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REQUESTER INFORMATION

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
Buras, Richard, A.		

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

(Agency & Location) Lighthouse Service (LA) 8th dist

From:	To:
1928	1929

(Agency & Location)

From:	To:
1928	1945

(Agency & Location)

From:	To:

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

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Appointment Time and Date:

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Richard A. Burras (Name) — La. (Legal Residence)

STATUS

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DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	BUREAU—SERVICE—STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
			8th L. N. Dist	
Keeper	TEMPORARY Nte 90 da.	1020	L. H. - So. Pass Rge Rear.	May 16. 192
"	Ext. Nte 90 da.	"	" " "	Aug. 13, 192
	LAST DAY OF SERVICE		Oct. 15, 1927.	
Keeper	Prob.	1020	L. H. So. Pass Rge Rear.	6/20/28
"	COMPENSATION Act. May 28, 1923.	1140	" "	JUL 1 1928
	RESIGNED CLOSE OF		April 10, 1929.	

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RICHARD A. BURAS

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LIGHTHOUSES
1928 JUN 11 AM 9 44

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.) June 8 (Date.), 1928

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probational appointment

Name, Richard A. Buras — Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service — Salary $1020 p.a. ($1020-$1380 p.a.)

Location, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La. — Appropriation, Sals.L.H.Keepers

Effective June 16, 1928 — ~~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.L.H. Keeper Percentage, 86, Other eligibles considered: Guy H. Wyman, C; John B. Gunn, C.

Previous incumbent, Dallas J. Silvy — Services terminated, June 3, 1928

Reason, Transferred to Pass Manchac Light Station, La.

Members of family in Government Service, NONE
DATE OF BIRTH: November 13, 1883

Remarks: Mr. Buras has served in a temporary capacity as Asst.Keeper at this station during the period May 16, 1927, to October 15, 1927. There are no keepers in the Service desiring transfer to this station.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. JUN 8 1928

Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission,~~ JUN 8 1928, 19

W. St. Bearden, Secretary, TENTH Civil Service District.

E. S. Langlois, Superintendent of Lighthouses

PROBATIONAL, ACTING

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUN 11 1928

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES 1929 MAR 23 AM 8:54

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City) March 13 (Date), 1929

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation and range — Legal residence, Louisiana

Name, Richard A. Buras — Proposed salary, $1380 p.a.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service — Proposed range, $1380-$1680 p.a.

Location, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La. — Appropriation, Sals. L.H.Keepers

Effective, April 1, 1929 — [1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service — Former salary, $1140 p.a.

Location, South Pass Range Rear Light Sta., La. — Former range, $1140-$1440 p.a.

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

Previous incumbent, Self — Services not to be terminated,

Reason, - - -

Members of family in Government service, NONE

Date of birth, November 3, 1883

Remarks: See accompanying letter, and Bureau authority of March 8, 1929.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

R. G. Muth

Secretary, Civil Service District. — Assistant Superintendent

Inclosure

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

March 25, 1929.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. There are no quarters now provided at this station for the Second Assistant Keeper and in accordance with the keeper's classification system the range of this position should be $1380-$1680 as herein proposed, attention in this connection being invited to the attached report of the Superintendent, dated March 13.

Rec

H. D. KING
Acting commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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

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LIGHTHOUSES

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES MAR 11 1929 NEW ORLEANS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON March 8, 1929.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

1. According to the records of the Bureau, South Pass Range Rear Light Station is a class three station with family quarters and an allowance of A-$60 on account of isolation, the present net ranges of the three keeper positions being as follows:

Principal Keeper	$1380-1680
First Assistant Keeper	1200-1500
Second Assistant Keeper	1140-1440.

2. It is noted, however, from your pay roll for the month of November, 1928, that no deduction on account of quarters is made in the case of R. A. Buras, Second Assistant Keeper at this station, although deduction therefor is made in his range and pay according to the classification of the station. If quarters are not furnished the Second Assistant Keeper, the range of the position should be increased to include the allowance therefor which is now deducted. If this is the case, it is requested that nomination be submitted for increasing the pay of the present Second Assistant Keeper to $1380 per annum and his range to $1380-$1680, together with appropriate explanation.

Airways Survey Constrn. Commun. Weather Clerical Adm. Offcr. Air Engr. Chief Engr. Hydro. Radio Engr. Consrn. Mar. Engr. Personnel Finance Law & Prop. Adm. Asst. Dep. Commr. Commissioner

H. D. King

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

WJB.

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.
New Orleans, La., March 13, 1929.

Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Family quarters are not furnished the 2nd Asst. Keeper at South Pass Range Rear L.S.,La., and accordingly nomination is submitted herewith to increase the pay of the incumbent, R. A. Buras, from $1140 p.a., in the range $1140-1440, to $1380 p.a., in the range $1380-1680, effective April 1, 1929.

2. Sometime back the 2nd Asst.Keeper at this station was authorized to have his family reside in the Lighthouse Tower, for which a deduction of $240 p.a. was made on account of quarters. At the next change of keepers in this position the new keeper was given permission to reside in the tower but no provision was made for his family, and through an inadvertence the range of pay for this position was not changed accordingly.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

F. G. Muth

Assistant Superintendent. 3

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LIGHTHOUSE COMMISSIONER

189 WASHINGTON DC

CANCEL NOMINATION FORM SEVENTY THREE MARCH THIRTEENTH RICHARD A BURAS INCREASE IN COMPENSATION AND ACCOMPANYING LETTER BURAS HAS RESIGNED

LANPHIER.

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LIGHTHOUSE COMMISSIONER
WASHINGTON DC

CANCEL NOMINATION FORM SEVENTY THREE MARCH THIRTEENTH RICHARD A BURAS INCREASE IN COMPENSATION AND ACCOMPANYING LETTER BURAS HAS RESIGNED

LANPHIER

RLC:EMF Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., March 28, 1929.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce recommending cancellation of the nomination for increase in pay in the case of Richard A. Buras, which was submitted to the Department by Bureau indorsement of March 25.

H. D. KING,
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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	
50%	Stand night watches of four hours each in watchroom of tower using kerosene vapor light and working revolving lens machinery. At this station, where there are three keepers, every third day I put in fourteen hours a day. I go on watch from 2:00 A.M. to sunrise, then I go to work at 8:00 A.M. burning paint and scraping paint until noon, then back on night watch at 5:30 P.M.
25	Operate sailboat to cross the bay for mail and supplies, every third day.
25	General work done at this station during the year: chipping and tarring tower and repainting when needed; burning and scraping paint off dwellings and repainting same; cleaning and keeping in good order entire light station; cutting grass and keeping grounds in order; cleaning and polishing lens and all other brass on station.

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.

R. C. Burns
(Signature of Employee)

25. TO THE PREPARING OFFICER: Write your own description of the employee's work. If in describing the work of the position you would cover the same subject matter and use the same language and expressions, indicate your concurrence in the employee's statement and utilize the rest of the space below by giving further and broader information regarding the position, such as the kind and degree of responsibility involved, the ultimate purpose of the work, its place in your organization, its working conditions, etc. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet. See instructions in Form No. 16.

Cares for first order incandescent oil vapor revolving light.
Station isolated.

26. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? June 20, 1928

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.

SEP 17 1928, 1928 (Date) — E. S. LANPHIER (Signature of Preparing Officer) — SUPERINTENDENT 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 —. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 1140 to $ 1440

SEP 17 1928, 1928 (Date) — E. S. LANPHIER (Signature of head of field office or station) — SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES (Title)

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SEP 20 1928, 1928 (Date) — H. B. BOWERMAN (Signature of head of bureau or his representative) — Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses (Title)

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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. 143 *Sheet No.* [illegible]

Space reserved for the use of the Board

1. [illegible] Richard A.
(Surname) (Given name) (Initial)

2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field station South Pass Light Station
(b) Subdivision Eighth Lighthouse District
(c) City or town [illegible] State Louisiana

6. Pay roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title Second Assistant Keeper
8. Present administrative allocation $1140-1440
9. Present gross rate of pay $ 1140
10. Deduction for allowances $ [illegible]
11. Net rate paid in cash $ 1140

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 [illegible]

14. If any special equipment or a bond is required by law or regulation to be furnished at the employee's expense, state kind and annual cost [illegible]

15. (a) Regular hours of work: From [illegible] m. to [illegible] m. (b) How many hours per week excluding unusual or irregular overtime work? [illegible]
Summer [illegible] Winter [illegible] (c) If not a full time and all-the-year-round position, state number of hours per day [illegible];
number of days per { week / month / year } [illegible] (d) If certain hours of availability for duty, outside of regular working hours, are required, state hours and type of such duty [illegible]

16. (a) Rate of pay for overtime [illegible] (b) Amount of overtime pay in last 12 months [illegible]

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

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? [illegible] (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering.) [illegible]

20. What is the name, official position, and sheet number of the employee's immediate superior? [illegible]

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	X	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	(Kind)

Other education (describe): [illegible]

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? [illegible]

Form A-32

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

April 9, 1929.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department has accepted without prejudice, your resignation from the position designated below, effective at the close of business on April 10, 1929.

Bureau ..... Lighthouses

Position ..... Keeper

Allocation .....

Salary ..... $1140 per annum

Station ..... South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Louisiana.

By direction of the Secretary:

APR 10 1929

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARONNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1928

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LIGHTHOUSES

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION ~~OR DEATH~~

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE 8th DISTRICT MAR 30 1929 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., March 27, 1929

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Richard A. Buras — Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Legal residence, Louisiana — Station, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.

Salary, $1140 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of April 10, 1929

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

Remarks:

E. S. Lamphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses

3-30-29

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAR 29 1929

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN APR 9 1929 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

D. O. King
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 27 1929
NEW ORLEANS

1929 MAR 29 AM 11 50

EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass Range Rear Light Sta
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 25, 1929

Supt of Light houses
New Orleans La

Dear Sir

Please Except my Resnation
to take afect April 10 1929

Respectfully
R. A. Buras. 2 asst keeper

Andrew Jackson. Jr.
1st asst Keeper in charge.

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Telegram

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAR 29 1929
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
MAR 27 1929

NEW ORLEANS LA 27

LIGHTHOUSE COMMISSIONER
WASHINGTON DC

CANCEL NOMINATION FORM SEVENTY THREE MARCH THIRTEENTH RICHARD A BURAS INCREASE IN COMPENSATION AND ACCOMPANYING LETTER BURAS HAS RESIGNED

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LANPHIER

RLC:EMF Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., March 28, 1929.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce recommending cancellation of the nomination for increase in pay in the case of Richard A. Buras, which was submitted to the Department by Bureau indorsement of March 25.

3-29-29

H. D. KING,
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Form 73
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LIGHTHOUSES
1929 MAR 23 AM 8:54

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAR 25 1929 DISTRICT OFFICE

CHIEF CLERK MAR 25 PM 3

New Orleans, La. (City) March 13 (Date), 1929

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAR 30 1929 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Action recommended, Increase in compensation and range

Legal residence, Louisiana

Name, Richard A. Buras — acct. no quarters 2 ak

Proposed salary, $1380 p.a.

CL-3-26

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Proposed range, $1380-$1680 p.a. *

Location, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

Appropriation, ~~Sals. L.H.Keepers~~ Such

Effective, April 1, 1929

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

Former position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Former salary, $1140 p.a.

Location, South Pass Range Rear Light Sta., La.

Former range, $1140-$1440 p.a.

Rank on eligible list, - - -

Rating, - - - Percentage, - - - , Other eligibles considered:

* Taking quarters from 2ak- increases his range by 240 - ie - 1380-1680. See Letter 3/18/29 herewith

Previous incumbent, Self

not to be
Services terminated,

Reason, - - -

Members of family in Government service, NONE

Date of birth, November 3, 1883

Remarks: See accompanying letter, and Bureau authority of March 8, 1929.

Cancelled

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. G. Muth

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Assistant Superintendent

Inclosure

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

March 25, 1929.

3-25-29

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. There are no quarters now provided at this station for the Second Assistant Keeper and in accordance with the keeper's classification system the range of this position should be $1380-$1680 as herein proposed, attention in this connection being invited to the attached report of the Superintendent, dated March 13.

Action O. K.

Chief Clerk

H. D. KING
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

March 8, 1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

1. According to the records of the Bureau, South Pass Range Rear Light Station is a class three station with family quarters and an allowance of A-$60 on account of isolation, the present net ranges of the three keeper positions being as follows:

Principal Keeper	$1380-1680
First Assistant Keeper	1200-1500
Second Assistant Keeper	1140-1440

2. It is noted, however, from your pay roll for the month of November, 1928, that no deduction on account of quarters is made in the case of R. A. Buras, Second Assistant Keeper at this station, although deduction therefor is made in his range and pay according to the classification of the station. If quarters are not furnished the Second Assistant Keeper, the range of the position should be increased to include the allowance therefor which is now deducted. If this is the case, it is requested that nomination be submitted for increasing the pay of the present Second Assistant Keeper to $1380 per annum and his range to $1380-$1680, together with appropriate explanation.

(SGD.) H. D. KING
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.,
New Orleans, La., March 13, 1929.

Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Family quarters are not furnished the 2nd Asst. Keeper at South Pass Range Rear L.S., La., and accordingly nomination is submitted herewith to increase the pay of the incumbent, R. A. Buras, from $1140 p.a., in the range $1140-1440, to $1380 p. a., in the range $1380-1680, effective April 1, 1929.

2. Sometime back the 2nd Asst. Keeper at this station was authorized to have his family reside in the Lighthouse Tower, for which a deduction of $240 p. a. was made on account of quarters. At the next change of keepers in this position the new keeper was given permission to reside in the tower but no provision was made for his family, and through an inadvertence the range of pay for this position was not changed accordingly.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

(SGD.) F. A. MUTH
Assistant Superintendent.

Standard Form No. 17
Approved by the President, March 26, 1926
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 14 1928 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE

This report to be made at expiration of fifth month of service. In cases where the probationary period comprises one year, this report is to be made at the expiration of the tenth month of service.

If service has been unsatisfactory, recommendation for discontinuance under the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 1 of Civil Service Rule VII should be forwarded immediately to the Department. A full statement of reasons should be set forth under "Remarks."

Commerce
(Department)

Office of Supt., 8th Lighthouse District, New Orleans, La. November 5, 1928
(Bureau or office) (Place and date)

To Commissioner of Lighthouses
(Head of department or establishment)

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on December 19, 1928.

The conduct and capacity of this employee have been satisfactory during the probationary period, and (he) (she) is considered qualified for absolute appointment.

Name Richard A. Buras

Position Second Asst.Keeper, in the Lighthouse Service

Salary $1020 per annum

Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Station South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

Date of entrance on duty June 20, 1928

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Remarks:

L. Buras, Keeper
(Signature of immediate superior)

NOV 13 1928

Submitted:
E. S. Lamplier
(Head of bureau or office)
Superintendent of Lighthouses

SUBMITTED:

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 10—1732

W. P. Starmann
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

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.

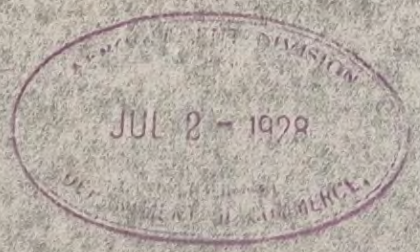
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From: $1020

To: $1140

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Form 111
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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES 1928 JUL 5 AM 9 15 CHIEF CLERK

1928 JUL 5 AM 11 05

I, Richard A. Biras

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.

Richard A Biras
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 28th day of June, A. D. 1928

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Frank J. Lobrano

(Official title) Clerk Court & Notary Public

My commission expires June 1st 1932

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service	$1020 p.a.	South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.
Former [5] PROBATIONAL APPOINTMENT		

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

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address), July 2, 1928 (Date)

BOARDED

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on June 20, 1928 (Date)

E. S. Lamphier.
(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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STANDARD FORM NO. 6
(Approved by the President March 28, 1924)

LIGHTHOUSES
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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUL 3 1928
NEW ORLEANS
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

PERSONAL HISTORY

(Statement to be prepared by appointee in his own handwriting)

Bureau, division, or office 8th U. S. Lighthouse District (South Pass Range Rear Light Station)

1. Name in full Richard Andrew Buras

2. Legal (voting) residence Louisiana Plaq. Port Eads
(State and Congressional District) (County) (City or town)

3. Where born? Louisiana Pt Coupee a la hache When born? Mar 13 1883
(State or foreign country) (City or town) (Date)

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien

5. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus: √

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)		
Male √	Female	Single	Married √	Divorced	Widowed	White √	Colored	

6. A complete record of your past civil service for the United States Government:

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
Dont Remaber all Dates But served in the Govt. Service light house and Engineer Dept. Both on and off from 1902 to 1908 A total of about 15 years service								

7. Military and naval record. If any, check (√) to indicate branch and other information and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War Veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary

CARDED

Enlisted ..... Discharged .....
Organization .....

Enlisted ..... Discharged .....
Organization .....

8. EDUCATION (Circle number of years)

Common school								High school				College				Degrees, if any
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	

9. State special qualifications Engineer on steam and Gas Engine

10. Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency:

Mrs Richard A Buras (Name) wife (Relationship)
Port Eads La (Post office address)

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

Richard A Buras
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

June 30, 1928 (Date) Present address Port Eads La

10—1659 GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Form A-30

NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 12, 1928.

M
r. Richard A. Bures,
Through the
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of One Thousand and Twenty dollars per ~~annum~~

effective
upon entrance on duty.

Nature of appointment:
Probationary.

Civil Service authority:
Acting Secretary, Tenth Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

CARDED
JUN 15 1928

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation (unit):
Field.

Vice:
Dallas J. Silvy.

Legal Residence:
Louisiana.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.) June 8 (Date.), 1928

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUN 18 1928 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUN 18 1928 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probational appointment

Name, Richard A. Buras

Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service (2nd)

Salary, $1020 p.a. ($1020-$1380 p.a.)

Location, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.

Appropriation, ~~Sals.L.H.Keepers~~

Effective June 16, 1928 { ~~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.L.H. Keeper Percentage, 86 , Other eligibles considered: Guy H. Wyman, C; John B. Gunn, C.

Previous incumbent, Dallas J. Silvy 1080 Services terminated, June 3, 1928

Reason, Transferred to Pass Manchac Light Station, La.

Members of family in Government Service, NONE

DATE OF BIRTH: November 13, 1883

Remarks: Mr. Buras has served in a temporary capacity as Asst.Keeper at this station during the period May 16, 1927, to October 15, 1927. There are no keepers in the Service desiring transfer to this station.

NEW ORLEANS, LA JUN 8 1928

Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission,~~ JUN 8 1928, 19

PROBATIONAL

W. St. Beasley
Secretary, TENTH Civil Service District.

E. S. Lamphier,
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUN 11 1928

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN JUN 14 1928 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Action O. K.

Chief Clerk

H. B. Brueman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OCT 22 1927 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Name of employee Richard A. Buras

Designation Keeper in the Lighthouse Service, Temporary *Compensation* $1020 p.a.

Place of employment South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

Last day served October 15, 1927

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

APPOINTMENT DIVISION 1721 OCT 29 1927 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Assistant Superintendent
(Official title.)

Date October 19, 1927

8th U.S.Lighthouse District
(Bureau or service.)

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CARDED

August 15, 1927.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department has extended the temporary limitation on your appointment as Keeper at $1020 per annum in the Eighth Lighthouse District for a period not to exceed 90 days, effective beginning August 13, 1927.

No new appointment will be issued as a result of this extension and an Oath of Office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

AUG 15 1927

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AUG 8 1927 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.) August 3 1927 (Date.)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AUG 11 1927 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Tenth United States Civil Service District RECEIVED AUG 8 1927 NEW ORLEANS, LA.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Extension of temporary appointment for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

Name, **Richard A. Buras** Legal residence, **Louisiana**

Position, **Keeper in the Lighthouse Service** Salary, **$1020 p.a.** (Rge: $1020-$1380 p.a.)

Location, **South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.** Appropriation, ~~Sals. L.H. Keeper~~ **Sup.**

Effective **August ~~16~~ 13, 1927** actual date { ~~the date he enters on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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

Location, - - -

* Was appt'd temp. 90 days eff. May 16, 1927.

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

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN AUG 11 1927 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Previous incumbent, ~~Neal Patton~~ Neal Services terminated, **March 20, 1927**

Reason, **On leave without pay**

Members of family in Government Service, NONE
DATE OF BIRTH: November 3, 1883.

Remarks: The above employee entered on duty on May 16, 1927, under Department appointment of May 2, 1927. The period of this appointment expires at the close of August 15, 1927, hence this nomination. Neal Patton, the permanent incumbent of this position is still on leave without pay and it is not known definitely when he will return to duty.

Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the~~
U. S. Civil Service Commission, 8-3-27, 19

Entered on duty

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

E. H. Jennings
Approved for extension of 90-days
Secretary, Tenth Civil Service District.

E. H. Braun Jr.
Chief Clerk

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

August 5, 1927.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APPROVED:
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

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¹ Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 6
(Approved by the President March 28, 1924)

LIGHTHOUSES
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PERSONAL HISTORY

(Statement to be prepared by appointee in his own handwriting)

Bureau, division, or office 8th U. S. Lighthouse District (South Pass Range Rear L.S.)

1. Name in full Richard Andrason Buras

2. Legal (voting) residence Louisiana 1st ward Plaquemine Port Eads
(State and Congressional District) (County) (City or town)

3. Where born? Louisiana Point a la hache When born? Nov 13 1883
(State or foreign country) (City or town) (Date)

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien (Nov 13, 1883)

5. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus: √

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)		
Male ✓	Female	Single	Married ✓	Divorced	Widowed	White ✓	Colored	

6. A complete record of your past civil service for the United States Government:

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
United States Eng Dept	Labor	$2 75 Day	June	8th	1925	Nov.	9th	1926.
	Engine man	$1 00 month						

Military and naval record. If any, check (√) to indicate branch and other information and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None ✓	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War Veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary

Enlisted ..... Discharged .....

Organization .....

Enlisted ..... Discharged .....

Organization .....

8. EDUCATION (Circle number of years)

Common school	High school	College	Degrees, if any
1 2 3 (4) 5 6 7 8	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	

9. State special qualifications I have worked as steam engineer for 7 years.

CARDED

10. Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency:

Mrs Mary R Buras (Name) Wife (Relationship)

Port Eads (Post office address)

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

Richard A Buras
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

April 21st 1927 (Date) Present address Port Eads La

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Form 111
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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE LIGHTHOUSES JUN 1927 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

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I, Richard A. Buras

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.

Richard A Buras
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 31 st day of May, A. D. 1927

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) George W. Delesdernier

(Official title) Justice of the Peace

My commission expires april 30, 1928

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service	$1020 p.a.	South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.
Former [5] TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT		

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

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District

New Orleans, La. (Address), June 3, 1927 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 16, 1927 (Date)

CARDED

E. S. Lamplier
(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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Form A-30

NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

May 2, 1927.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Ten Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum

effective May 16, 1927, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty, and to continue for a period not to exceed ninety days.

Nature of appointment: Temporary.

Civil Service authority: Secretary, Tenth Civil Service District.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 10 1927 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Chief of Appointment Division.

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Appropriation (unit): Field.

Vice: New position.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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LIGHTHOUSES
1927 MAY 5 PM 12 08

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.) May 2 (Date.) 1927

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

Name, Richard A. Buras

Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Salary, $1020 p.a. (Rge: $1020-$1380 p.a)

Location, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.

Appropriation, ~~Sals. L.H. Keepers~~

Effective May 16, 1927 { ~~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, - - - Rating, - - - Percentage, - - - , Other eligibles considered:

Previous incumbent, ~~Neal Patton~~ *New Position

Services terminated, ~~March 20, 1927~~

APPOINTMENT NOT NECESSARY ACTION IAW DEPARTMENT OF MAY 9 1927

Reason, On leave without pay.

Members of family in Government Service, NONE
DATE OF BIRTH: November 3, 1883
Remarks: The above position was* authorized by Department authority dated April 12, 1927. To allow Patton Hospital treatment.

Selection regular, ~~subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission~~, MAY 3 - 1927, 19

Secretary, TENTH Civil Service District.

E. S. Lamphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses

TEMPORARY JOB EMPLOYMENT
ABSENCE REGISTER 90 DAYS

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

May 5, 1927

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

APPROVED:

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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

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Form A-32

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

April 9, 1929.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES
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Sir:

The Department has accepted without prejudice, your resignation from the position designated below, effective at the close of business on April 10, 1929.

Bureau ..... Lighthouses

Position ..... Keeper

Allocation .....

Salary ..... $1140 per annum

Station ..... South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Louisiana.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

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April 16, 1929

Richard A. Buras,
Port Eads,
Louisiana

Sir:

1. Inclosed herewith is Department letter of April 9, 1929, advising that your resignation from the position of Keeper in the Lighthouse Service, with pay at the rate of $1140 per annum, has been accepted, effective at the close of business on April 10, 1929.

2. Also inclosed is check in the amount of $31.67 in payment of salary due you for the period April 1 to April 10.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses

Clerk draws
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Form 93
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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR ~~DEATH~~

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., March 27, 1929

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Richard A. Buras — Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Legal residence, Louisiana — Station, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.

Salary, $1140 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of April 10, 1929

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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass Range Rear Light Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 25, 1929

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans La.

Dear Sir

Please except my resnation to take

afect April 10, 1928

Respectfully

(Signed) R. A. Buras, 2 Asst Keeper

Andrew Jackson, Jr.
1st Asst.Keeper in charge

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March 27, 1929

R. A. Burns, Second Asst.Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.
(Through the First Asst.Keeper in Charge)

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your resignation, dated March 25, 1929, and you are advised that it is being forwarded to the Bureau of Lighthouse this date with recommendation for its acceptance.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy for information of Andrew Jackson, Jr., First Asst.Keeper in Charge, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Port Eads, La.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

SIGNED] LANPHIER

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

NIGHT LETTER

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(POSTAL)

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

New Orleans La March 27 1929

Lighthouse Commissioner
Washington

Cancel nomination Form seventy three March thirteenth Richard A Buras increase in compensation and accompanying letter Buras has resigned

LANPHIER

Reason, - - -

Members of family in Government service, NONE

Date of birth, November 3, 1883

Remarks: See accompanying letter, and Bureau authority of March 8, 1929.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. A. M.

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Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

Assistant Superintendent

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City) March 13 (Date), 1929

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation and range

Name, Richard A. Bures

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Location, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

Effective, April 1, 1929

Legal residence, Louisiana

Proposed salary, $1380 p.a.

Proposed range, $1380-$1680 p.a.

Appropriation, Sals. L.H.Keepers

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

Former position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Location, South Pass Range Rear Light Sta., La.

Former salary, $1140 p.a.

Former range, $1140-$1140 p.a.

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

Previous incumbent, Self

Services not to be terminated,

Reason, - - -

Members of family in Government service, NONE

Date of birth, November 3, 1883

Remarks: See accompanying letter, and Bureau authority of March 8, 1929.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. H. M. 13

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Assistant Superintendent

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

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: $1020

To: $1140

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Original
Sent 8/4/28

Revoked
8/23/28

Standard Form No. 17
Approved by the President, March 26, 1926

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REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE

This report to be made at expiration of fifth month of service. In cases where the probationary period comprises one year, this report is to be made at the expiration of the tenth month of service.

If service has been unsatisfactory, recommendation for discontinuance under the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 1 of Civil Service Rule VII should be forwarded immediately to the Department. A full statement of reasons should be set forth under "Remarks."

Commerce
(Department)

Office of Supt., 8th Lighthouse District, New Orleans, La. November 5, 1928
(Bureau or office) (Place and date)

To Commissioner of Lighthouses
(Head of department or establishment)

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on December 19, 1928.

The conduct and capacity of this employee have been satisfactory during the probationary period, and (he) (she) is considered qualified for absolute appointment.

Name Richard A. Buras

Position Second Asst.Keeper, in the Lighthouse Service

Salary $1020 per annum

Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Station South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

Date of entrance on duty June 20, 1928

Remarks:

(Sgd.) L. Buras Keeper
(Signature of immediate superior)

Submitted:

E. J. K.
(Head of bureau or office)
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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Encl.

July 13, 1928

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Referring to the probationary appointment of Richard A. Buras as Second Assistant Keeper at South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.:

2. Enclosed you will find a form on which report is to be made by you in connection with the probationary services of Mr. Buras. If his services have been satisfactory in every respect, the report should be mailed to this office on November 5, 1928. In this case all you need do is sign the form where indicated in pencil.

3. If at any time it should appear that he is not capable of performing his duties, or does not perform them properly, you will submit the report immediately without waiting for the date stated above. In this case you will insert the word "not" in the blank space before the words "been satisfactory" in the second paragraph, and the word "not" in the blank space before the word "Considered" in the following line, stating the reasons under remarks.

4. You will see that Mr. Buras takes the necessary steps to secure the regulation uniform (blue cloth suit and cap, and white seaman uniform for working), and report if he does not do so.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

FORM 206 FILE No. 8

LEC

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 ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Supt.of Lighthouses, 8th DISTRICT,

PLACE, New Orleans, La.

DATE, July 13, 1928

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

New Orleans, La.

SIR:

Please examine Richard A. Buras, 2nd Asst.Keeper, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

nativity, American; age, 44; height, 5 feet, 10½ inches;

weight, 170 pounds; color of hair, Black; color of eyes, Brown

distinguishing marks, none

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,

Superintendent of Lighthouses ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~.

(Signature of applicant:) (Signed) Richard A. Buras

(To be signed in the presence of the officer issuing this blank or witnessed by a designated employee of the Lighthouse Service.) (Signature of witness): (Sgd.) L. Buras Keeper

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, New Orleans Quarantine Station, Pilot Town, La.

DATE, 7/25, 1928

To LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of Richard A. Buras, 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.

(Signed) L. G. Miller

A.A. *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, New Orleans Quarantine Sta.

DATE, 7/25, 1928

Name of applicant, Richard A. Buras

Eyes: Color, Brown; exophthalmus, no

chronic inflammation, no; other abnormality, no

Eyelids: Ptosis, no; condition of conjunctiva on eversion, good

other conditions,

Eyesight:

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

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

Is applicant partially or wholly color-blind? no

If color-blind, state which color he confuses

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

Ears:

Abnormalities, no; shape, normal

Position, normal; condition of drums normal

Evidence of mastoid disease, no

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

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

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

Lungs: neg

Heart: neg

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:

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Reasons for certification of disqualification: .....

PLACE FOR SEAL OF THE U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

(Signature of applicant:) (Signed) Richard A. Buras

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

11—5999

LEC
Incl.

August 1, 1928

L. Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Inclosed herewith is record of physical examination of Richard A. Buras, Second Assistant Keeper, to be retained by him in connection with medical relief by the Public Health Service. A copy has been made for the files of this office.

E. S. LAMPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

LEC
Incl.

July 27, 1928

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Referring to the attached record of physical examination in the case of Richard A Buras, Second Assistant Keeper, it is noted that you did not sign as a witness to his signature. You will sign this form in the place indicated and return same to this office without delay.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
July 13, 1926

R. A. Buras, Second Asst.Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.
(Through the Keeper)

Inclosed is a copy of Form 206, "Record of Physical Examination of Light Keeper or Assistant Light Keeper," with application thereon for your examination by an officer of the U.S. Public Health Service.

You are informed that all light keepers and assistants light keepers are required to be examined by the Public Health Service before they become entitled to medical relief without charge at hospitals and stations of the Public Health Service. The examination is also required to determine the employee's physical fitness for the Lighthouse Service.

You are directed to have yourself examined by the most convenient Public Health Service official at first opportunity. Reply to this letter at once, stating when and where you will be examined, and submit request on the proper form for the necessary leave of absence from the station.

Before presenting the application to the doctor, it must be completed by filling in the information in regard to color of hair, color of eyes, and distinguishing marks. You must also sign it where designated "Signature of applicant" and have the Keeper witness your signature. All expense of travel in connection with the examination must be paid by you.

The following is a list showing locations of the Public Health Service Officers.

Apalachicola, Fla.	Call upon Collector of Customs for information.
Pensacola, Fla.	Public Health Service Office.
Mobile, Ala.	U.S. Marine Hospital.
Gulfport, Miss.	Public Health Service Office.
Port Arthur, Tex.	do do
Galveston, Tex.	do do
Port Aransas, Tex.	do do
New Orleans, La.	U.S. Marine Hospital (Office in Custom House)

Return Record of Examination to this office promptly.

Copy for information of
Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

E. S. Lanphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Form A-30

NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 15 1928
NEW ORLEANS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 12, 1928.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES
1928 JUN 15 AM 10:45

Sir:

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

~~Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

at a salary of ~~One Thousand and Twenty~~ dollars per ~~annum~~

effective upon entrance on duty.

Nature of appointment: Probationary.

Civil Service authority: Acting Secretary, Tenth Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,
Chief of Appointment Division.

H
S Acting

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Appropriation (unit): Field.

Vice: Dallas J. Silvy.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

Boarded 7/18/28

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Form 111
LEC

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Richard A. Byras

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.

☞

(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 28th day of June, A. D. 1928

(Affix official seal here)

S(SEAL OF THE CLERK)
E(OF THE PARISH OF)
A(PLAQUEMINES, STATE)
L)OF LOUISIANA)

[4] (*Name*) (Signed) Frank J. Lobrano

(*Official title*) Clerk of Court & Notary Public

My commission expires June 1, 1932

OFFICIAL TITLE	RATE OF PAY	NAME OF STATION, VESSEL, OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service	$1020 p.a.	South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.
Former [5] PROBATIONAL APPOINTMENT		

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

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address), July 2, 1928 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on June 20, 1928 (Date)

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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STANDARD FORM No. 6
(Approved by the President March 28, 1924)

PERSONAL HISTORY

(Statement to be prepared by appointee in his own handwriting)

Bureau, division, or office 8th U. S. Lighthouse District (South Pass Range Rear Light Station)

1. Name in full Richard Andrew Buras

2. Legal (voting) residence Louisiana, 1st (State and Congressional District) Plaquemines (County) Port Eads (City or town)

3. Where born? Louisiana (State or foreign country) Pointe-a-la-Hache (City or town) When born? Nov. 13, 1883 (Date)

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien

5. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus: √

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)		
Male	Female	Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	White	Colored	
√			√			√		

6. A complete record of your past civil service for the United States Government:

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
Don't remember all dates, but served in the Govt. Service Lighthouse and Engineer Dept. Both on and off from 1902 to 1928, a total of about 15 years.								

7. Military and naval record. If any, check (√) to indicate branch and other information and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War Veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary
√							

Enlisted ____ Discharged ____ Enlisted ____ Discharged ____

Organization ____ Organization ____

8. EDUCATION (Circle number of years)

Common school								High school				College				Degrees, if any
1	2	3	(4)	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	

9. State special qualifications Engineer on steam and gas engines.

10. Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency:

Mrs. Richard A. Buras (Name) Wife (Relationship)

Port Eads, La. (Post office address)

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

(Signed) Richard A. Buras

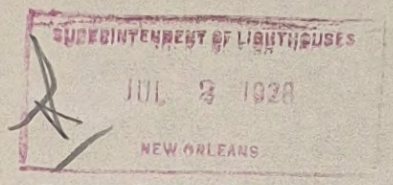
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

June 30, 1928 (Date) Present address Port Eads, La.

10—1659 GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass Range Rear L. sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Port Eads, La. June 30th, 1928

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
New Orleans, La.
Sir

This is to report that R. A. Burns Second asst Keeper. has sent in his oath of office since June 28th 1928.

Respectfully
L. Burns.
Keeper.

Form 124b—Field
Jan., 1924.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

U.S. Lighthouse Service
(Branch of service or department.)

Port Eads, La., ,
(Name of city.) (State.)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 29 1928
NEW ORLEANS

Date June 27 1928

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 place of birth Point a la hache La Date of birth nov 13 1883 (Month, day, and year.)
2. What examination did you take? for light house keeper
3. Give place and date of examination Port Eads La - July 1927
4. To what position have you been offered appointment or actually appointed? offered Spit Shoals
5. Are any members of your family or relatives (either blood or by marriage) in the U. S. Government Service? Answer "yes" or "no" yes If so, fill in the following blanks. If additional space is necessary use back of this sheet.

Name.	Post-office address. (Give street No., if any.)	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
Burns Thomas	Port Eads La	Position Fireman Department or office Engr.	Bro	Married
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

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

7. What is your present address (including street and number, city, and State)? Port Eads La How long have you resided at your present address? about 6 years

8. Will you inform yourself of and observe the provisions of the civil service law and rules and Executive orders concerning political activity, political coercion, political assessments, use of influence to secure promotion, etc., as quoted on the attached form? yes

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

Richard a Burns
(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? no If so, is it a correct likeness of the person who executed this form?

L. Burns
(Signature.)

Keeper
(Official title.)

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

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

LEC

June 28, 1928

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La

1. Referring to the appointment of R. A. Buras to the position of Second Assistant Keeper at South Pass Range Rear Light Station, this office, under date of June 18, 1928, sent him an oath of office for execution but it has not come to hand as yet.

2. You will see that Mr. Buras executes his oath properly and that it is forwarded immediately to the office as no pay can be sent him until the oath is received properly executed.

3. There is inclosed a Personal History sheet which you will have R. A. Buras fill out in his own handwriting and forward to the office without delay.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Chief Clerk

LEC
Incl.

June 18, 1928

Richard A. Buras,
Port Eads, La.

Sir:

1. You are advised that the Department has approved your appointment as Second Assistant Keeper at South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La., with pay at the rate of $1020 per annum.

2. You may report to Mr. Louis Buras, Keeper, immediately after the receipt of this letter.

3. You will find inclosed an oath of office which you will execute before a Notary or other person authorized to administer oaths. RETURN THE OATH WITHOUT DELAY AS NO PAY CAN BE SENT YOU UNDER THIS APPOINTMENT UNTIL THE OATH IS RECEIVED PROPERLY EXECUTED.. Inclosed also is a Form 124b which must be filled out by you and returned to this office.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

(Signed) F. A. Muth
Assistant Superintendent

Copy for information of Louis Buras, Keeper, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Port Eads, La. Hand the inclosed letter of appointment to Mr. Richard Buras when he reports for duty.

Advise this office the exact time of his arrival at the station.

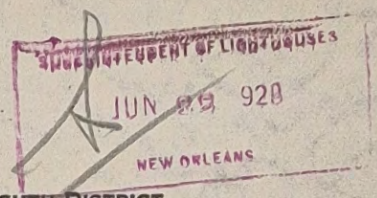
For and in the absence of the Superintendent

F. A. M.

Assistant Superintendent

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Bar Pass Range Rear L. S.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

June 20th, 1928

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

1. For your information it is stated that R. A. Buras entered on duty as Second Assistant Keeper at this station at 2.00 AM this date, June 20th, 1928.

Respectfully,
L. Buras,
Keeper.

LEC

June 5, 1925

Richard A. Buras,
Port Eads,
Louisiana

Sir:

1. You have this day been selected and nominated for the position of Second Assistant Keeper at South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La., with pay at the rate of $1020.

2. You will be further advised when to report for duty to the Keeper of the above station.

Respectfully,

(Signed) E. S. Lanphier

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy for information of Louis Buras, Keeper, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Port Eads, La.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.) June 6 (Date.), 1928

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probational appointment

Name, Richard A. Burns

Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Salary, $1020 p.a.($1020-$1380 p.a.)

Location, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.

Appropriation, Sals.L.H.Keepers

Effective June 16, 1928 { 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.L.H. Keeper Percentage, 86, Other eligibles considered: Guy H. Wynn,C; John B. Gunn,C.

Previous incumbent, Dallas J. Silvy

Services terminated, June 3, 1928

Reason, Transferred to Pass Manchac Light Station, La.

Members of family in Government Service, None

DATE OF BIRTH: November 13, 1883

Remarks: Mr. Burns has served in a temporary capacity as Asst.Keeper at this station during the period May 16, 1927, to October 15, 1927. There are no keepers in the service desiring transfer to this station.

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

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Superintendent of Lighthouses /3

Secretary, Civil Service District.

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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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 8 1928
NEW ORLEANS

Port Eads, La.
June 6th 1928.

Mr. E. S. Lanphier.
Supt. of Lt. Houses, 8th Dist.
New Orleans, La.

Sir:-

Replying to your Letter of June 2nd inst. regarding the position of Second Asst. Keeper at South Pass Range Rear Lt. Station.

I gladly advise that I faithfully accept this position and will report for duty as soon as I am notified by your office to do so.

Yours Respectfully
Richard A Burns

P.S. -- This letter is not written in my own handwritting owing to a sore hand. But guarantee my signature, to be original.

LMC

June 2, 1928

Richard A. Buras,
Port Eads,
Louisiana

Sir:

1. You are being considered for the position of Second Assistant Keeper at South Pass Range Rear Light Station, and you are requested to advise this office whether you would accept this position, the pay of which is $1020 per annum. Please forward your reply by return mail.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 3 1928
NEW ORLEANS

EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass Range Rear L. sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Port Eads, La. May 31st, 1928

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
New Orleans. La.
Sir.

In Regards to your letter of May. 29th 1928. Richard A. Burns is no relation of mine. And as for his being satisfactory for an asst Keeper. there could be none better for he is a first class man. and has had experience at this light

Respectfully
L. Burns.
Keeper.

RSL:RBO

May 29, 1928

Louis A. Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Richard A. Buras is on the eligible list for the position of Assistant Keeper. Report to this office whether Buras is a relative of yours and, if so, what is the relationship. Advise whether or not, in your opinion, he would make a satisfactory keeper.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

LEC

MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

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

Name of employee Richard A. Buras

Designation Keeper in the Lighthouse Service, Temporary *Compensation* $1020 p.a.

Place of employment South Pass Range Rear Light Station, La.

Last day served October 15, 1927

Copy for information of
Sect., 10th Civil Service Dist.,
Customhouse Bldg., New Orleans, La.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

F. [illegible]

Assistant Superintendent

(*Official title.*)

Date October 19, 1927

8th U.S. Lighthouse District

(*Bureau or service.*)

11—2876

Received 11/9/27

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 17 1927
NEW ORLEANS

EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass Range Rear L. Stn.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Port Eads. Octoter. 16th, 1927

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
New Orleans. La.

Sir

This is to Report that W. A. Jackson. Second Asst. Keper returned to dutty on October 11th 1927. at. 2. am. And I discontinued the Service of R. A. Burns. Tempary asst Keper on Octoter. 15th 1927. at. 5. Pm.

Sir.

While burning paint on gyral boat. last Week my blow torch got the handl baken. And I Cannot fix it I think it could be fixed at the Mobile Depot. let me know if I Can send it there.

I Remain Respectfully
L. Burnoxi
Keper.

EDC.

October 10, 1927

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. This office is in receipt of a letter from R. A. Buras, Temporary Asst. Keeper, stating that he wishes to resign at the close of October 15th.

2. Inasmuch as N. A. Jackson, Second Assistant Keeper, will return to duty on October 14th, and you will so inform him, it will be satisfactory to discontinue the services of R. A. Buras at the close of October 15th advising this office of your action in the matter; also stating the date of return to duty of N. A. Jackson.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Chief Clerk

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 10 1927
NEW ORLEANS

Port Eads La
Oct 8th 1927

Mr E.S Sanspher
Supt of Light Houses
8th Dist New Orleans

Sir

I wish to tender in my resignation as temparary keeper at South Pass Range Rear Light station to take Effect on the 15th of October 1927 My sole reason for taking this steps is that I am now offered a good paying job and as there is no Hems yet as to wheter I shell

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ever be made a
Permanent keeper in the
U. S. light house service
I would rather take this
offer than to miss it
and perhaps later on be
discharged from the service
which would leave me
altogether out of a job
trusting to be favored
with Your Valuable Reply
I am Yours Respectfully

Richard A. Burns.

LIGHTHOUSES

1927 AUG 16 AM 10 50

August 15, 1927.

Superintendent of Lighthouses
AUG 19 1927
New Orleans

Mr. Richard A. Buras,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department has extended the temporary limitation on your appointment as Keeper at $1020 per annum in the Eighth Lighthouse District for a period not to exceed 90 days, effective beginning August 13, 1927.

No new appointment will be issued as a result of this extension and an Oath of Office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

A:RM

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AUG 17 1927

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

Loaded 9/3/27

LEC
Encl.

August 19, 1927

R. A. Buras, Temp. Asst.Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.
(Through the Keeper)

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter of August 15, 1927, advising that the temporary limitation on your appointment as Keeper at $1020 per annum has been extended for a period not to exceed 90 days, effective beginning August 13, 1927.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

(Signed) W. J. Braun, Jr.

Chief Clerk

Copy to Louis Buras, Keeper, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Port Eads, La., for his information.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Chief Clerk

Form 73
L&S

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.), August 3 (Date.), 19 27

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Extension of temporary appointment for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

Name, Richard A. Buras — Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service — Salary, $1020 p.a.(Rge:$1020-$1380 p.a.)

Location, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La. — Appropriation, Sals.L.H.Keeper

Effective August 16, 1927 { ' 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, - - - Rating, - - - Percentage, - - - , Other eligibles considered:

Previous incumbent, Neal Patton — Services terminated, March 20, 1927

Reason, On leave without pay

Members of family in Government Service, NONE

DATE OF BIRTH: November 3, 1883.

Remarks: The above employee entered on duty on May 16, 1927, under Department appointment of May 2, 1927. The period of this appointment expires at the close of August 15, 1927, hence this nomination. Neal Patton, the permanent incumbent of this position is still on leave without pay and it is not known definitely when he will return to duty.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

Secretary, Civil Service District. — Chief Clerk

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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May 2, 1927.

Mr. Richard A. Buras,

LIGHTHOUSES
1927 MAY 10 AM 10 43

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Ten Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum

effective May 16, 1927, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty, and to continue for a period not to exceed ninety days.

Nature of appointment: Temporary.

Civil Service authority: Secretary, Tenth Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CHESTER CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation (unit): Field.

Vice: New position.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Richard A. Buras

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) Richard A. Buras
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 31st day of May, A. D. 1927

(Affix official seal here)
S (GEORGE W. DELESDERNIER)
E (JUSTICE OF THE PEACE)
A (IN AND FOR THE 4th WARD)
L (OF THE PARISH OF)
(PLAQUEMINES)

[4] (*Name*) (Signed) George W. Delesdernier

(*Official title*) Justice of the Peace

My commission expires April 30, 1928

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service	$1020 p.a.	South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.
Former [5] TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT		

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

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address), June 3, 1927 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 16, 1927 (Date)

E. J. K.

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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STANDARD FORM No. 6
(Approved by the President March 28, 1924)

PERSONAL HISTORY

(Statement to be prepared by appointee in his own handwriting)

Bureau, division, or office 8th U. S. Lighthouse District (South Pass Range Rear L.S.)

1. Name in full Richard Andrew Buras

2. Legal (voting) residence Louisiana, 1st (State and Congressional District) Plaquemines (County) Port Eads (City or town)

3. Where born? Louisiana (State or foreign country) Pointe-a-la-Hache (City or town) When born? Nov. 3, 1883 (Date)

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien

5. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus: √

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)	
Male /	Female	Single	Married /	Divorced	Widowed	White /	Colored

6. A complete record of your past civil service for the United States Government:

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
U.S. Engineer Dept.	Laborer Engine man	$2.75 da $100 mo.	June	8	1925	Nov.	9	1926

Military and naval record. If any, check (√) to indicate branch and other information and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None /	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War Veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary

Enlisted ..... Discharged .....

Organization .....

Enlisted ..... Discharged .....

Organization .....

8. EDUCATION (Circle number of years)

Common school	High school	College	Degrees, if any
1 2 3 (4) 5 6 7 8	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	

9. State special qualifications I have worked on steam engines for 7 years

10. Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency:

Mrs. Mary R. Buras (Name) Wife (Relationship)

Port Eads, La. (Post office address)

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

(Signed) Richard A. Buras
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

April 21st, 1927 (Date) Present address Port Eads, La.

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Encl.

May 27, 1927

Richard A. Buras, Temp.Asst.Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.
(Through the Keeper)

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter of May 2, 1927, advising that you have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of $1020 per annum, effective May 16, 1927, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty, and to continue for a period not to exceed ninety days.

2. Also inclosed is an oath of office to which you will subscribe before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths.

3. NO PAY CAN BE SENT YOU UNDER THIS APPOINTMENT UNTIL THE OATH OF OFFICE, PROPERLY EXECUTED, IS RETURNED TO THIS OFFICE.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy to Louis Buras, Keeper, South Pass Range Rear Light Station, Port Eads, La., for his information. See that R. A. Buras has his oath properly prepared, and return same to the office without delay, in order that he may be paid for May.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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May 18, 1927

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. You are directed to advise this office whether the services of R. A. Buras were discontinued upon the return to the station of Neal Patton. State the date his services discontinued.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAY 9 1927
NEW ORLEANS

EIGHTH DISTRICT

South Pass Range Rear L. Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May. 5th, 1927

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
New Orleans. La.

Sir.

This is to report that I put Richard R. Burns. to work. this 5th day. of May at 8. Am. 1927.

I Remain Respectfully
L. Burns.
Keeper.

Form 13
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La. (City.) May 2 (Date.), 1927

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

Name, Richard A. Buras

Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Salary, $1020 p.a.(Rge:$1020-$1350 p.a)

Location, South Pass Range Rear L.S., La.

Appropriation, Sals.L.H.Keepers

Effective May 16, 1927 { 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, - - - Rating, - - - Percentage, - - - , Other eligibles considered:

Previous incumbent, Neal Patton

Services terminated, March 20, 1927

Reason, On leave without pay.

Members of family in Government Service, NONE

DATE OF BIRTH: November 3, 1883

Remarks: The above position was authorized by Department authority dated April 12, 1927.

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

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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May 2, 1927

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

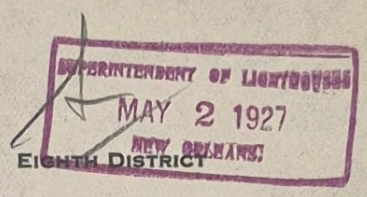
1. Replying to your letter of April 27th, you are directed to place Richard A. Buras on duty as Laborer.

2. Nomination in his case is being forwarded the Bureau this day and when his appointment is received he will be considered a Temporary Assistant Keeper.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



So. Pass Range Rear L. S.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

April 27th, 192 7

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

1. Referring to letter of April 25th, relative to Personal History sheet forwarded to Office for Richard Andrew Buras, to be employed at this station temporarily during the absence of Neal Patton, 1st Assistant Keeper, who is now in the Marine Hospital at New Orleans.

2. Richard Andrew Buras has not been placed on duty at this station. In accordance with letter of April 18th, it was understood that the Personal History sheet should be filled out and submitted to the Office, afterwhich the applicant would be nominated and I would then be authorized to place him on duty.

3. Please advise if it is desired that I place the man on duty immediately.

Respectfully,
L. Buras.
Keeper.

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April 25, 1927

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Referring to the Personal History sheet which you forwarded for Richard Andrew Buras, you are directed to advise this office whether you have placed this man on duty and what was the effective date of his entrance on duty. This information should have accompanied the Personal History sheet.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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April 18, 1927

Louis Buras, Keeper,
South Pass Range Rear Light Station,
Port Eads, La.

1. Upon the recommendation of this office, the Bureau has authorized an additional keeper at your station during the absence of Neal Patton (for a period not to exceed 90 days). Do you know of anyone in the vicinity of Port Eads who will accept an appointment as temporary keeper in this position, the pay of which is $1020 per annum? If so, have him fill out the inclosed Personal History sheet in his own handwriting and mail to this office without delay. He will then be nominated and, as soon as his appointment is received from Washington, you will be authorized to place him on duty.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses