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Blackwell, Charles, M.		

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:

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

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Lighthouse Service (LA)	1923	1926
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:

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

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Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Form A-32

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

April 8, 1926.

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APR 13 1926
NEW ORLEANS

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same upon recommendation of the bureau, to take effect at the close of business on April 15, 1926:

LIGHTHOUSES
1926 APR 13 PM 4 04

Bureau.....Bureau of Lighthouses.

Position.....Keeper.

Allocation.....

Salary.....$1440 per annum.

Station.....Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

EP.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Cancelled

Form 93
WJB:LEC

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 5, 1926

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Charles M. Blackwell Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

Legal residence, Mississippi Station, Chandeleur Light Station, La.

Salary, $1440 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of April 15, 1926

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

Remarks:

K.
Superintendent of Lighthouses

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

WJB:LEC
Incls.

April 19, 1926

C. M. Blackwell,
217 Porter Avenue,
Biloxi, Miss.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter of April 8, 1926, accepting your resignation as Keeper in the Lighthouse Service effective at the close of business on April 15, 1926.

2. Check in payment for your services from April 1st to 5th is inclosed herewith.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Chief Clerk

P.S. Since you left the station on the morning of the 6th you have been granted leave without pay for the period April 6 to April 15.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 7 1926
NEW ORLEANS.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans, La.

Chandeleur Light Station
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

April 6th., 1926

Sir:

I respectfully report that C.M.Blackwell left this Station on resignation at 8 a.m. April 6th. 1926. W.H.Stone is taking him ashore as he has to go in to take the oath of office. Should you decide to employ a substitute a prompt message to Mr. Shuman will enable him to come out with Mr Stone on his return trip.

Yours respectfully

Charles Bateman

Keeper

WJB:LMC

April 5, 1926

C. M. Blackwell, First Asst.Keeper,
Chandeleur Light Station,
P. O. Box 591,
Gulfport, Miss.
(Through the Keeper)

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 27th in which you tender your resignation as First Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, The same has been forwarded to the Commissioner of Lighthouses with recommendation that it be accepted effective at the close of business on April 15, 1926.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy to Charles Bateman, Keeper, Chandeleur Light Station, P.O.Box 591, Gulfport, Miss., for his information. You will see that Blackwell performs no service after the close of business on April 15th, and make it a point to take him ashore on or before that date, advising this office.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

(COPY-LEC)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Chandeleur Lighthouse
March 27th, 1926

Through the Keeper

Forwarded Respectfully
(Signed) C. Bateman, Keeper

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans La.

Sir

1. As it is simply impossible for me to stay here with the new keeper I am again asking you to release me at the earliest possible minute.

2. If there is no prospect of useing me elsewhere then you will please accept this as my resignation.

3. As it is useless to go into detail will not without you require me to do so.

4. Will come to the office when I get in if you want me to.

Thanking you for the way you have always treated me, I am

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) C. M. Blackwell,
1st Asst. Keeper
Chandeleur Lt.Station.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 5 1926
NEW ORLEANS.

To the Superintendent
7th District
New Orleans
La

Sir

Have. Sent my
Resignation to you
dated 31st March to
give you 30 days to
Release me if you
will Please me and
my Sign asked to
Ground at Belize
You will oblige
oblige Yours me
Respectfully
[illegible]

Myself and Rather
talk I will
appreciate them
give you do for
me do I have
already I done
my best do you
you Rather tell
me I talk with
them I sent Kpr Lincoln
Lafayette
other and la
extension mail to me
21 Brother and Lafayette
Hilary Nurse Lincoln

ESL:EC

November 7, 1925.

O. M. Blackwell, 1st Asst. Kpr. in Charge,
Chandeleur Lighthouse,
217 Porter Ave.,
Biloxi, Mississippi.

1. Your letter of November 5th inclosing Doctor's certificate has been received.

2. It is not desired that you should return to the station until you have fully recovered. You will be guided accordingly.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

REGISTER NO. 3782

G. W. WALLACE, M. D.

GAY BUILDING
HOURS: 10-12, 4-5

OFFICE PHONE 536
RES. PHONE 420

DATE 11/6/25

Rx FOR C. Blackwell

This certifies that Ca-
tiuk has grippal cold
and should stay
home for several
(4 or 5) days.

TAKE THIS TO
QUINT'S DRUG STORE
PHONES 113 AND 406

G W Wallace M. D.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NOV 7 1925
NEW ORLEANS.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

217 Porter Cove Biloxi Miss
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)
Nov the 6th, 1925

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans La

Sir I had to go to Bed sick last night and had the Dr. here this morning he says I will be all right in a few days it was caused by Exposure I thought I would go back to morrow But he did not want me to will see him tomorrow and Monday Inclosed Certificate he gave me. Always waiting for Instructions I am

Jno Blackwell
1st Asst Keeper in Charge
Round Island Light Station
La

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NOV 6 1925
NEW ORLEANS.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Chandeleur Station
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Nov 4th, 1925

Supt Lighthouses New Orleans La

Sir.

1 Report is Acknowledging of your letters of the 3rd Nov ~~Inst~~ with Say
2 that Since Sept the 20th 1925 I have Been ashore once from Oct. 9th 5 PM to Oct the 19. 11th am a Leave for this was allowed by the Office I came in the 2nd Inst the Station at 11 am. and have written for a Leave But am going Back with Same Supplies we Will Get, that is my Business ashore I
3 I would Like to Stay until my Check Comes So I can take me Provisions to Them as Mr Henderson is Perfectly Safe to Leave the Station north
4 Mr Henderson Has had Leave from the 20th of Oct to the 28th of Oct 1925 this Leave was Approved By the Office

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

EIGHTH DISTRICT

_____
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

_____, 192

5 as to Bayols I telephoned to Mr Shuman I am sure my answer above will assure you of this matter

6 I have never been asked to Report on his work and while I would like to help Everybody. I am sure he is not a fit Person for the Place

7 I Refused to sign a Leave for him for Mr Shuman told me he Hired him for a month and I did not think he was to be allowed a Leave for that month

8 I will greatly appreciate your getting Mr Shuman to help me get things Straitened out and am advising him how kindly Let me know how soon he can do so as I can go Back any time after the 7th the Soap has not arrived but at Bilaxi Light Station

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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EIGHTH DISTRICT

_____
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

_____, 192

I assuring you of an appreciation
of your Patients and I my will
To do my my Best To Carry out
your Instructions Fearlessly and
Honestly awaiting Futher instructions
I am

C M Blackwell
1st Asst Keeper in Charge
Chandeleur Light Station
La

Form A-21

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUL 13 1925
NEW ORLEANS.

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

M r. Charles M. Blackwell, June 25, 1925.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1380 per annum to $ 1440 per annum, effective July 1, 1925.

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,

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

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REGISTER NO. 3782

G. W. WALLACE, M. D.

GAY BUILDING
HOURS: 10-12, 4-5

OFFICE PHONE 536
RES. PHONE 420

SUPERINTENDENT 8TH LIGHTHOUSES
DEC 22 1925
NEW ORLEANS

DATE 12/19/25

Rx

FOR Mr. C. M. Blackwell

This certifies that I have visited Mr. Blackwell today at his home. He had not progressed as fast as we had anticipated, so will not be able to go out for several days.

G W Wallace M. D.

TAKE THIS TO
QUINT'S DRUG STORE
PHONES 113 AND 406

ESL:LMC

February 10, 1925

C. M. Blackwell, First Asst.Keeper,
Chandeleur Light Station,
P. O. Box 417,
Biloxi, Miss.
(Through the Keeper)

1. You are instructed to report to this office by letter immediately upon your arrival ashore, and to submit application for leave, if necessary, forwarding same by first mail from Biloxi to this office.

2. Before leaving the station, this application should be prepared and signed by the Keeper.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy to W. W. Bayly, Keeper, Chandeleur Light Station, for his information and guidance.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSES
1925 FEB 6 PM 3 26

January 31, 1925.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB 9 1925
NEW ORLEANS

Mr. Chas M. Blackwell,

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: $1380 ✓

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

8th
JSJ

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB 24 1923
NEW ORLEANS.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Chandeleur Light Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

February 20th, 1923

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans, La.

Sir

1 Refering to your letter of September 26th 1922,

2 I wish to state that Mr Charles M Blackwell the 1st Assistant meets all requirements he is a trust worthy man in every Respect always ready to assist in every way.

3. His uniform has been delayed on account of mistakes of the maker twice it came too small. It will be on hand on my return to the station.

Very Respectfully
H. H. Bayly
Keeper

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 18 1922
NEW ORLEANS.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

1922 SEP 15 PM 4 10

September 15, 1922.

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell,

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 Eighty 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, Tenth Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

A
G
8th

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: W. H. Parker.

Legal Residence: Mississippi.

(See reverse side.)

11—5080

8th

Chandeleur I. S. La.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Charles M. Blackwell,

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.

(Signed) Charles M. Blackwell,
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 19th day of September, A. D. 19 22.

(Affix official seal here)

[4](*Name*) (Signed) Z.T.Champlin.

(S E A L)

(*Official title*) Notary Public

My commission expires Nov. 4th, 1923.

OFFICIAL TITLE	RATE OF PAY	NAME OF STATION, VESSEL, OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service.	$780 p.a.	Chandeleur Light Station, La.
Former[5] PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT.		

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

WJB.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address), September 21, 1922. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 20th, 1922. (Date)

E. S. LANPHIER

E S L

(Signature, followed by title)

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.

[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.

[3] The oath may be taken any time on or after the effective date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.

Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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Booked

WJB.

September 26th,1922.

Wm. W. Bayly, Keeper,
Chandeleur Light Station,
P. O. Box 417,
Biloxi, Miss.

1. Referring to the appointment of Charles M. Blackwell, 1st Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, La:

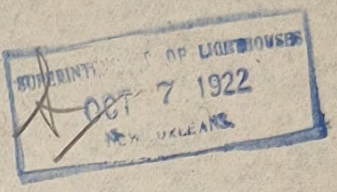
2. You are directed to report, in writing, on February 20th,1923, stating whether or not the probationary appointee, Mr. Blackwell, is capable of performing his duties in every respect. If it should at any time appear that he is not capable of performing his duties or does not perform them properly you will submit report immediately without waiting for the date stated above. You will see that he takes the necessary steps to secure the regulation uniforms (blue cloth suit and cap, and white seaman uniform for working) with as little delay as possible and report if he does not do so.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Chandeleur Lighthouse.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

October 4th, 1922

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans La.

Sir

Mr Charles M Blackwell arrived here at the Station on September 20th 1922 at 1.00 P.M. I placed him on duty at once.

Very Respectfully.
M. M. Bayley.
Keeper

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 21 1922
NEW ORLEANS.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Biloxi Miss
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

September 20th, 1922

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans, La.

Sir

Mr Charles E. Blackwell, reported to me at 6.00 A.M. this morning.

Will leave for the Station about 8.00 o'clock.

Very Respectfully,
H. H. Bayley.
Keeper

WJB.

September 18th,1922.

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell,
425 Behachi Avenue,
Biloxi, Miss.

1. Referring to your appointment as First Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station:

2. You are now directed to report to W. W. Bayly, Keeper, for duty on September 20th. Mr. Bayly will get in touch with you and convey you to the station.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy for information of W. W. Bayly, Keeper, Chandeleur Light Station, P.O.Box 417, Biloxi, Miss.

E.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

ESL-WJB.

September 18th,1922.

W. W. Bayly, Keeper,
Chandeleur Light Station,
P. O. Box 417,
Biloxi, Miss.

1. Replying to your letter of Sept.17th, you are directed to deliver the enclosed letter to Charles M. Blackwell, newly appointed First Assistant Keeper at your station, and proceed with him on September 20th to Chandeleur Light Station, advising this office when you leave.

2. Mr. Blackwell's appointment is enclosed herewith but do not surrender it to him until he arrives at the station and enters on duty. He may, however, subscribe to the enclosed oath of office before a Notary Public or other person authorized to administer oaths before he leaves Biloxi for the station.

E. S. LAMPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Booked

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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

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

PART I.

1. Name of employee: Charles M. Blackwell,
2. Position to which appointed: Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.
3. Bureau or Service: Lighthouse, District: 8th
4. Place of duty: Chandeleur Light Station, La.
   (City, town, station, or vessel.)
5. Salary: $780 per annum.
6. Appropriation from which paid: Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.
7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ———, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known).
   From Asst.Lighthouse Keeper Exam. 4/1/22.

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

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

1. What is your full name? (State whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs., and spell out names in full, including middle name or names. Example: "Mr. John Richard Roe." If name itself is merely a letter, so state.)
   Mr. Charles Morgan Blackwell
2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.)
   Chas. M. Blackwell
3. What is your present legal residence? (Give State or Territory, county, city or town, and Congressional district.)
   Mississippi, Harrison County, Biloxi, 6th Congressional Dist.
   (State or Territory.) (County.) (City or town.) (Congressional district.)
4. If the legal residence given in answer to question 3 is not the same as that stated in the certificate of appointment, the difference should be explained.
5. What is your race? (Answer "white," "colored," or "Mongolian.") White.

6. Where were you born? Eight miles N.W.Biloxi,Miss., Harrison County.

7. When were you born? March (Month.) 4th (Day.) 1873 (Year.)

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

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

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

Mrs. Chas. M. Blackwell, (Name.) 525 Benachi Ave., (Number and street.)

Biloxi (City or town.) Miss. (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") None If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position / Department or office		
		Position / Department or office		
		Position / Department or office		

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Various***Boatman; Nurseyman; etc.

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

Practical education up to 6th grade in "LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE"

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

None.

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

Only for the position in the Lighthouse Service for which appointment is desired. (4-1-22)

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

Lewis E. Curtis, Dy. Collector Customs, Biloxi, Miss.

Date, Sept. 12th, 1922.

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

Lewis E. Curtis.

(Signature) (Signed) Chas. Morgan Blackwell

(Present address) 225 Benachi Ave., (Number and street.)

Biloxi, (City or town.) Miss. (State or Territory.)

WJB.

INDORSEMENT.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded September 18th, 1922.

E. S. LANPHIER

(Signature)

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

(Official title)

11—6022

Form 1241 Field.
Mar., 1920

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 13 1922
NEW ORLEANS.

Light House Service-Dept. of Commerce.
(Branch of service or department.)

Biloxi, Miss.
(Name of city.) (State.)

September 12th, 1922.

DECLARATION OF APPOINTEE.

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

1. State where you were born and date Eight miles N.W. Biloxi, Harrison County, Miss./ March 4, 1873.
2. What examination did you take? Lighthouse Service.
3. Give place and date of examination Biloxi, Miss./ about March, 1922.
4. To what position have you been offered appointment or actually appointed? Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light, Lighthouse Service.
5. Are any members of your family or relatives (either blood or by marriage) in the U. S. Government Service? Answer "yes" or "no" No. If so, fill in the following blanks. If additional space is necessary use back of this sheet.

Name.	Post-office address. (Give street No., if any.)	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

6. Have any of the above-named persons entered the Government service since the execution of your application for examination? ____ If so, give the name of each such person

7. What is your present address (including street and number, city, and State)? 425 Benachi Ave., Biloxi, Miss.

8. How long have you resided at your present address? Two and one half years.

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

Chas Morgan Blackwell
(Signature.)

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

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

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

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

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

(Signature.)

(Official title.)

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

Boarded

WJB.

September 11,1922.

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell,
425 Benachi Avenue,
Biloxi, Miss.

1. You have been selected and nominated for the position of 1st Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, La., with pay at the rate of $780 per annum, plus a monthly bonus of $20 and daily ration allowance of 45¢.

2. You will make arrangements and hold yourself in readiness to proceed to Chandeleur Light Station about September 20th (not earlier) but do not leave for the station until you receive definite instructions from this office to doso.

3. Fill out, sign, and return to this office the enclosed Personal Question Sheet, also Form No.124, "Declaration of Appointee".

(Signed) E. S. Lanphier,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy for information and guidance of W.W.Bayly, Keeper, Chandeleur Light Station, P.O.Box 417, Bilox, Miss. You will make arrangements to convey Mr. Blackwell to the station as soon as he is given instructions to proceed. At the proper time you will report the date of his arrival at the station.

L.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Form 73

WJB.

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., September 9th, 19 22.
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Charles M. Blackwell. Legal residence, Mississippi

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $780 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, La. Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective September 20th, 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, 3rd Rating, Asst. Keeper, Percentage, 83.6, Other eligibles considered:

Joshua B. Howe, C; Wm. H. McDonald, C, to be

Previous incumbent, W.H.Parker Services terminated, about Sept.19th,1922.

Reason, Transferred to Merrill Shell Bank Light Station, Miss.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: There are no keepers in this district who desire transfer to this station, which is isolated and has no quarters for the families of keepers. Mr.Blackwell has never served in any branch of the Dept. of Commerce. Mr. Blackwell was born March 4th, 1875.

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

L.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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Booked

Form 201
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 6 1922
NEW ORLEANS.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DIST.,

Mr. Joshua B. Howe,
1502 W. Beach Street,
Biloxi, Miss.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 2nd, , 19 22.

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of 1st Asst.Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, La.
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)

Chandeleur is an isolated station situated in the Gulf of Mexico about 25 miles south of Biloxi, Miss. There are 3 keepers at this statio

Total Compensation: $ 1184.25 per annum (which includes: Salary, $ 780.00 per annum; bonus, $ 240.00 per annum; and subsistence, 45 cents per day.)

Longevity Pay: In addition to the above keepers receive $ 60.00 per annum, after 5 years of continuous service, as longevity pay.

Quarters and Fuel: No quarters are furnished for the families of keepers.
(State whether or not quarters and fuel are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Furniture: None.
(State articles of furniture to be furnished by the Government.)

Promotion: Appointees will be considered for promotion to higher positions as vacancies occur.

Shore Liberty: Not exceeding 96 days per annum may be granted to employees at this station.

This inquiry should **not be considered as an offer** of the position, as other eligibles are also being considered for the same position, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

No furniture or quarters for families are provided, except as stated above. Any additional articles of furniture required, and necessary provisions, must be provided by employees.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully, For and in the absence of the Superintendent.
F A Smith
First Assistant Superintendent.

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes.

If selected, I can report for duty in at once days from to-day.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time? yes.

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered? yes if it is the light.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Any time

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No. If yes, state how many ....; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
X	X	Position X Department or office	X	X
X	X	Position Department or office X	X	X

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

(Signature) J B Howe

Date Sept 7/22

(Post-office address) 1502 W. Beach Biloxi Miss.

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Form 201
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 6 1922
NEW ORLEANS.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DIST.,

Mr. Chas. M. Blackwell,
425 Benachi Ave.,
Biloxi, Miss.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 2nd, , 19 22.

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of 1st Asst. Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, La.
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Respectfully,

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.
A. A. Muth
First Assistant Superintendent.

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

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If selected, I can report for duty in 5 days from to-day.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time? Yes

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered? Yes

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

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Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

Date Sept. 5th 1922

(Signature) Chas. M. Blackwell

(Post-office address) Biloxi Miss

11—749

Form 201
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES — OFFICE COPY.

SENT TO:
Joshua B. Howe, Biloxi, Miss.
Chas. M. Blackwell, do

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DIST.,
New Orleans, La., Sept. 2nd, 1922.

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Respectfully,

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.
A. Cain
First Assistant Superintendent.

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you?.....

If selected, I can report for duty in.....days from to-day.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?.....

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?.....

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

.....

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No."..... If yes, state how many .....; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
	.....	Position.....		
		Department or office.....		
	.....	Position.....		
		Department or office.....		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

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(Signature).....

Date.....

(Post-office address).....

11—749

Charles M. Blackwell.

LEGAL RESIDENCE
Mississippi.

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Prob Keeper (Chandeleur L.S.Ra	780.	L.H.	Sept. 20, 1922.
" Read of Pay "	1020.	"	JUL 1 1924
" Readjustment of pay Act - Dec. 6, 1924 "	1380	"	FEB 1 1925
" Invrene "	1440	"	JUL 1 1925
RESIGNED CLOSE OF April 15, 1926.			

Form A-32

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

April 8, 1926.

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the bureau, to take effect at the close of business on April 15, 1926:

Bureau.....Bureau of Lighthouses.

Position.....Keeper.

Allocation.....

Salary.....$1440 per annum.

Station.....Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

APR 18 1926

Chief of Appointment Division.

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GARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 13 1926 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Blackwell, Chas. Jr. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 8th Dist.

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

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Amt. per annum to be Subtracted
780	240	1020	CR	164.25	1184.25	LHS	3	1260			

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

approv-1320

GRADE RECOMMENDED 6

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1320 TO $1560

~~Subsistence - cash $164.25 per annum~~

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 - - ; annual cost, $- - -

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
1. Assistant custodian of property.	5%
2. Assists with reports and correspondence.	10%
3. Assists in maintenance of 5 1/2 order flashing oil light which includes cleaning of lamp, lens, lantern, etc; stands watch four hours each night	15%
4. Assists in boating 27 miles from station to Biloxi, Miss. for mail and supplies; operates motor boat.	10%
5. Assists in cleaning and maintenance of tower, quarters, grounds, wharf, boathouse, boat, and painting of structures.	60%

SSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1
at in accordance with detailed
ction sheet, Form No. 2)

Sheet No. 56

2—12758

Blackwell (Surname) Charles (Given name) M. (Initial)

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

	a		
	b		
	c		
	d		

Department Commerce

Bureau Lighthouses

4. Field Service Lighthouse Service

5. (a) Field Station Chandeleur Light Station

(b) Subdivision Eighth Lighthouse District

(c) City or town ____ State Louisiana

6. Pay-roll title Keeper

7. Customary office title First Assistant Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 24; per week 168

(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 one-third of night m. to alternating periods 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 $780 per annum; bonus, $240 per annum.

12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $780 per annum; bonus, $240 per annum.

13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate - - - -

14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☒ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☒ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel; ☒ Light; ☒ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum

Subsistence - cash $164.25 per annum

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 - -; annual cost, $- - -

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

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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.)

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4. Assists in boating 27 miles from station to Biloxi, Miss. for mail and supplies; operates motor boat.	10%
5. Assists in cleaning and maintenance of tower, quarters, grounds, wharf, boathouse, boat, and painting of structures.	60%

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

Under immediate supervision of the Keeper.

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

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? September 20, 1922.

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

JUN 7 - 1923, 1923.
(Date)

E. S. LANPHIER
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
(Title)

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

Signature not secured owing to inaccessibility of employee.

E. S. LANPHIER
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
(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			
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)			
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)			
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

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

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent

Boating - one year.

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 $900 to $1140

JUN 7 - 1923, 1923.
(Date)

E. S. LANPHIER
(Signature of head of field office or station)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
(Title)

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 2—12758

Form 93
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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSES LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

1926 APR 7 PM 12 23

New Orleans, La., April 5, 1926

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Charles M. Blackwell — Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

Legal residence, Mississippi — Station, Chandeleur Light Station, La.

Salary, $1440 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of April 15, 1926.

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

Remarks:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE APR 8 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE APR 10 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN APR 12 1926 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

E. S. Lanphier,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON
APR 8 - 1926

E.K.
Inclosure
Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

APPROVED:
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 5 1926
NEW ORLEANS.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Chandeleur Lighthouse
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)
March 27, 1926

Through the Keeper

Forwarded respectfully
C. Coleman Keeper

1926 APR 5 PM 12 23

Supervisor Lighthouses
New Orleans La

Sir

1 At it is simply impossible for me to stay there with the new Keeper. I am again offering you to Release me at the Earliest Possible Minute

2 if there is No Prospect of being me Elsewhere than you will Please accept this as my Resignation

3 I do it is useless to go into detail will but without you Requiring me to do so

4 will Come to the Office when I get there if you want me to

Thanking you for the many favors you have always Extended me I am your Respectfully

Chas Coleman Keeper

Chandeleur Lt Sta
La

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell, June 25, 1925.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1380 per annum to $ 1440 per annum, effective July 1, 1925.

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.

JUL 8 -1925

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

11—8074

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 18 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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CARDED

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

Mr. Chas M. Blackwell,

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,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper

Salary: $1380

FEB 6 - 1925

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

8th
JSJ

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 6 1925 OFFICIAL JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Charles M. Blackwell, has been granted the increase of compensation provided in the act approved June 29, 1922, effective Sept. 20, 1922.

For authorization see letter date 10/18 File No. 1094/17

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Blackwell, Charles M. In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $1020, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 24 1924 File No. 1095/21.

CHIEF CLERK

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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1922 SEP ~~20~~ PM ~~4~~ 19

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
NEW ORLEANS
SEP 1 1922
SEP 2 1922
APPOINTMENT
CIVIL DIVISION.

1922 SEP 20 PM 3 42

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

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

PART I.

1. Name of employee Charles M. Blackwell,

2. Position to which appointed Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

3. Bureau or Service Lighthouse, District 8th

4. Place of duty Chandeleur Light Station, La.
(City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary $780 per annum.

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

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

From Asst.Lighthouse Keeper Exam. 4/1/22.

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

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

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

Mr. Charles Morgan Blackwell

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

Chas. M. Blackwell.

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

Mississippi, Harrison County, Biloxi, 6th Congressional Dist.
(State or Territory.) (County.) (City or town.) (Congressional district.)

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

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

6. Where were you born? Eight miles N.W.Biloxi, Mississippi,Harrison County,Miss.

7. When were you born? March 4,-1-8-7-3-- 4th 1873.
(Month.) (Day.) (Year.)

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

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

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

Mrs. Chas.M.Blackwell, 525 Benachi Ave./
(Name.) (Number and street.)

Biloxi Mississippi.
(City or town.) (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") None. If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Various***Boatman; Nurseyman, etc.

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

Practical education up to 6th grade in "LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE"

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

None.

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

Only for the position in the Lighthouse Service for which appointment is desired. (4-1-22)

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

Lewis E. Curtis, Dy. Collector Customs, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Date, Sept. 12th, 1922.

Witness (in case signature is by mark): Lewis E. Curtis

(Signature) Thad Morgan Blackwell

(Present address) 225 Benachi Ave./ Biloxi, Miss.
(Number and street.)

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

WJB.

INDORSEMENT.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded September 18th, 1922.

(Signature) E. S. LANDHIER
E.S.L.

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Form 111

CHIEF CLERK

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 21 1922
NEW ORLEANS
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.
1922 SEP 23 PM 3
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I, Charles M. Blackwell,

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.

Charles M. Blackwell
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 19 day of September, A. D. 19 22.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) J. Y. Champlin

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires Nov 4 1923

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service.	$780 p.a.	Chandeleur Light Station, La.
Former [5] PROBATIONARY	APPOINTMENT.	

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

WJB.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address), September 21, 1922. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 20th, 1922. (Date)

CARDED

E. S. LANTHIER
(Signature, followed by title)
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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

U. S. RETIREMENT DATA
ENTERED

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

September 15, 1922.

Mr. Charles M. Blackwell,

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 Eighty 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, Tenth Civil Service District.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED SEP 15 1922 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD ARMSTRONG

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: W. H. Parker.

Legal Residence: Mississippi.

(See reverse side.)

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U.S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

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1922 SEP 13 PM 3 55

New Orleans, La., (City.) September 9th (Date.), 19 22.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Charles M. Blackwell, Legal residence, Mississippi

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $780 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, La. Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective September 20th, 1922, ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SEP 15 1922 DIVISION

Former position, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Former salary, - - - - - - - - - -

Location, - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN SEP 15 1922 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Rank on eligible list, 3rd Rating, Asst. Keeper. Percentage, 83.6, Other eligibles considered:

Joshua B. Howe, C; Wm. H. McDonald, C.

Previous incumbent, W.H.Parker to be Services terminated, about Sept.19th,1922.

Reason, Transferred to Merrill Shell Bank Light Station, Miss.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: There are no keepers in this district who desire transfer to this station, which is isolated and has no quarters for the families of keepers. Mr.Blackwell has never served in any branch of the Dept. of Commerce. Mr. Blackwell was born March 4th, 1873.

Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission,~~ SEP 11 1922, 19

9/15/22.

PROBATIONAL.

E H Kemmer
Secretary, 10th Civil Service District.

E. J. Langlois.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Mr Blackwell

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

E.R.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. SEP 14 1922

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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