939

Superintendent of Lighthouses
Norfolk, Virginia

In accordance with the request contained in the last paragraph of your letter of March 13, there is herewith returned Keeper Carl Geiling's letter of March 8 regarding the death of Assistant Keeper Julius A. Akerstrom.

For the Commissioner:

H. J. Gro...

Chief of Personnel Division

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Enclosure

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON

May 29, 1939

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YOUR FILE REFERENCE:

IN REPLY REFER TO: MCD-AM

Department of Commerce,
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

AKERSTROM, Julius A.
XC-2 829 828

6/10 Sent to GM

Dear Sir:

It is claimed that the above named man performed service as a 2nd Assistant Keeper, Lighthouse Station, Cape Charles, Virginia, between the dates January 6, 1916 and March 31, 1918. Please furnish a report relative to such service and any other service which he may have had with the Bureau of Lighthouses. At any time during service was he under the jurisdiction of the War or Navy Departments; if so, please furnish the names of the vessels on which he served at that time and the dates of such jurisdiction. Do your records indicate that he performed service with the U.S. Forces in Russia prior to April 1, 1920? The character of discharge from all periods of service is especially desired.

Reply should be directed for the attention of the chief, Record Verification Unit, Veterans' Claims Service, Veterans' Administration, Arlington Bldg., Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,

George E. Brown

GEORGE E. BROWN,
Director, Veterans' Claims Service.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.,
June 14, 1939.

Referred to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Norfolk, Va., for report and return, stating whether or not Mr. Akerstrom's services during the World War were honorable.

For the Commissioner:

R J Gross

R. J. Gross
Chief, Personnel Division.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO.

LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 23 8 50 AM '39

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

June 20, 1939.

Indorsement June 16, 1939 from 5th Supt. re service Julius A. Akerstrom.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Norfolk, Va., for statement on the attached indorsement as to whether or not the records indicate that Mr. Akerstrom served with the U. S. Forces in Russia prior to April 1, 1920 as requested in the Veterans Administration letter of May 29, 1939, and prompt return to the Bureau.

For the Commissioner:

R. J. Gross
Chief, Personnel Division.

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Office of Supt. of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Va., June 22, 1939.

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses, additional statement concerning Mr. Akerstrom's military record having been added to attached indorsement.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NORFOLK, VA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
NORFOLK, VA.

2d Indorsement

June 16, 1939

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Subject: Service record - Julius A. Akerstrom, deceased.
Reference: Bureau indorsement June 14, 1939 on Veterans Administration letter May 29, 1939.

Service record of Julius A. Akerstrom is as follows:

From	To	Position	Station	Manner of Separation
10/06/10	9/30/11	Seaman	Lt.Vessel #80	Resignation
4/01/12	10/12/15	"	" " #45	"
1/06/16	3/31/18	2d Asst. Keeper	Cape Chas.Lt.Sta.	"
12/08/22	10/19/24	Asst. Keeper	Lower Cedar Pt.Lt.Sta.	Transfer
10/20/24	10/14/26	2d Asst. Keeper	Sandy Pt.Lt.Sta.	"
10/15/26	3/08/39	1st " "	" " " "	Death

During the period April 12, 1917 to June 30, 1919 Cape Charles Light Station was under the jurisdiction of the Navy Department in accordance with Executive Order of April 11, 1917. Mr. Akerstrom's services were at all times honorable.

Mr. Akerstrom's service record card in this Office shows that he had no military service of any kind. There is nothing in our records that would indicate that he served with the U. S. Forces in Russia at any time.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.,
June 26, 1939.

Respectfully referred to the Director Veterans' Claims Service, Veterans Administration, Washington D. C., Attention Chief, Record Verification Unit., for information contained, attention being invited to your letter of May 29, 1939 (MCB-Bc Akerstrom,Julius A. XC-2 829 828), in the matter.

For the Commissioner:

W.P.Harman
Administrative Assistant

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—15468-1

AKERSTROM. JULIUS A.

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON

November 7, 1940

YOUR FILE REFERENCE:

IN REPLY REFER TO: MCB-Bc

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D. C.

AKERSTROM, Julius A.
XC-2,829,828

Dear Sir:

A report received from your office in the case of the above named veteran who had service from January 6, 1916 to March 31, 1918 as a 2nd Assistant Keeper, Cape Charles Lighthouse Station, is that the Cape Charles Lighthouse Station was under the jurisdiction of the Navy Department from April 12, 1917 to June 30, 1919.

It is desired that photostatic copies of all reports of physical examinations and medical records be furnished in this case for use in connection with a claim filed on the basis of the deceased veteran's service.

Reply should be directed for the attention of the Chief, Record Verification Unit, Veterans' Claims Service, Veterans' Administration, Arlington Bldg., Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,

GEORGE E. BROWN,
Director, Veterans' Claims Service.

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13 November, 1940.

Director, Veterans' Claims Service,
Veterans Administration,
Washington, D. C.

Sir: Attention: Chief, Record Verification Unit.

In reference to your letter of November 7, 1940 (MCB-Bc), requesting information as to the medical history of Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom, XC-2,829,828, this office has to advise that there is no record of Mr. Akerstrom's medical history.

By direction of the Commandant,

Very truly yours,

R. J. GROSS,
Chief, Civilian Personnel,
U. S. Coast Guard.

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2d Indorsement

June 16, 1939

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N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Personal

WLR:MCB

March 24, 1939.

Mrs. J. A. Akerstrom,
716 North Point Road,
Highland Town P.O.,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Madam:

I am advising you relative to compensation for funeral expenses. When an employee is killed in the line of duty, there exists a provision under which funeral expenses up to a certain sum are allowed, but Mr. Akerstrom died of natural causes and his estate is, therefore, not entitled to reimbursement for funeral expenses nor is there any form of compensation due his estate. However, it is recalled that Mr. Akerstrom served at a light station during the War, which was transferred to jurisdiction of the Navy and in his capacity as keeper, he was placed in a category in some respects similar to that of veterans. Whether or not this would entitle him to any compensation from the Veterans Bureau I can not answer. Matters of this kind should be submitted to the U. S. Veterans Bureau, Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

WILLIAM COOK
FUNERAL DIRECTOR
ST. PAUL AND PRESTON STREETS

WLR:LMF

March 20, 1939

William Cook,
St. Paul & Preston Sts.,
Baltimore, Md.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 17th in the matter of allowance by the Veterans' Administration in the case of Julius A. Akerstrom, who died on March 8 at Sandy Point Lighthouse, I must advise that we have no information as to the benefits in question. Mr. Akerstrom during a period of the World War, was a lighthouse keeper at a lighthouse that was under the jurisdiction of the Navy, and in that capacity he received the same consideration as veterans.

I would suggest you communicate with the Veterans' Administration, Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,

For the Supt.:

W. L. Rebbel,
Chief Clerk.

LLIAM COOK
FUNERAL DIRECTOR
T. PAUL AND PRESTON STREETS

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BALTIMORE, MD.,

March 17th 1939.

Mr William Rebel,
Chief Clerk for the Supt. of Lighthouse Service,
Norfolk, Virginia.

Dear Mr. Rebel:

Mr. Julius Adolph Akerstrom died on March 10th 1939 and he was employed at the Sandy Point Light House, Chesapeake Bay, information is requested whether or not this man in entitled to the reimbursement of $100.00 which is issued by the Veterans Administration Washington D C for this particular case.

Thanking you for an early reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

William D. Cook

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Form 93

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NOTICE OF ~~RESIGNATION OR~~ DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT.

Norfolk, Va., March 17, 1939

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is ~~transmitted the resignation~~ notice of death of the following-named employee:

Name, Julius A. Akerstrom Position, 1st Asst. Keeper

Legal residence, Maryland Station, Sandy Point Light Station, Md.

Salary, $1740.00 per annum

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks:

Julius A. Akerstrom died on station March 8, 1939. He entered the Lighthouse Service Jan. 6, 1916, resigned at the close of March 31, 1918, reentered December 8, 1922. His next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Christina Akerstrom, 716 North Point Road, Highland Town P.O., Baltimore, Md.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce,

11—4623

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LMF
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March 15, 1939

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

With reference to my letter of March 13 reporting death of Julius A. Akerstrom, 1st Asst. Keeper, Sandy Point Light Station, Md., there is forwarded herewith report of R. Watson, Jr., Asst. Lighthouse Engineer.

Report on Form 93 will be submitted as soon as this Office learns the full name of Mr. Akerstrom's next of kin.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
Sub-Office, Baltimore, Md.,

March 14 9

Supt. of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Virginia.

SUBJECT: Death of J. A. Akerstrom, Assistant Keeper,
Sandy Point Light Station.

1. I received a phone call about 10:45 A.M. on the morning of March 10th from the Keeper of Lazaretto Depot that Assistant Keeper, Julius A. Akerstrom was dead on Sandy Point Light Station, and that he died on the 8th.

2. I immediately called the Superintendent at the Norfolk Office by telephone and imparted the information to him. I was advised to go to Annapolis immediately and arrange for the transfer of the body from the station to Baltimore and to notify the relatives. I radioed the Tender Violet to meet me at Annapolis and instructed the Keeper of Lazaretto Depot to notify the relatives and then proceeded to Annapolis to take necessary steps for removal of the body. I first visited the police headquarters at Annapolis and one of the officers arranged for the services of the coroner and doctor.

3. Reaching the dock at the Naval Academy and finding that the Violet had not arrived, permission was secured from the Commanding Officer of the "Reina Mercedes" to proceed to the station in one of their boats. Besides the regular crew of the boat we had on board Identification Officer, J. W. Musterman, Acting Coroner, Judge Strauss, and a Public Health Doctor, (whose name is lacking at this time) Chauffeur, Adam Parr, and myself.

4. We arrived at Sandy Point Light Station at 3 P.M. and examination was soon made by the coroner and doctor who concluded that the assistant keeper's death was caused by coronary thrombosis and we learned from the keeper, Mr. C. Geiling, that he died at 3:45 P.M., March 8th. We then returned to the Naval Academy, leaving the body at the station for removal by the Tender Violet. When we arrived at Annapolis the acting coroner gave me a slip of paper containing the data necessary for a death certificate and told me that I could take the body to Baltimore and for me to give the slip of paper to the undertaker who would make out the death certificate which should be mailed to him for signature.

5. The Violet arrived at Annapolis 5:00 P.M. and we proceeded to Sandy Point Light Station. The body was removed at 6:00 P.M. and we arrived at Lazaretto Depot at 8:00 P.M. The undertaker was notified immediately and he came to the depot and to remove the body. I gave him the slip as directed and he put the body in the hearse but before leaving the depot he called the

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Report, death of J. A. Akerstrom, Asst. Keeper,
Sandy Point Light Station.

funeral parlor to advise about the acting coroner's memo. and received advices that the local coroner would have to pass on the case also. This was done promptly and the body removed.

6. The cause of the delay in notifying the office of the assistant keeper's death as explained by the keeper was due to the erroneous transmission of his message. Mr. Geiling said that a few minutes after the assistant keeper had died, he hailed an oyster police boat which was bound for Annapolis and told the master to notify the Lighthouse Service office that the assistant keeper had died on the station. The message was transmitted to the Reina Mercedes' personnel who in turn advised the County Police Dept. The message received at the police headquarters as stated by Inspecting Officer, J. W. Musterman, was "A man is dead on Sandy Point". He said that he, accompanied by some other officers, immediately proceeded to Sandy Point and searched the beach carefully from one side of the point to the other, expecting to find the body on the beach as no mention was made of the lighthouse in the message. Not finding the body, they returned to the station, concluding that it was a false report.

7. The keeper said that he, of course, thought his message had been sent to the Superintendent and just waited for someone to come for the body. When Mr. Cherricks, the 2nd Asst. Keeper, arrived at the station the morning of the 10th, he was sent ashore to telephone the information to Lazaretto Lighthouse Depot. Message was received at 10:30 A.M. by the Keeper.

R. Waters Jr.
Asst. Lighthouse Engineer

March 13, 1939

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Death, Asst. Keeper, J. Akerstrom, Sandy Point Light Station, Md.
Reference: 5th District telegram March 10.

Amplifying the telegram of indicated reference herewith please find letter from the Keeper of Sandy Point Light Station. The first information this Office had of the incident was the receipt of a telephone message by the Depot Keeper, Lazaretto Depot, on the morning of March 10 that the Assistant Keeper of Sandy Point Light Station had died. This message had been transmitted by a Mrs. Sterling, who, it is believed, maintains a residence close to the landing place of the Sandy Point Keepers.

The Keeper of Lazaretto Depot immediately contacted Mr. Watson, who phoned this Office and was advised to proceed immediately to Annapolis to contact the necessary county authorities and proceed to Sandy Point Light Station. The "Violet", which was operating in the vicinity of Cove Point, was ordered to proceed to Annapolis to effect transportation for Mr. Watson.

On arrival at Annapolis, Mr. Watson contacted the commanding officer of the U.S.S. REINA MERCEDES, who placed at his disposal a navy craft, with which he and the county authorities proceeded to Sandy Point to view the remains and to pass on permitting it to be transported ashore. After they had viewed the body and permission had been granted to remove it, the boat proceeded to Annapolis where Mr. Watson embarked aboard the Violet and went to the light station, removed the body and transported it to Baltimore where it was turned over to relatives.

In checking the reason for the delay it was found that the master of the state oyster police boat reported to

the Naval authorities that there was a dead man on Sandy Point. This information was then imparted to the State Police authorities, who, based on the phraseology of the information furnished, presumed that the body was on the shore line and searched all day for the remains. Failing to find anything, they abandoned the search, and it was not until the second Assistant Keeper, who had been on liberty, went aboard Sandy Point on the morning of the 10th that any information reached the Lighthouse Service relative the incident.

It is further reported that the cause of the death was a form of heart disease. A full report is expected from Mr. Watson in the next day or so, and the cause of the death will be shown in the official reports which will be forwarded to the Bureau immediately upon receipt.

It is requested that the Keeper's letter of March 8 be returned for the files of this Office.

N. C. Mahyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Dept.
Asst Sup
Chief Clk
Asso Engr
Asst Engr
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Junior Engr
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Messenger

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NORFOLK, VA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR
11
1939
NORFOLK, VA

FIFTH DISTRICT

Sandy Point
(Station, ~~Depot, or Vessel~~)

March 8th, 1939.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Va.

Sir.

Respectfully report about 3 p m J. Akerstram came in the Radio room and told me he has awfull pain in his chest & to give him some Peppermint, I did gave him some in sweetent Water & told him to lay down till he feels better he did but soon came down again & said he waren't any better to beat him some water, I did and while it was getting hot he sat down on a chair & with once he fal over with his head in the coalhood, I took him quick away from the stove & talking to him but I never got any answer from him any more, I tried all I could to get help, had my Horn blowing & rung the bell at last 4.45 p m the two Police boat came and on of the Capt. said he was dead & I go in to Annapolis and report it to Lighthouse office

Respectfully

Carl Seeling
Keeper.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

Superintendent of Lighthouses
Baltimore, Maryland,
April 25, 1933

J.A. Akerstrom, Asst Kpr.
Sandy Pt. L.S.
Asst Keeper

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 2 1933
BALTIMORE, MD.

Subject: Record of service.

You are directed to furnish this office the information called for below as to your length of Government service. This data is desired for retirement purposes. Be sure you understand what is desired before filling out the form below. If you have not enough space to answer on the front of this sheet, the remainder of the answer may be written on the back of the sheet.

L. M. Hopkins,
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md.

1. Below is furnished the information desired by your office on above subject:

Date started	Position	Sta. or Vessel	Date left	Length Service Yrs.	Mos.	Reason for leaving
Feb 6th 1910	Seaman	L.V. #80	Sept 30th 1911	1	—	Resigned
April 1st 1912	Seaman	L.V. 45	Oct 12 1915	3	6	Resigned
Jan 4th 1916	2d Asst K.	Egg Charlotte	March 31 1918	2	3	Resigned
Nov 28 1922	1 Asst K.	Lower Cedar P.	Oct 11th 1924	1	11	Transferred
Oct 20th 1924	1 Asst K.	Sandy Point	May 31 1933	8	7	

Total length of lighthouse service 17 yrs 5 mos

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Chief Clk.
Asso. Engr.
Asst. Engr. (1)
Asst. Engr. (2)
Junior
Hydrog.
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Coal Kpg.
Prop. Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

2. Following is Government service other than in the Lighthouse Service near as you can.

Date started	Position	Sta. or Vessel	Date left	Length Service Yrs.	Mos.	Reason for leaving

Total length of other service.....

3. Give correct date of your birth March 24th 1883
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Name Adolfe Julius Akerstrom Station Sandy Point L.S.
(Write first and middle name in full)

Title 1 Asst Keeper Dated May 31st 1933
(State keeper, asst keeper, mate, etc.)

Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

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December 31, 1930

Mr. J. A. Akerstrom

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective January 1, 1931.

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,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1680

To: $1740

Service and grade: Range $1620-1980

Appropriation (unit): Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

5th District.

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—9051

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
AUG 1 1928
BALTIMORE, MD.

July 1, 1928.

M

r. Julius A. Akerstrom.

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1560

To: $1680

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Sandy Pt

Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON



January 1, 1927.

Mr. J. A. Akerstrom,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective January 1, 1927.

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,

CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1500 per annum.

To: $1560 per annum.

Service and grade: Field.

Appropriation (unit):

2nd Asst. Kpr.
Sandy Point
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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—9051

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 13 1926
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1926.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES
1926 OCT 11 PM 3 45

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1440 per annum to $ 1500 per annum, effective October 15, 1926, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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,

Chief of Appointment Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON January 31, 1925.

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB 6 1925
LIGHTHOUSES
1925 FEB 5 PM 3 40

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom, Sandy Pt

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.

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1 A. Supt.
Chief Cl.
3 A. Supt.
2 A. Supt.
4 A. Supt.
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File Clk.
Steno.
Messenger

Position: Keeper.

Salary: $1440. ok

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

Asst Kpr Lower Cedar Pt July 1 - Oct 19 - 960
EK 2 " " Sandy Point Oct 20 - Jan 31 - 1080

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Form 206 File No. S

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 5th DISTRICT,

PLACE, Baltimore, Md.,

DATE, February 20, 1924., 19

To the MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE,
U. S. Public Health Service,

SIR:

Please examine Julius A. Akerstrom, Keeper, Lower Cedar Pt. L. S.,

nativity, Finland; age, 39; height, 5 feet, 7-1/2 inches;

weight, 141 pounds; color of hair, light brown; color of eyes, blue

distinguishing marks, moustache

as to eyesight, hearing, and physical condition.

When the examination has been completed the findings should be recorded on this blank and the blank returned to the applicant.

Respectfully,

H. D. King

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

(Signature of applicant:) Julius A. Akerstrom

(To be signed in the presence of the officer issuing this blank or witnessed by a designated employee of the Lighthouse Service.)

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, Baltimore Md

DATE, March 3rd 24, 19

To SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of Julius A. Akerstrom, and find him physically ~~disqualified~~ qualified* in accordance with rules approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, respecting the treatment by the Public Health Service of light keepers and assistant light keepers of the Lighthouse Service pursuant to the Act of Congress approved August 28, 1916.

~~He is disqualified for the reasons shown on page 3.~~

Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.

* If qualified, strike out the word "disqualified" and the paragraph following.

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REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, Baltimore, Md

DATE, 3/13/14

Name of applicant, Julius Abercrombie

Eyes: Color, Gray; exophthalmus, No

chronic inflammation, None; other abnormality, None

Eyelids: Ptosis, No; condition of conjunctiva on eversion, Normal

other conditions, None

Eyesight:

Vision of right eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses, ——

Vision of left eye, without glasses, 20/40; with glasses, ——

Is applicant partially or wholly color-blind? No

If color-blind, state which color he confuses No

Were candidate's eyes tested with lantern, woolen skeins, or both? Both

Ears:

Abnormalities, None; shape, Normal Large

Position, Fairly good; condition of drums Normal

Evidence of mastoid disease, None

Hearing: (When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard: Right ear, 30 feet; left ear, 30 feet.

Distance whispered speech can be heard: Right ear, 15 feet; left ear, 15 feet.

Lungs: Normal

Heart: Normal

Defects noted which, in the opinion of the medical examiner, will not materially interfere with the discharge of the duties of light keeper or assistant light keeper:

Loss of 1st Phalanx Rt Index finger

Lt Hand

Reasons for certification or disqualification: .....

PLACE FOR SEAL
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U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH
SERVICE.

(Signature of applicant:) Julius A. Strandtman

(To be signed in the presence of the medical examiner.)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

Office of Inspector, 5th L.H.Dist.
Baltimore, Md., December 12, 1916.

FCR-JM
Record of service,

L. H. INSPECTOR JAN 2 1917 BALTIMORE, MD.

Mr. Julius A. Akerstrom, Second Asst. Keeper,
(Thru Keeper)
Cape Charles Light Station,
Townsend, Va.

Furnish this office the information called for below as to your length of lighthouse service. Be sure you understand what is desired before filling out the form below. If you have not enough space to answer any question on the front of this sheet the remainder of the answer may be written on the back of the sheet. **Return completed original; retain duplicate.**

H. D. KING
Lighthouse Inspector.

Lighthouse Inspector, Baltimore, Md.

Below is furnished the information desired by your office, above subject:

1.- Show your complete service below: (Give dates as near as you can).

Date started:	Position	Sta. or Vessel	Date Left:	Length Service: Yrs.	Mos.	Reason for Leaving
Oct 6th 1910	Seaman	Lgh Lnchst Lindsey 3L #80			11	Resigned
April 1st 1912	"	35 foot Channel Sv #46	Oct 2nd 1915	3	6	"
Jan 6th 1916	2 Asst	Cape Charles Lt		1		
		Total length of lighthouse service.....		3	3	
		Total length of service under appointment:		1		

2.- Where can you legally vote at next election and in what Congressional district?

Baltimore Md.
(Give town, county and state.) (Give No. of Cong. Dist. & name of Congressman

3.- Give date of birth March 21st 1888. (Give month, day and year.)

4.- Furnish the following information as to members of your family now in Govt. service.

Name	Name of position and where employed:	Relationship	Does employee live in same house with you.

Name Lubin Adolf Akerstrom Station Cape Charles L. Sta. Va.
(Write first and middle names in full)

Title 2 Asst Keeper Dated Dec 30th 1916
(State keeper, asst. keeper, mate, etc.)

Inspector
Chief
Superintendent
1 A. Supt.
2 A. Supt.
3 A. Supt.
Draftsman
Mechanician
Accounts
Hydrographer
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Keeping
File Clerk
When Aned
File