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Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Burns, Andrew	4563213
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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
Durabb, Maurice		1881 LA

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: 1921 LA

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

Other Identifying Information (Parent's Names, CSC Number, etc.)
Name also given as Joseph Maurice Durabb

Researcher Signature: Andrew B Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (LA)	From: 1914	To: 1919
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:

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

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STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Maurice Durabb

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Maurice Durabb

Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SPECIAL

LIGHT APR 27 1914 HOUSES

5-13-1914-appointment effective as of April 28, 1914 per circular letter of 4-30-14 Sec 8

SPECIAL

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 25, 1914
(City.) (Date.)

APR 26 1914 NINTH UNITED STATES LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Maurice Durabb — Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. — Salary, $456 per annum.

Location, Southwest Reef Light Station, La. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1914.

Effective April 28, 1914 — [1] ~~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, Second Assistant Rating, Keeper Percentage, 84.2, Other eligibles considered: Harvey H. Holdeman, D.; William Murray, F.R.; Joshua Dykes, C.; and Edward W. Peake, C.

Previous incumbent, ✓ John Clark — Services terminated, April 17, 1914.

Reason, Services discontinued during probationary period on account of being unsatisfactory.

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: Maurice Durabb has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. Quarters are not provided at Ship Shoal Light Station for families of Keepers. Telegraphic notification requested upon issuance of appointment.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. April 25, 1914

E. H. Fleming
Secretary, 10 Civil Service District.

Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 27 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

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

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Washington D C April 30 4

Lighthouse Inspector New Orleans Louisiana

Durobb appointed second assistant keeper Southwest reef effective today or entrance hereafter

Putnam

Commissioner

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Today's Journal

Card Key - J. 41 30/14 4.40 Jca TSC

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LIGHT
MAY19 1914
HOUSES

Dep. Commr,
Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.

Examiner,
~~Personnel~~
Accounts.
Contracts,
Chf. Clk.
Commr.

May 16, 1914.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 13th instant, the Department has canceled its order whereby Maurice Durabb would have been given a probationary appointment as second assistant keeper of Southwest Reef Light Station, Louisiana, at $456 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) T. J. FITZGERALD

Acting Chief Clerk.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAY 20 1914

To Lighthouse Inspector New Orleans La.,
for files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

Chief Clerk.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

TJC-WB

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT

RECEIVED JUL 29 1914 TENTH UNITED STATES LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT

New Orleans, La., July 28, 1914.
(City.) (Date.)

RECEIVED JUL 31 1914 LIGHT-HOUSES

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Maurice Durabb — Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Second Assistant Keeper in the Light-house Service. — Salary, $456 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, La. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1915.

Effective August 16, 1914 { ~~the actual date of entrance on duty, or~~ as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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

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

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

LIGHT HOUSES AUG 5 1914

August 3, 1914.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars

per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. ****, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

E D Aug 19, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

M Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice: Arthur J. Garland.
Legal Residence: Louisiana.

AUG 5 1914 11—1394

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
MAY 3 1915
HOUSES

TJC-MCC

Hydrog
Engr. Cons
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Gen. Clk.
Examr.
Commr.

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

May 1, 1915.

Maurice Durabb, 2.A.K.,
Chandeleur L.S., La.

5-4-15 Tel &
6-4-15 Call up letter
sent 8th

8th did suspend min eff last day of service Dept a.o. May 3

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. I have to report that Maurice Durabb, Second Assistant Keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, has been arrested and charged with the murder of his wife on the night of April 17, 1915. He was on leave of absence at the time.

2. Durabb is being held under an affidavit for murder pending the meeting of the Grand Jury on May 6th. The Sheriff advises that in all probability a true bill will be found in his case and that the trial will then be set for May 29th.

3. Under the circumstances, this office will proceed with filling the position temporarily, pending the outcome of the matter, and nomination will shortly be forwarded and selection made, if practicable, from the Eligible Register.

Reached Dept 11.15 a.m 5/4/15

Inspector.

HRW-McC.

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May 4, 1915.

Subject: 8th Inspector's letter May 1, 1915, Maurice Durabb, second asst. keeper, Chandeleur L. S., suspension.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information, and with statement that the Bureau has directed the Inspector to initiate the suspension of Durabb. Inclosed is copy of Bureau telegram of today to the Eighth Inspector. Upon receipt of the reply of the Inspector to that telegram, the Bureau will make further report and recommendation to the Department in regard to the suspension. Approval of the action so far taken by the Bureau is recommended.

In view of the extreme isolation of this station, it is further recommended that the temporary additional position of second assistant keeper, at $456 per annum, be authorized for this station, for a period not to exceed three months, effective on the date the person to be appointed thereto enters on duty, pending disposition of the case against Durabb by the civil authorities.

In view of the necessity for the services of three keepers at this station, it is recommended that authority be granted to assign a suitable person to duty in the temporary position recommended, provided he has not two or more members of his family in the Government service and the local district secretary approves, with the understanding that proper nomination will be submitted to the Department at a later date, at which time the usual appointment may be issued.

Recommended

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Recom in view of meager details given by Insp as to date arrest, etc. Duties will eventually be carried out. HAWS

Acting Commissioner

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.

MAY 4 1915

To Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.

for his information, guidance, and files of office. See Bureau telegram of today.

Acting Commissioner.

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HAWS

HRW-McC

Washington D C May 4 1915

Lighthouse Inspector New Orleans Louisiana

Suspend Durabb effective close date arrest unless reasons contrary Regulations three ninety six Report Bureau

Putnam

Commissioner

Suggest. Bur. cannot fix date in information given & dept. shd have date before writing letter of suspension.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

MAY 4 1915

To Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans La.
for his information, guidance, and files of office. See Bur telegram of to day.

Acting Commissioner.

JRC

Last telg of May 4/15
4:06 pm

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5-10-15- Copy to 8th

LIGHT
MAY 6 1915
HOUSES

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comsnr.
Comsnr.

May 5, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Bureau's communication of the 4th instant, with enclosures, relative to the arrest of Maurice Durabb, second assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, and, in view of the circumstances in the case, has approved the action of the Bureau in directing the Inspector to initiate the suspension of Mr. Durabb pending the disposition of his case.

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation, the Department has also authorized the temporary additional position of second assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, at $456 per annum, for a period not to exceed three months, effective on the date the person to be appointed thereto enters on duty. Authority has been granted for the selection and assignment of a properly qualified person to duty in the temporary position mentioned, provided the person selected has not two or more members of his family in the Government service and the local district secretary approves, with the understanding that proper nomination for appointment will be submitted to the Department at a later date.

Order Pass

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Hydro.
Engr. C.
Mar. Ent.
Personnel
Accounts
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comm'r.
Comm'r.

LIGHT HOUSES MAY 7 1915

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

May 5, 1915.

Maurice Durabb,
Suspension of

Suspend him anyway
JC May 7th

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Bureau's telegram of the 4th instant, Maurice Durabb, Second Assistant Keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, has this day been suspended from duty, effective at the close of April 18th, being the date of his arrest, charged with murder of his wife.

2. This action was not taken sooner, as the evidence so far has been of a circumstantial nature and it was thought desirable to await further developments in his case, he having not yet been indicted by the Grand Jury. In this connection, the Bureau's attention is invited to the case of Engvald T. Eriksen, Second Assistant Keeper of Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas, who was arrested on February 15, 1913, charged with assault to murder his wife and who was first separated from the Service without prejudice and afterwards reinstated.

3. In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Conway

Chief Clerk.

HRW-McC.

May 10, 1915.

Subject: 8th Inspector's letter, May 5, 1915, Maurice Durabb, 2d asst. keeper, Chandeleur L. S., suspension.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommending that the Department suspend Durabb, effective at the close of April 18, 1915, for a period not to exceed ninety days, pending disposition of his case. Such further report and recommendation as may be necessary will be made inthis case at a later date. Attention is invited to Department letter of May 5, 1915, in this case.

One inclosure.
HRW-McC.

Bureau of Lighthouses, May 10, 1915.

Referred to Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La., for his information, guidance, and files. Inclosed is Department letter of May 5, 1915. See Bureau telegram of May 6, 1915, authorizing the assignment of Coludrovich to duty.

Acting Commissioner

On C.C's desk with letter as useless words in telegram

LIGHT
MAY 15 1915
HOUSES

May 13, 1915.

Sir:

In view of your arrest on a criminal charge, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has suspended you from duty and pay for a period not to exceed 90 days, effective at the close of April 18, 1915, pending the disposition of your case.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

C-R

MAY 15 1915

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSES JUN 17 1915

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, JUN 9 1915, 8th DIST., N. O., LA.

Subject: Maurice Durabb, 2 A. K., Chandeleur L.S., charges.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
June 4, 1915.

Lighthouse Inspector.....New.Orleans,..La.....
Nothing has been received from you in reference to further report case of Maurice Durabb, 2d asst. keeper, Chandeleur L. S.,La. See your letter of May 1,1915, stating that in all probability a true bill would be found in his case and that his trial would be set for May 29th.

Hydrog.
Engr. Corps
Mar. Engr
Personnel
Accounts
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Inspector

TJC-MCC

Office of Inspector, Eighth District,
New Orleans, La., June 15, 1915.

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses.

2. The Sheriff of Plaquemine Parish, La., has just informed this office that the case of Maurice Durabb is fixed for trial by jury for the 21st of this month, a special jury having been impaneled to try his case. The Bureau will be advised as to the outcome of same.

3. In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Conway.
Chief Clerk.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUN 30 1915
PHONE

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Hydrog.
Engr. Com.
Mar. Engr
Personnel
Accounts
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Supply
Examr.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
June 28, 1915.

Maurice Durabb, charges.

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Referring to Bureau's letter of the 4th instant, and to previous correspondence on the subject, I have to report that Maurice Durabb was acquitted of the charge against him by a jury on the 23rd instant.

2. Under the circumstances, it is recommended that Durabb, who is now under suspension, be restored to duty as Second Assistant Keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana. Prompt action is desired, in order that Steven Coludrovich can be relieved before July 12th, his temporary appointment expiring on that date.

Sorry

Inspector.

MCC.

Bureau of Lighthouses,
July 1, 1915.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommending that Durabb be restored to duty and pay, effective July 1, 1915, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Attention is invited to Department letter of May 13, 1915, suspending Durabb from duty and pay, pending disposition of his case.

The Eighth Inspector will be directed to discontinue the services of Steven Coludrovich as additional second assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, assigned to duty at the Chandeleur Light Station, La., prior to the date that Durabb is restored to duty, and form 213b will be submitted in Coludsovich's case showing his last day of service.

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Washington, D. C., July 3, 1915

Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Durabb restoration duty Chandeleur authorized
Discontinue services Colndrovich

Conway
Putnam

Acting Commissioner.

JRC

Sent Dept. 12:40 P.M.
J.L.B.
7/3/15.

Approved by acting Secy

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES AUG 7 1915

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Hydrog.
Engr. Corps.
Mar. Engr.
Accounts.
Contracts
Dep. Comsr.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
August 5, 1915.

Maurice Durabb,
Restoration to duty.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Bureau letter of the 2d instant:

2. I have to report that Maurice Durabb was restored to duty and pay as second assistant keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, La., effective July 13, 1915.

Inspector.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
AUG 7 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information. See Sept. letter of May 13, 1915, suspending Durabb.

Acting Commissioner.

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8-2-15 Wrote 8th.

July 5, 1915.

Sir:

In view of a report from the Eighth Inspector to the effect that you were acquitted of the charges which led to your suspension at the close of April 18, 1915, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has authorized your restoration to duty and pay, effective on a date to be fixed by the Bureau and reported to the Department.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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JUL 7 1915

McC.

Maurice Durabb,
restoration to duty.

August 2, 1915.

Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.

Referring to Department letter of July 3, to Maurice Durabb, second assistant keeper, Chandeleur Light Station, La., authorizing his restoration to duty and pay, effective on a date to be fixed by the Bureau and reported to the Department.

Report by brief letter, in duplicate, whether or not Durabb has been restored to duty and pay, and the effective date thereof, in the event he has returned.

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Acting Commissioner.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 8th DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., (City.) August 20, (Date.) 1915.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion and appointment.

Name, **Maurice Durabb.**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.**

Location, **Chandeleur Light Station, La.**

Effective **September 1, 1915.**

Legal residence, **Louisiana.**

Salary, **$516 per annum.**

Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.**

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

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper

Location, **Chandeleur Light Station, La.**

Former salary, **$456 per annum**

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
AUG 27 1915
HOUSES

August 25, 1915.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

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

(By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.)

EOD Sept 7, 1915. M

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Arthur J. Garland.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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AUG 27 1915

LIGHT
NOV 8 1915
HOUSES

NOV 8 1915

Sir:

Referring to report of the service rendered by you during the trying conditions caused by the hurricane of September 28 and 29, 1915, in assisting in maintaining the light at Chandeleur Light Station, La., and making temporary repairs and recovering Government property, you are commended for the service rendered by you on that occasion, which fact will be noted on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD
Secretary.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
First Assistant Keeper,
Chandeleur Light Station, La.
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses.)

LIGHTHOUSES---Bureau's files.

Exact copy as signed by WILLIAM C. REDFIELD
Mailed NOV 8 - 1915 by

Copy sent Insp
Let File Hon W. Bagley NOV 8 1915

Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 23 1915

New Orleans, La., December 21, 1915.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation.

Name, Maurice Durabb. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, First Assistant Keeper in the Light-house Service. Salary, $576 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.

Effective January 1, 1916, [1] ~~the date he enters on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, First Assistant Keeper Former salary, $516 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.

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

- - - -

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 29 1915

December 27, 1915.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~First Assistant Keeper~~ in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~ at a salary of ~~Five Hundred and Seventy-six~~ dollars per ~~annum~~, effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $516 per annum.)

Dec 29, 1915

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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DEC 29 1915

Lighthouse Inspector
DEC 4 1916
New Orleans.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service.

LIGHT
DEC 6 1916
HOUSES

8th District
Chandeleur Light Station.
November 21, 1916.

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comsr.
Comsr.

Dept rec'd 12/6/16

The Secretary of Commerce,
Washington, D. C.

(Through the Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.)

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that I be granted 22-3/8 days' leave without pay from October 7 to 29, inclusive, 1916. This absence was made necessary by illness, the full allowance of annual and sick leave for the current calendar year having been exhausted.

Respectfully,

Maurice Durall
First Asst. Keeper.

THROUGH THE KEEPER:

William W. Bayles
Keeper.

NP-MCC

Office of Inspector, 8th District,
New Orleans, La., December 4, 1916.

Forwarded to the Commissioner of Lighthouses, with recommendation for favorable consideration.

Dorry
Inspector.

HB-NDW Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, December 7, 1916.
Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce with recommendation for approval:
By direction of the Commissioner:

JK
Acting Chief Clerk.

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LIGHT
DEC 11 1916
HOUSES

December 9, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 7th instant, the Department has approved the request of Maurice Durabb, first assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, for 22-3/8 days' leave without pay from October 7 to 29, inclusive, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
DEC 14 1916

To Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Comm'r Lights.

LIGHT
AUG 29 1917
HOUSES

August 28, 1917.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated August 22, 1917, as first assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, at $576 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of September 10, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.
Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SPECIAL LIGHT APR 5 1918 HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 2, 1918.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Reinstatement.

Name, **Maurice Durabb.** Legal residence, **Louisiana.**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper in the Light-house Service.** Salary, **$576 per annum.**

Location, **Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **April 5, 1918,** [1] ~~to take effect from date of his entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Hydrog.
Engr. Comm.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comms.
Comm.

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

Location, - - -

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

- - - -

Previous incumbent, Samuel T. Ganse Services terminated, **March 31, 1918.**

Reason, **Resigned.**

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Mr. Durabb previously served as Second Assistant Keeper and First Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station from August 19, 1914, to September 10, 1917, inclusive. Quarters are not provided at Galveston Jetty Light Station for the families of the keepers.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 191

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector

J. [illegible]
Chief Clerk.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON APR 5 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

HPB

Acting Commissioner

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
APR 8 1918
HOUSES

April 8, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Seventy-six dollars per annum,

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

(By reinstatement, in accordance with authority granted in Civil Service Commission's certificate No. 13024.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Dustings.

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Samuel T. Cause.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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Sir:

Referring to the assistance rendered by you on June 23, 1918, to the gasoline launch TEXAS JACK, in the vicinity of your light station, in pulling it off the jetty and towing it into smooth water where the launch was anchored, and later in towing the launch to Galveston, the Department commends you for the service thus rendered, which will be noted on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD
Secretary.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Assistant Keeper, Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses)

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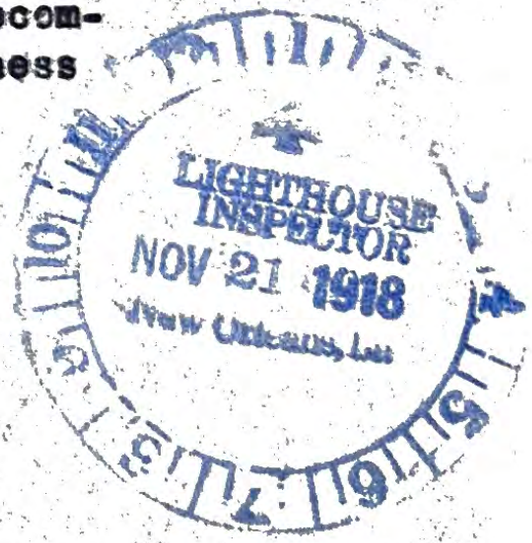


November 13, 1918.

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Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the bureau, to take effect at the close of business on November 15, 1918.



Bureau	Lighthouse Service
Position	Keeper
Salary	$900 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) *Clifford Hustin*

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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November 29, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
500 Pacific Ave.,
Algiers, La.

Transmitted herewith is Department's acceptance of your resignation as keeper in the Lighthouse Service, effective at the close of November 15, 1918.

Check in the sum of $44.25 covering salary from November 1st to 15th, inclusive, is inclosed.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
[redacted]THOUSE INSPECTOR
.W ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Horn Island.
(Station, ~~Depot, or Vessel.~~)

Nov 12, 1918

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Sir

In reply to your letter of November. 2nd my address after Nov 15th will be 500 Pacific Ave Algiers La Respectfully.

M. Ruralb
Keeper.

Left station on morning of the 16th.

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November 2, 1918.

Maurice Durabb, Keeper,
Horn Island Light Station,
Pascagoula, Miss.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of resignation dated November 2, 1918, which has been forwarded to the Commissioner of Lighthouses with recommendation that same be accepted to take effect at the close of November 15, 1918. You will be duly advised of the Department's action in the matter.

Three copies of Form 30 are inclosed, which you are directed to prepare as a receipt for transfer of property in accordance with Instructions "B" thereon. On the afternoon of the 15th instant, if your successor has not been appointed, you will have temporary additional keeper Johannesson check over and sign all three copies of the form and he will assume charge of the station until the arrival of the new keeper.

Advise this office promptly when you leave the station; also state post-office address to which you wish your salary check for November 1-15, inclusive, mailed.

(Signed) DORRY,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy furnished Albin Johannesson, temporary additional keeper, Horn Island Light Station, Pascagoula, Miss., for his information, guidance, and the station files.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION ~~OF DEATH~~

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~, Eighth DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., November 5, 1918.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Maurice Durabb. Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Legal residence, Louisiana Station, Horn Island Light Station, Mississippi.

Salary, $624.00 per annum.

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of November 15, 1918.

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

Remarks:

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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COPY (MCC) Recd., 8:30 a.m., Nov. 4, 1918. D.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Horn Island Light
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Nov. 2, 1918

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Sir:

Will state that on account of ill health I am compelled to leave this station, so except this as my resignation to take effect Nov. 15th.

Respectfully,

M. DURABB,

Keeper.

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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November 20, 1918.

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Mr. Maurice Durand,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $624 per annum to 900 per annum, effective November 1, 1918.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Chief of Appointment Division.

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November 25, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
500 Pacific Ave.,
Algiers, Louisiana.

Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated November 19, 1918, notifying you of increase in salary to $900.00 per annum, effective November 1, 1918.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT HOUSES AUG 22 1918

August 19, 1918. AUG 22 1918 3 09 PM

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR AUG 26 1918 New Orleans, La.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~Keeper~~

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of ~~Six Hundred and Twenty-four~~ dollars per ~~annum~~,

effective August 10, 1918.

(By transfer from first assistant keeper at $576. per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Andrew E. Steiner,

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Maurice Durabb,

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

MAURICE DURABB
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 3d day of September, A. D. 1918.

(Affix official seal here)
S(John H. Turner,
E(Notary Public
A(Jackson Co.,
L(Miss.

[4] (*Name*) JOHN H. TURNER

(*Official title*) Notary Public

My commission expires Jan. 17th, 1921.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service	$624 per annum.	Horn Island Light Station, Miss.
Former [5] 1st Asst. Kpr. in the L.H.Service	$576 p.a.	Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.

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

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Office of SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Eighth District

New Orleans, La., (Address) September 5, 1918. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on August 10, 1918. (Date)

(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 after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector 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 lighthouse inspectors 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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August 26, 1918.

Maurice Durabb, Keeper,
Horn Island Light Station,
Pascagoula, Mississippi.

Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated August 19, 1918, appointing you Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of $624.00 per annum and the usual ration allowance, for duty at Horn Island Light Station effective commencing August 10, 1918.

Subscribe to inclosed "Oath of Office" before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths and return same as soon as practicable, as no compensation under this appointment can be paid you until the oath is received in proper form.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES. Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., August 14 8.
(City.) (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion and appointment.

Name, Maurice Durabb. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $624 per annum.

Location, Horn Island Light Station, Mississippi. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective August 10, 1918, {the actual date of entrance on duty.[1] Or
~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

Former position, First Assistant Keeper. Former salary, $576 per annum.

Location, Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.

Rank on eligible list, -- Rating, -- Percentage, -- , Other eligibles considered:
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Previous incumbent, Andrew B. Steiner. Services terminated, June 30, 1918.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Due to the emergency existing at this station, caused by the resignation of both keepers, Maurice Durabb was assigned to duty on August 10, 1918.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 191

Direct to Com. of L.H.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Horn Island Light Station
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

July 13, 1918.
August

Pascagoula Miss

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Sir

I arrived at this Station July August 16th at 6 30 P.M and relieved Mr Wheelock as Keeper

Respectfully

M. Durabb

Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Galveston Jetty Light Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

August 8th, 1918

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans La

Sir

The first assistant of this station Mr. Maurice Durabb left at 2:00 PM enroute to the station of which he has been appointed keeper on the above date.

Respectfully.

G. H. Bardwell Keeper

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August 6, 1918.

Maurice Durabb, 1st Asst. Keeper,
Galveston Jetty Light Station,
Box 327,
Galveston, Texas.
(Through the Keeper.)

Referring to your letter of August 4, 1918, stating that you would accept transfer to Horn Island Light Station, Mississippi, as Keeper:

You are directed to proceed to Pascagoula, Miss., immediately upon receipt of this letter and report to Mr. Niels Nilsen, the Keeper of Pascagoula River Range Light Station, who has been directed to transport you to Horn Island Light Station in the Government launch.

Inclosed is Transportation Request No. C-24450 covering travel between Galveston and Pascagoula. Upon procuring your ticket, insert the price on the stub and mail it to this office promptly.

Upon your arrival at Horn Island Light Station, you will carefully check over Receipt for Transfer of Property (Form 30) prepared in triplicate by Mr. Wheelock, the present acting keeper at that station, signing and forwarding receipt in accordance with Instructions "B" thereon.

You will then assume charge of the station, advising this office the exact date you enter upon duty.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent of Lighthouses:

(Signed) E. S. LANPHIER,

First Assistant Superintendent.

Copy furnished G. W. Bardwell, Keeper, Galveston Jetty L.S., for his information and the station files.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent of Lighthouses:

(Signed) E. S. LANPHIER,
First Assistant Superintendent.

Copy furnished Milton E. Wheelock, Acting Keeper, Horn Island L.S., Pascagoula, Miss., for his information, guidance, and the station files.

Disregard previous instructions relative to Mr. Irby Surdich.

You will prepare Receipt for Transfer of Property on Form 30 in triplicate for Mr. Durabb to check over upon his arrival.

Keeper Niels Nilsen has been instructed to transport you back to Round Island Light Station.

Advise this office promptly the exact date Mr. Durabb arrives and relieves you from duty at Horn Island.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent of Lighthouses:

(Signed) E. S. LANPHIER,

First Assistant Superintendent.

Copy furnished Niels Nilsen, Keeper, Pascagoula River Range Light Station, Box 213, Pascagoula, Miss., for his information, guidance, and station files.

Disregard previous instructions relative to Mr. Irby Surdich.

Immediately upon Mr. Durabb's arrival at Pascagoula, you will transport him to Horn Island Light Station, bring Assistant Keeper Wheelock back to Round Island upon your return.

Promptly advise this office when above orders are carried out.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent of Lighthouses:

First Assistant Superintendent.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
AUG 6 1918
EIGHTH DISTRICT New Orleans, La.

South Jetty Light Station
(Station, Depot or Vessel)

Aug 4th, 1918

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

In reply to your letter of Aug 1st
In regards of transfer to Horn Island
light Station as Keeper.
Will accept same and ready to leave
this Station as soon as I get word from you
to that effect
if you wish to advise me by telegraph
the address will be 213½ Tremont St.
which will be delivered to me at once by
the Bar Pilots

Respectfully,

Maurice Rousabb
1 Asst Keeper

Forwarded
G. H. Bardwell Keeper.

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August 1, 1918.

Maurice Durabb, 1st Assistant Keeper,
Galveston Jetty Light Station,
P. O. Box 327,
Galveston, Texas.
(Through the Keeper.)

You are requested to advise this office, by return mail if practicable, whether or not you will accept transfer to Horn Island Light Station, near Pascagoula, Mississippi, in the position of Keeper at $624 per annum and an allowance of 45¢ per day in cash instead of rations.

If you will accept transfer to Horn Island, it is desired to have you report for duty within the next week. You will therefore state the earliest practicable date on which you can report for duty at that station.

(Signed) DORRY,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy furnished G. W. Bardwell, Keeper, Galveston Jetty L.S., for his information and the station files.

In the event Mr. Durabb is transferred to Horn Island, you are authorized to employ a suitable person to act as temporary additional keeper until his successor can be appointed, furnishing the required information in regard to his name, legal residence, previous Government Service, etc.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Jane



Biloxi. Miss July 21 1918

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
New Orleans. La.

Sir Replying to your Letter
asking me to accept Position
as assistant light house keepe at
Horn Island Station. I advised
you that I am not in the
Position to accept the position
as a Lighthouse keeper for I am
subject to Military call at
any time and I am in class
one. so I am very sorry that
I can not accept the Position
as assistant light house keeper
But if I should come back I
will be glad to get in the

Light house Service
which I will have back after
the war is over. I thank you
for your kind offer and
I am sorry that I can not
accept the offer at the time.

Respectfully
Guby Surelich
232 Thomas St
Biloxi Miss

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
AUG 1 1918
New Orleans, La.

Form 56

TELEGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IDENTIFICATION CARD NO._____

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RECEIVER'S No.	TIME FILED	CHECK PAID, GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

New Orleans La July 31, 1918
(Place and date)

SEND TO Irby Surdich
Two Thirty Two Thomas Street
Biloxi Mississippi

Telegraph earliest date you can report for duty Horn Island

DORRY

CHARGE BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON, D. C.

APPROPRIATION FOR "GENERAL EXPENSES, LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE."

ATTEST: R. B. DORRY
(Name)

Supt. of Lighthouses, 8th District.
(Title)

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EXEMPT FROM TAX

JAM-MCC

July 27, 1918.

Mr. Irby Surdich,
232 Thomas St.,
Biloxi, Miss.

Sir:

Referring to your letters of July 16 and 26, 1918, requesting reinstatement in the Lighthouse Service and applying for appointment as Assistant Keeper at Horn Island Light Station, Mississippi:

You are advised that you have been selected for Assistant Keeper at Horn Island at $492 per annum and a ration allowance of 45¢ per day in cash.

You are directed to proceed to Pascagoula, Mississippi, as soon as practicable after the receipt of this letter and report to Mr. Niels Nilsen, the Keeper of Pascagoula River Range Light Station, who has been directed to transport you to Horn Island Light Station in the Government launch.

Upon your arrival at Horn Island Light Station you will carefully check over Receipt for Transfer of Property (Form 30) prepared in triplicate by Mr. Milton E. Wheelock, the present acting keeper at that station, signing and forwarding receipt in accordance with Instructions "B" thereon.

You will then assume charge of the station until the arrival of the new Keeper, advising this office the exact date you enter upon duty.

Acknowledge receipt of this letter by return mail, stating when you will leave Biloxi enroute to Horn Island.

Respectfully,

(Signed) B. B. DORRY,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy furnished Milton E. Wheelock, Acting Keeper, Horn Island Light Station, Pascagoula, Miss., for his information, guidance, and the station files.

Inclosed are three copies of Form 30 which you will prepare as a Receipt for Transfer of Property in accordance with Instructions "B" thereon. Upon Mr. Surdich's arrival at Horn Island, he will check over and sign same as directed.

You will then instruct Mr. Surdich as to the proper execution of all the duties of the station, and return with Keeper Niels Nilsen who has been direct-

Indorsement to M. E. Wheelock (continued)

ed to transport you to Round Island Light Station.

Promptly advise the exact date Mr. Surdich arrives and relieves you from duty at Horn Island Light Station.

(Signed) DORRY.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy furnished Niels Nilsen, Keeper, Pascagoula River Range Light Station, Box 213, Pascagoula, Miss., for his information, guidance, and the station files.

Immediately upon Mr. Surdich's arrival at Pascagoula you will transport him to Horn Island Light Station, bringing Assistant Keeper Wheelock back to Round Island upon your return.

Promptly advise this office when above orders are carried out.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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July 25, 1918.

Joseph W. Sprinkle, Laborer in Charge,
Pass Aux Herons Lights,
Dauphin Island, Alabama.

You are requested to advise this office, by return mail if practicable, whether or not you will accept transfer to Horn Island Light Station, near Pascagoula, Mississippi, in the position of Keeper at $624 per annum and an allowance of forty-five cents (45¢) per day in cash instead of rations.

If you will accept transfer to Horn Island, it is desired to have you report for duty within the next week or ten days. You will therefore state the earliest practicable date on which you can report for duty at the new station.

In the event you accept above-mentioned transfer, you are requested to advise if there is a suitable person at Dauphin Island, who owns a boat, whom you can recommend to take your place as Laborer in Charge of Pass Aux Herons Lights. If so, state his name, date and place of birth, legal (voting) residence, previous Government Service (if any), and whether or not any members of his family are at present in the Government Service. The person recommended must be a citizen of the United States and at least 18 years of age. Have him execute and return inclosed application (Form 1025) as soon as practicable.

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Superintendent.

Declined 7/29/18

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Horn Island L. S.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

July 20, 1918

Light House Inspector 8th District
New Orleans La.

Sir:-

I received your letter stating that I would be relieved as soon as practicable from Horn Island L. S. I believe that you should be able to get a man there by the 10th of Aug.. If you can do this I wish you would let me know. If you can't you may accept this letter as my resignation to take effect on Aug. 10th 1918.

Respectfully,
M. E. Wheelock
Temp Keeper
Horn Island L. S.

P.S. I hope you will understand my position at this time on account of my family and see that it is impossible to remain at that station after that date. Aug. 10th 1918.

M. E. Wheelock.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Horn Island Miss.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Aug. 12., 1918.

Light House Superintendent. 8th District.

Sir.

Mr. Maurice Durabb reported and took charge of Horn Island Light Station Aug. 10th 1918 at 7.30. P.M. I left there with Mr. Nels Nelson keeper of Pascagoula River Entrance lights at 8.10 for Round Island Light Station. Arrived at Round Island about 9.20 P.M.

Respectfully.
M. E. Wheelock.
Asst. Keeper.
Round Island.

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 8, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APR 8 1918 2.50 PM
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
APR 11 1918
New Orleans, La.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Seventy-six dollars per annum,

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

(By reinstatement, in accordance with authority granted in Civil Service Commission's certificate No. 15024.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Samuel T. Gause.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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COPY (MCC) Recd., L.H.Inspr., N.O.,La., Apr.23,1918.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Maurice Durabb,

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

MAURICE DURABB,
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 22nd day of April, A. D. 1918.

(Affix official seal here)
S(Notary Public,
E(County of
A(Galveston,
L(Texas.

[4] (*Name*) CHARLES NEYNABER, Notary Public
(*Official title*) In and for Galveston Co., Tex.

My commission expires June 1, 1919.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present First Asst. Keeper in the Lighthouse Service	$576 p.a.	Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.
Former [5] By reinstatement.		

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

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Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Eighth District

New Orleans, La. (Address), April 23, 1918. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on April 9, 1918. (Date)

(Signature, followed by title) Inspector.

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector 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 lighthouse inspectors 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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

(To be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty. The statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.)

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

MR. MAURICE DURABB

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

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) | Galveston Jetty L.S., Tex. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) | 8th (District.)

4. Position to which appointed 1st Asst. Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

5. Compensation $576 per annum.

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

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

By reinstatement.

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

Algiers (City or town.) | Louisiana (State or Territory.) | Jefferson (County.) | Second (Congressional district.)

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

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

11. Where were you born? Buras, La.

12. When were you born? September (Month.) | 22 (Day.) | 1881 (Year.)

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

14. What is your marital condition? Widower

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

Mrs. Joseph Yeager (Name.) | 500 Pacific Ave. (Number and street.)

Algiers (City or town.) | Louisiana (State or Territory.)

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16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? Yes

(If answer is "Yes," give in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.)

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
J. M. Smith	3613 IbervilleSt. N.O., La.,	Position Carpenter Department or office Naval Stn.	Bro.-in-Law	Married
		Position Department or office		
Josie Buras	Station B Post Office	Position P.O.Clerk Department or office	Nephew	Single

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

No.

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

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Commerce	Light house	(2nd Asst.Kpr. (1st Asst.Kpr.	$456 p.a.) $576 p.a.)	Aug.3,1914	Sep.10,1917

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

No.

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

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

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

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

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

Relationship (widow or orphan).....

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service .....

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

23. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 18, 19, 20, and 21.)

River Pilot, Sailor, Rigger, and worked as blacksmith and machinist helper.

24. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public Schools.

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

Mechanical.

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

Lighthouse Service--Asst. Lighthouse Keeper--August 5, 1913.

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

Yes.

Date, April 22, 1918.

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) MAURICE DURABB

P. O. Address: Box 334
City or town.

Number and street.

Galveston,
State or Territory.

Texas.

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

MCC

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded April 23, 1918.

(Signature)

(Official title) Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JAM-MCC

3 inclosures

EIGHTH DISTRICT

April 12, 1918.

Maurice Durabb, 1st Assistant Keeper,
Galveston Jetty Light Station,
P. O. Box 327,
Galveston, Texas.
(Through the Keeper.)

Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated April 8, 1918, reinstating you in the Lighthouse Service in the position of First Assistant Keeper at Galveston Jetty Light Station at a salary of $576.00 per annum (plus 10% during the present fiscal year) and a ration allowance of thirty cents ($.30) per day in cash; effective commencing April 9, 1918.

Subscribe to inclosed "Oath of Office" before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths.

Inclosed "Personal Question Sheet" should be completed in detail and returned as soon as practicable.

(Signed) DORRY,
Inspector.

Copy furnished G. W. Bardwell, Keeper, Galveston Jetty Light Station, for his information and the station files.

Inspector.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
19 18
New Orleans, La.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Galveston Jetty Light Sta
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

April 12th, 1918

Lighthouse Inspector Eighth District
New Orleans. La

Sir

The new assistant for this station —
Mr. Maurice Darabb — reported for duty
on April 9th 1918

Respectfully
G H Bardwell. Keeper

JAM-MCC

April 17, 1918.

George W. Bardwell, Keeper,
Galveston Jetty Light Station,
P.O.Box 327,
Galveston, Texas.

No report has been received from you advising the date of Mr. Maurice Durabb's entrance on duty as First Assistant Keeper of Galveston Jetty Light Station. Make prompt report in the matter.

EOD 4-9-18

Inspector.

MCC

April 6, 1918.

George W. Bardwell, Keeper,
Galveston Jetty Light Station,
Galveston, Texas.

The bearer, Mr. Maurice Durabb, has been nominated for the position of First Assistant Keeper of Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.

Promptly advise this office the exact date upon which he reports to you for duty.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

(Signed) G. W. VAUGHAN,
Chief Clerk.

Copy forwarded to Mr. Bardwell by mail.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Chief Clerk.

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NOMINATION

SPECIAL

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 2 (City.) (Date.), 1918.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, **Reinstatement.**

Name, **Maurice Durabb.** Legal residence, **Louisiana.**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper in the Light-house Service.** Salary, **$576 per annum.**

Location, **Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **April 5, 1918,** [1] ~~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, **Samuel T. Cause** Services terminated, **March 31, 1918.**

Reason, **Resigned.**

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

Remarks: **Mr. Durabb previously served as Second Assistant Keeper and First Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station from August 19, 1914, to September 10, 1917, inclusive. Quarters are not provided at Galveston Jetty Light Station for the families of the keepers.**

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 191

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector

Chief Clerk.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

11—2314



500 Pacific Ave
Algiers La

U. S Lighthouse Inspector
Sir
Will call at office Saturday 10 A.M
instead of Friday as I can not get
my salary from present job any earlier
Respectfully
Maurice Ourabb.

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JAM-MCC

April 2, 1918.

George W. Bardwell, Keeper,
Galveston Jetty Light Station,
P. O. Box 327,
Galveston, Texas.

You are informed that Mr. Maurice Durabb, of Algiers, Louisiana, has been selected for the position of First Assistant Keeper at Galveston Jetty Light Station, and he has been directed to report to you on the morning of April 6, 1918, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Promptly advise this office the exact date Mr. Durabb arrives at the station.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Chief Clerk.

JAM-MCC

March 30, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
500 Pacific Avenue,
Algiers, Louisiana.

Sir:

You are requested to call at this office Monday, April 1st, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., for an interview in regard to your application for reinstatement into the Lighthouse Service.

If it is impracticable for you to call between the hours mentioned, you will please telephone Main 1386.

Respectfully,

D
Inspector.



500 Pacific Ave

Algiers La

U.S Lighthouse Inspector

Sir

As I would like to be reinstated in the lighthouse service.

Would you please send one application blank for same

Respectfully

Maurice Dusalb.

~~Bolivar~~ Galveston Jetty L.S.



Port Bolivar
Texas
21st March 1918

E. S. Lamphier Esq/
New Orleans

Sir

Your letter of 21st receved last evening
Under present circumstances, I still think it
will be more to my advantage now, to continue in
my present occupations, and not accept
temporary employment as Laborer.

Again thanking you
I remain Sir
Yours respectfully
Gus Lena

Maurice Durabb

LEGAL RESIDENCE
Louisiana.

INACTIVE

Maurice Durabb

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
2nd Asst. Kpr. Southwest Reef L.S. La	$456.	L. H.	
Appt cancelled			
2nd Asst Kpr. Chandeleur L.S. La	456	L. H.	Aug. 19, 1914
Suspended not exc 90 days from date of Apr 18. 1915. Relieved to duty — July 13. 1915.			
1st Asst. Kpr. Chandeleur L.S. La	$516.	L. H.	Sept. 7, 1915
" " " " " "	$576.	"	Jan 1. 1916
Resigned close Sept. 10, 1917			
1st asst Kpr Galveston Jetty L.S. Tex Reinstatement	576	L. H.	Apr. 9. 1918.
Keeper Horn Island Miss. cleared	624	"	Aug 10, 1918
" Increase eff.	900	"	Nov. 4 1918.
Resigned close Nov 15, 1918.			

INACTIVE

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SPECIAL

SPECIAL

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., (City.) April 25 (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, * Maurice Durabb — Legal residence, Louisiana

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. — Salary, $456 per annum.

Location, Southwest Reef Light Station, La. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1914.

Effective April 28, 1914 — { 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, Second Rating, Assistant Keeper Percentage, 84.2. Other eligibles considered: Harvey H. Holdeman, D.; William Murray, F.R.; Joshua Dykes, C.; and Edward W. Peake, C.

Previous incumbent, John Clark done 4/30/14 Services terminated, April 17, 1914.

Reason, Services discontinued during probationary period on account of being unsatisfactory. Recommended

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: Maurice Durabb has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. Quarters are not provided at Ship Shoal Light Station for families of Keepers. Telegraphic notification requested upon issuance of appointment.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. April 25, 1914

Secretary, 10 *Civil Service District.*

Inspector.

4/29/14 * no papers

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 27 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner.

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11—2314

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

April 30, 1914.

Mr. Maurice Durnbb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars

per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. - - - -, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 30 1914 ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CANCELLED

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(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: John Clark.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Dep. Commr,
Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Examiner.
Personnel.
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Commr.

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

May 11, 1914.

LIGHT MAY 13 1914

CHIEF CLERK MAY 15 1914 5

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAY 16 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Maurice Durabb,
Returning appointment for cancellation.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. I inclose herewith, for cancellation, Department's letter of April 30, 1914, together with its carbon copy, appointing Maurice Durabb as Second Assistant Keeper of Southwest Reef Light Station, La.

APPOINTMENTS MAY 15 1914 3.30

2. Mr. Durabb has declined to accept service under this appointment, claiming that his wife is very ill, owing to having recently undergone an operation, and that the expense in connection therewith leaves him short of funds; that these circumstances render it impossible for him to report at the light station for duty.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Brown
Superintendent.

5/13/14

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
MAY 13 1914

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner.

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce ~~and Labor~~

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

April 30, 1914.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars

per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. - - - -, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

CANCELLED

CANCELLED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Geo. W. Kanaley

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: John Clark.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington April 30, 1914.

LIGHT MAY2 1914 HOUSES

LIGHT MAY13 1914 HOUSES

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars

per annum; effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. ----, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

CANCELED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

M
C

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: John Clark.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

April 30, 1914.

LIGHT
MAY 2 1914
HOUSES

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars

per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. ----, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

CANCELED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CANCELED

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

M
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: John Clark.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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MAY 2 1914

May 16, 1914.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 13th instant, the Department has canceled its order whereby Maurice Durabb would have been given a probationary appointment as second assistant keeper of Southwest Reef Light Station, Louisiana, at $456 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) T. J. FITZGERALD

Acting Chief Clerk.

CANCELED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 18 1914 ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

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Form 73

NOMINATION

TJC-WB

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., July 28, 1914. 191
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, Maurice Durabb — Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Second Assistant Keeper in the Light-house Service. — Salary, $456 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, La. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1915.

Effective August 16, 1914 { ~~the actual date of entrance on duty, or~~ as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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

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

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

August 3, 1914.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars

per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon

duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By selection from certificate No. ----, and subject to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, to be found on the reverse hereof.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED AUG 3 1914 ON JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

M

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Arthur J. Garland.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

CHANGE REPORTED U. S. COMMISSION. AUG 1914

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Form 111

TJC-WB

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, AUG 13 1914 8th DIST. N. O., LA.

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT SEP 8 1914 HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK SEP 21 1914

I, Maurice Durabb

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

☞ Maurice Durabb
(Appointee signs here)

SEP 21 1914

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 11 day of Aug, A. D. 1914

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) George W. Debsdermis

(Official title) Justice of the Peace

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present Second Asst. Keeper in the L.H.Service	$456 p.a.	Chandeleur Light Station, La.
Former [5] (Probationary appointment).		

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

EFS

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 8th District

New Orleans, La. (Address), September 4, 1914. (Date)

CARDED.

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on August 19, 1914. (Date)

(Signature followed by title)
Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District.

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

[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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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
AUG 13 1914
8th DIST. S. A., LA.

LIGHT
SEP 8 1914
HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK
SEP 14 1914

APPOINTMENTS
SEP 15 1914

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1913.

To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce:

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

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

CLERK

PART I.

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

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

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

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

Osbrica (City or town.) *Louisiana* (State or Territory.) *Plaquemine* (County.) **1st. La.** (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? *Buras, La*

6. When were you born? *September* (Month.) *22* (Day.) *1881* (Year.)

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

Mrs Maurice Dusalb
Name.

Ostrica
City or town.

Louisiana
Number and street.

State or Territory.

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

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
No				

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

Assistant light house keeper Aug 6 1913

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

no

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

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
no					

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

no

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

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

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

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

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.) no

Name under which service was rendered

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



16. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 11, 12, 13, and 14.)

Blacksmith Helper

17. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public schools 6th grade

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

Mechanical

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

Assistant Light house Keeper Aug 6 1913

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

Yes

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. Aug 11, 1914

Witness:

In case signature is by mark.

(Signature) Maurice L Durabb

P. O. Address: Ostrica
City or town.

Number and street.

Louisiana
State or Territory.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded September 4, 1914

(Signature) R R Doty

(Official title) Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District

11—1434

PART II.

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

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) — Chandeleur Light Station, La. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel.)) — 8th (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

3. State the date of appointment. August 3, 1914.

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

Entrance on duty.

5. State the date of the oath. August 11, 1914.

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. August 19, 1914.

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

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

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

10. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6/96

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

Examination - Assistant Lighthouse Keeper, August 6, 1913.

12. Is the employee required to give bond? No.

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

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) R R Darby

(Official title) Inspector, 8th Lighthouse District.

Date: September 4, 1914.

11—1434

December 11, 1914.

File J. R. C. Claus

Gentlemen:

In response to the Commission's inquiry of the 9th instant relative to the date of probational appointment, or the failure to receive appointment of certain persons, selected for the Lighthouse Service, the Department has to advise as follows:

Johann R. C. Claus, appointed June 9, 1914, effective June 12, 1914, second assistant keeper of Southeast Five Finger Islands Light Station, Alaska, at $600 per annum. Appointment reported to the Commission in the report of changes for the month of October, 1914.

Maurice Durabb, appointed April 30, 1914, second assistant keeper of Southwest Reef Light Station, Louisiana, at $456 per annum, canceled by Department under date of May 16, 1914. Appointed August 3, 1914, effective August 19, 1914, second assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, at $456 per annum. Reported to the Commission in the August, 1914, report of changes.

Charles F. Hayden. It is understood that Mr. Hayden was nominated for appointment as assistant keeper of Sharps Island Light Station, Maryland, in the Fifth Lighthouse District, but that the same was returned by the Bureau to the Inspector for reconsideration, in view of the fact that Mr. Hayden had been

dismissed from the Lighthouse Service for insubordination and inefficiency, effective October 31, 1909. It appears that the Inspector withdrew his nomination for Mr. Hayden's appointment, as the Department's records show that Carl Geiling was appointed to this position effective June 26, 1914, as reported to the Commission in the monthly report of changes for July, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Chief Clerk.

The Civil Service Commission.

C-R

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

May 5, 1913

The action proposed in the attached communication, if approved, will create one TEMPORARY additional position.

Designation.	Salary.
Addl. 2nd asst. Keeper	$456. p.a.
(Period not exc 3 mos)	

Chief of Appointment Division.

11—5045

HRW-McC.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

May 4, 1915.

CHIEF CLERK MAY 5 1915

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAY 5 1915

Subject: 8th Inspector's letter May 1, 1915, Maurice Durabb, second asst. keeper, Chandeleur L. S., suspension.

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APPOINTMENTS MAY 5 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information, and with statement that the Bureau has directed the Inspector to initiate the suspension of Durabb. Inclosed is copy of Bureau telegram of today to the Eighth Inspector. Upon receipt of the reply of the Inspector to that telegram, the Bureau will make further report and recommendation to the Department in regard to the suspension. Approval of the action so far taken by the Bureau is recommended.

CHIEF CLERK MAY 5 1915

In view of the extreme isolation of this station, it is further recommended that the temporary additional position of second assistant keeper, at $456 per annum, be authorized for this station, for a period not to exceed three months, effective on the date the person to be appointed thereto enters on duty, pending disposition of the case against Durabb by the civil authorities.

APPOINTMENTS MAY 5 1915

In view of the necessity for the services of three keepers at this station, it is recommended that authority be granted to assign a suitable person to duty in the temporary position recommended, provided he has not two or more members of his family in the Government service and the local district secretary approves, with the understanding that proper nomination will be submitted to the Department at a later date, at which time the usual appointment may be issued.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

TEMPORARY new position.

5-5-15

Acting Commissioner

May 5, 1915.

APPROVED:

Acting Secretary.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



TJC-MCC

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

Maurice Durabb, 2.A.K.,
Chandeleur L.S., La.

May 1, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. I have to report that Maurice Durabb, Second Assistant Keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, has been arrested and charged with the murder of his wife on the night of April 17, 1915. He was on leave of absence at the time.

2. Durabb is being held under an affidavit for murder pending the meeting of the Grand Jury on May 8th. The Sheriff advises that in all probability a true bill will be found in his case and that the trial will then be set for May 29th.

3. Under the circumstances, this office will proceed with filling the position temporarily, pending the outcome of the matter, and nomination will shortly be forwarded and selection made, if practicable, from the Eligible Register.

Inspector.

Copy

Washington D C May 4 1915

Lighthouse Inspector New Orleans Louisiana

Suspend Durabb effective close date arrest unless reasons contrary Regulations three ninety six Report Bureau

(Signed) Putnam

May 6, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Bureau's communication of the 4th instant, with enclosures, relative to the arrest of Maurice Durabb, second assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, and, in view of the circumstances in the case, has approved the action of the Bureau in directing the Inspector to initiate the suspension of Mr. Durabb pending the disposition of his case.

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation, the Department has also authorized the temporary additional position of second assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, at $456 per annum, for a period not to exceed three months, effective on the date the person to be appointed thereto enters on duty. Authority has been granted for the selection and assignment of a properly qualified person to duty in the temporary position mentioned, provided the person selected has not two or more members of his family in the Government service and the local district secretary approves, with the understanding that proper nomination for appointment will be submitted to the Department at a later date.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

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HRW-McC.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

May 10, 1915.

CHIEF CLERK MAY 12 1915

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAY 13 1915 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Subject: 8th Inspector's letter, May 5, 1915, Maurice Durabb, 2d asst. keeper, Chandeleur L. S., suspension. # 456.Ja.

APPOINTMENTS MAY 12 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommending that the Department suspend Durabb, effective at the close of April 18, 1915, for a period not to exceed ninety days, pending disposition of his case. Such further report and recommendation as may be necessary will be made in this case at a later date. Attention is invited to Department letter of May 5, 1915, in this case.

CHIEF CLERK MAY 12 1915

May 12, 1915.

APPROVED:

Acting Secretary.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
MAY 7 1915
HOUSES

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

Maurice Durabb,
Suspension of

May 5, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Bureau's telegram of the 4th instant, Maurice Durabb, Second Assistant Keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, has this day been suspended from duty, effective at the close of April 18th, being the date of his arrest, charged with murder of his wife.

2. This action was not taken sooner, as the evidence so far has been of a circumstantial nature and it was thought desirable to await further developments in his case, he having not yet been indicted by the Grand Jury. In this connection, the Bureau's attention is invited to the case of Engvald T. Eriksen, Second Assistant Keeper of Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas, who was arrested on February 13, 1913, charged with assault to murder his wife and who was first separated from the Service without prejudice and afterwards reinstated.

3. In the absence and by direction of the Inspector:

Conway.
Chief Clerk.

May 13, 1915.

Sir:

In view of your arrest on a criminal charge, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has suspended you from duty and pay for a period not to exceed 90 days, effective at the close of April 18, 1915, pending the disposition of your case.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 13 1915 ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUN 30 1915
HOUSES

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
June 28, 1915.

CHIEF CLERK
JUL 1 1915
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Maurice Durabb, charges.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
JUL 3 1915
DEPT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS
JUL 1 1915
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The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Bureau's letter of the 4th instant, and to previous correspondence on the subject, I have to report that Maurice Durabb was acquitted of the charge against him by a jury on the 23rd instant.

2. Under the circumstances, it is recommended that Durabb, who is now under suspension, be restored to duty as Second Assistant Keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana. Prompt action is desired, in order that Steven Coludrovich can be relieved before July 12th, his temporary appointment expiring on that date.

CHIEF CLERK
JUL 2 1915

APPOINTMENTS
JUL 3 1915
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Sorry
Inspector.

McC.

Bureau of Lighthouses,
July 1, 1915.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommending that Durabb be restored to duty and pay, effective July 1, 1915, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Attention is invited to Department letter of May 13, 1915, suspending Durabb from duty and pay, pending disposition of his case.

The Eighth Inspector will be directed to discontinue the services of Steven Coludrovich as additional second assistant keeper in the Lighthouse Service, assigned to duty at the Chandeleur Light Station, La., prior to the date that Durabb is restored to duty, and form 213b will be submitted in Coludrovich's case showing his last day of service.

July 2, 1915.

APPROVED:

E. F. Sweet

Acting Secretary.

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July 3, 1915.

Sir:

In view of a report from the Eighth Inspector to the effect that you were acquitted of the charges which led to your suspension at the close of April 18, 1915, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has authorized your restoration to duty and pay, effective on a date to be fixed by the Bureau and reported to the Department.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

CANCELED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 3 - 1915 ON JOURNAL OF CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

TJC-MCC

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

August 5, 1915.

Maurice Durabb,
Restoration to duty.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Bureau letter of the 2d instant:

2. I have to report that Maurice Durabb was restored to duty and pay as second assistant keeper at Chandeleur Light Station, La., effective July 13, 1915.

Inspector.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
AUG 7 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information. See Dept letter of May 13, 1915, suspending Durabb.

E. C. Gillette
Acting Commissioner.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 8th DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., (City.) August 20, (Date.) 1915.

DRAFT AUG 23 1915

CHIEF CLERK AUG 25 1915

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion and appointment.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITTEN AUG 25 1915 DEPT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS AUG 25 1915 11 00

Name, **Maurice Durabb.** Legal residence, **Louisiana.**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.** Salary, **$516 per annum.**

Location, **Chandeleur Light Station, La.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.**

Effective **September 1, 1915.** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper Former salary, **$456 per annum**

Location, **Chandeleur Light Station, La.**

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

- - - -

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1915.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

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

(By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.)

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED SERVICE AUG 25 1915 BUREAU JOURNAL

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Arthur J. Garland.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

ORIGINAL REPORTED SEP 1915 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

1-3892

Form 111

TJC-MCC

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Lighthouse Inspector
SEP 22 1915
New Orleans.

LIGHTHOUSE
SEP 30 1915
HOUSTON

CHIEF CLERK
OCT 4 1915

APPOINTMENTS
OCT 4 15

I, Maurice Durabb,

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

☞ Maurice Durabb
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 20th day of Sept, A. D. 1915

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) W. P. Grant

(Official title) Notary Public

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present	1st Asst. Kpr. in the L.H.Service	$516 p.a.	Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.
Former	2d Asst. Kpr. in the L.H. Service.	$456 p.a.	Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.

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

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT

CARDED.

New Orleans, La., (Address), September 27, 1915. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on September 7, 1915. (Date)

R R Doorly
(Signature, followed by title)
Inspector

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

[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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Ent'd

NOV 6 1915

Sir:

Referring to report of the service rendered by you during the trying conditions caused by the hurricane of September 28 and 29, 1915, in assisting in maintaining the light at Chandeleur Light Station, La., and making temporary repairs and recovering Government property, you are commended for the service rendered by you on that occasion, which fact will be noted on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD
Secretary.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
First Assistant Keeper,
Chandeleur Light Station, La.
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses.)

LIGHTHOUSES---Appointment Division's files

Exact copies signed by

Mailed NOV 8 - 1915 by

Form 73

TJC-MCC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 28 1915

New Orleans, La., December 21, 1915.
(City.) (Date.)

APPOINTMENTS DEC 24 1915 12

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation.

Name, Maurice Durabb. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, First Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $576 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses, 1916.

Effective January 1, 1916, {[1] the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, First Assistant Keeper Former salary, $516 per annum.

Location, Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.

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

- - - -

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 27, 1915.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~First Assistant Keeper~~ in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~ at a salary of ~~Five Hundred and Seventy-six~~ dollars per ~~annum~~, effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $516 per annum.)

CARDED.

DEC 27 1915

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

ACCEPTANCE REPORTED
JAN 1916
C. & COMMISSION

11—1393

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Lighthouse Inspector
JAN 22 1916
New Orleans.

APPOINTMENTS
JAN 26 1916
1.

LIGHT
JAN 24 1916
HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK
JAN 26 1916

I, Maurice Durahb,

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

☞ Maurice Durahb
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 21st day of Jan, A. D. 1916

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) W. J. Graul

(Official title) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE	RATE OF PAY	NAME OF STATION, VESSEL, OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT
Present First Asst. Kpr. in the L.H. Service	$576 p.a.	Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.
Former [5] Increase in compensation from $516 per annum.		

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

TJC-MCC

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT

New Orleans, La., January 22, 1916.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on January 1, 1916.
(Date)

ORDERED:

(Signature, followed by title) Inspector.

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

[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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

Lighthouse Inspector
DEC 4 1916
New Orleans.

LIGHTHOUSES
DEC 6 1916

CHIEF CLERK
DEC 8 1916

8th District
Chandeleur Light Station.
November 21, 1916.

The Secretary of Commerce,

Washington, D. C.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
DEC 9- 1916
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

(Through the Lighthouse Inspector, New Orleans, La.)

DEPARTMENT
DEC 8 1916

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that I be granted 22-3/8 days' leave without pay from October 7 to 29, inclusive, 1916. This absence was made necessary by illness, the full allowance of annual and sick leave for the current calendar year having been exhausted.

Respectfully,

Maurice Durabb
First Asst. Keeper.

THROUGH THE KEEPER:
William W. Bayly.
Keeper.

EP-MCC

Office of Inspector, 8th District,
New Orleans, La., December 4, 1916.

Forwarded to the Commissioner of Lighthouses, with recommendation for favorable consideration.

Inspector.

HB-NDW Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, December 7, 1916.
Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce with recommendation for approval;
By direction of the Commissioner:

Acting Chief Clerk.

December 9, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 7th instant, the Department has approved the request of Maurice Durabb, first assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, for 22-3/8 days' leave without pay from October 7 to 29, inclusive, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 9 - 1916 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

CARDED.

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Form 93

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION ~~ERASURE~~

LIGHT AUG 27 1917 HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, **Eighth** DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., August 24, 1917.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, **Maurice Durabb.** Position, **First Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.**

Legal residence, **Louisiana.** Station, **Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana.**

Salary, **$576.00** per **annum.**

AUG 25 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of **September 10, 1917.**

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

Remarks:

CHIEF CLERK AUG 27 1917

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
[redacted]
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Commr.
Commr.

Donny

Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 27 1917

8-27-17

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

L Conway

Acting Commissioner.

AUG 24 1917
New Orleans.

LIGHT
AUG 27 1917
HOUSES

Chandeleur Light Station La
Aug 22 1917

U. S Lighthouse Inspector
Sir

Kindly except this as my resignation from this Station to take effect on September 10-1917.

Respectfully

Maurice Dusabb
1st Asst Keeper.

Recvd and Forwarded
This 23rd day of August 1917.
N. W. Bayly.
Keeper

August 28, 1917.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated August 22, 1917, as first assistant keeper of Chandeleur Light Station, Louisiana, at $576 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of September 10, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.
Chief of Appointment Division.

COPY

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED AUG 28 1917 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 94

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

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

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

Durabb, Maurice

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

Lighthouse

4. Designation of position:

1st Assistant Keeper

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

Care of light and Government property.

6. Annual earnings:

$516

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS

8. Present rate of pay:

$ AS

9. Initial rate of pay:

$ 456 PA

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

Substitute— Years:	Months:	Regular— Years:	Months:
		3	3

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

Louisiana

12. Race:

W

13. Sex:

M

14. Date of birth—

Month: September

Year: 1881

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

E6; H2.

16. Marital condition:

W

17. War veteran?

No

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State: 1 Louisiana

County: Plaquemines

19. Civil service status:

C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:

CE

21. Place of employment—

City: Biloxi

State: Mississippi

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

11—5869

Form 73
MCC

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SPECIAL
LIGHT
APR 5 1918
HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., April 2, 1918.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES: APPOINTMENTS

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Action recommended, Reinstatement. 1918 APR 5 PM 12

Name, Maurice Durabb. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, First Assistant Keeper in the Light-house Service. Salary, $576 per annum.

Location, Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

OFFICE OF

Effective April 5, 1918, {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ACTION TAKEN APR 8 1918 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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

Location, - - -

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

- - - -

Previous incumbent, Samuel T. Gause Services terminated, March 31, 1918.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Mr. Durabb previously served as Second Assistant Keeper and First Assistant Keeper at Chandeleur Light Station from August 19, 1914, to September 10, 1917, inclusive. Quarters are not provided at Galveston Jetty Light Station for the families of the keepers.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 191

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector

J. L. Malone
Chief Clerk.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 5 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner

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

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Form 381.
May, 1910.

REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
[Department, Commission, or Office.]

Washington, D. C., April 5, 191 8.

To the U. S. Civil Service Commission:

Request is made for certificate under Rule IX for the reinstatement of Maurice Durabb, a legal resident of the State (or Territory) of Louisiana, to the position First Assistant Keeper, now vacant (or to become vacant on), at a salary of $ 576 p. a., in the Lighthouse Service, for which a certification of
[Bureau or Office.]
eligibles has not been requested.* Mr. Durabb was, without delinquency or misconduct on his part, separated by resignation on September 10, 1917 from the position of
[Removal or resignation.]
First Assistant Keeper at a salary of $ 576 p. a., in the Lighthouse Service.
[Bureau or Office.]

MEMBERS OF FAMILY IN THE SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES:

None.
[State degree of relationship and where employed.]

MILITARY OR NAVAL RECORD.

Regiment Company

Vessel Date of honorable discharge

By direction of the Secretary:

Signature: (SIGNED) W. LINDEN.

Official title: Chief Clerk.

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*If a certification has been requested, the date should be given. When a requisition has been made under section 1 of Rule VII for a certification of eligibles, and the Commission, at the request of the Department, has made public announcement of an examination to secure such eligibles, the vacancy shall not thereafter be filled by transfer, promotion, or reinstatement, without the consent of the Commission.

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Form 1788 (First Sheet).
Jan., 1913.

No. 13024

CERTIFICATE AUTHORIZING REINSTATEMENT.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

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A.L. Washington, D. C., April 6, 1918.

OFFICE OF
CHIEF CLERK

To the

Secretary of Commerce.

Sir:

Certification is hereby made that the following reinstatement is authorized by the Commission under Civil Service Rule IX.

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Maurice Durabb, of

STATUS AUTHORIZED.	FORMER STATUS.
Commerce, (Department.)	Same, (Department.)
Lighthouse Service, (Bureau or office.)	Same, (Bureau or office.)
First Assistant Keeper, $576 p.a., (Position and salary.)	Same, (Position and salary.)
Field Service, (City in which to be employed.)	Same, (City in which formerly employed.)
April 5, 1918. (Date of request.)	September 10, 1917, resignation. (Date and manner of separation.)

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Very respectfully,

John T. Doyle

Secretary.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 8, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Seventy-six dollars per annum,

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

(By reinstatement, in accordance with authority granted in Civil Service Commission's certificate No. 15024.)

By direction of the Secretary:

CANCELED.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Samuel T. Cause.

Legal Residence: Louisiana.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 8 - 1918 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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MAR 8 1918

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

CHIEF CLERK LIGHT APR 27 1918 HOUSES

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Maurice Durabb,

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

Maurice Durabb.
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 22nd day of April, A. D. 191 8.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (*Name*) Charles Neymaber

(*Official title*) Notary Public in and for Galveston County, Texas

My commission expires June 1st 1919.

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present	First Asst. Keeper in the Lighthouse Service	$576 p.a.	Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.
Former [5]	By reinstatement.		

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

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Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Eighth District

New Orleans, La., April 23, 1918.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on April 9, 1918.
(Date)

R. R. Darry
(Signature, followed by title) Inspector.

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector 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 lighthouse inspectors 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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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(To be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty. The statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.)

CHIEF CLERK

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

Mr Maurice Durabb

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

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) Galveston Jetty Light Station, Tex. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) 8th (District.)

4. Position to which appointed 1st Asst. Keeper in the Lighthouse Service.

5. Compensation $576 per annum.

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

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

By reinstatement.

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

Algiers (City or town.) Louisiana (State or Territory.) Jefferson (County.) Second (Congressional district.)

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

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

11. Where were you born? Buras Louisiana

12. When were you born? September (Month.) 22 (Day.) 1881 (Year.)

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

14. What is your marital condition? ~~Good~~ Widower.

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

Mrs. Joseph Yeager (Name.) 500 Pacific Ave. (Number and street.)

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

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16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? Yes

(If answer is "Yes," give in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.)

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
J. M. Smith	3613 Iberville st New Orleans La.	Position Carpenter Department or office Naval station	Brother-in-law	Married.
Josie Buras	Station B	Position Post Office clerk Department or office Post Office	Nephew	Single
		Position Department or office		

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

No

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

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Commerce	Lighthouse	(2d Asst. Kpr. Asst Keeper	$456 p.a.) 660 P.A.	Aug. 3, 1914 Aug. [illegible]	Sept 10th 1917
			576 p.a.		

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

No.

20. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.) No.

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

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

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

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

Relationship (widow or orphan)

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

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

23. What was your occupation prior to entering ni ce (It is answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 18, 19, 20, and 21.)

River Pilot, Sailor, rigger, and worked as Blacksmith & Machinist helper.

24. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public Schools

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

Mechanical

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

Lighthouse Service Aug 25 1913.

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

Yes.

Date, April 22, 1918.

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Maurice Duralde

P. O. Address: Box 334 Galveston
City or town.

Number and street.

Texas
State or Territory.

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

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Reviewed, approved, and forwarded April 23, 1918.

(Signature) R R Darby

(Official title) Inspector, 8th ~~Lighthouse~~ District

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Sir:

Referring to the assistance rendered by you on June 23, 1918, to the gasoline launch TEXAS JACK, in the vicinity of your light station, in pulling it off the jetty and towing it into smooth water where the launch was anchored, and later in towing the launch to Galveston, the Department commends you for the service thus rendered, which will be noted on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD
Secretary.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Assistant Keeper, Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses)

LIGHTHOUSES---Appointment Division's files

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD

Exact copy as signed by

Mailed JUL 18 1918 by

Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., (City.) August 14 (Date.) 1918.

LIGHT HOUSES AUG 17 1918

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion and appointment.

Name, Maurice Durabb. Legal residence, Louisiana.

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $624 per annum.

Location, Horn Island Light Station, Mississippi. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective August 10, 1918, { the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~[1]

Former position, First Assistant Keeper. Former salary, $576 per annum.

Location, Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.

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

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Previous incumbent, Andrew E. Steiner. Services terminated, June 30, 1918.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Due to the emergency existing at this station, caused by the resignation of both keepers, Maurice Durabb was assigned to duty on August 10, 1918.

8/19/18 a.m.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 191

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 17 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN AUG 19 1918 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Acting Commissioner

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 19, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, Keeper, in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Six Hundred and Twenty-Four dollars per annum, effective August 10, 1918.

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(By transfer from first assistant keeper at $576. per annum.)

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice: Andrew E. Steiner.
Legal Residence: Louisiana.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

LIGHT SEP 9 1918 HOUSES

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Maurice Durabb, CHIEF CLERK

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.

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Maurice Durabb.
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 3rd day of Sept, A. D. 1918.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) John H Turner

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires 17th Jan 1921

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present: Keeper in the Light-house Service	$624 per annum.	Horn Island Light Station, Miss.
Former [5]: 1st Asst. Kpr. in the L.H.Service	$576 p.a.	Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.

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

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Office of ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~ SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Eighth District

New Orleans, La., September 5, 1918.
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on August 10, 1918.
(Date)

(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 after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector 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 lighthouse inspectors 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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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 20, 1918.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $624 per annum to $900 per annum, effective November 1, 1918.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED NOV 2 1918 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OR BASIS OF THIS ACTION SEE
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LIGHT HOUSES NOV 8 1918

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

NOV 8 1918 9 56 AM

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~, Eighth DISTRICT.

CHIEF CLERK

New Orleans, La., November 5, 1918.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is transmitted the resignation of the following-named employee: 1918 NOV 12 AM 8 4

Name, Maurice Durabb. Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

Legal residence, Louisiana Station, Horn Island Light Station, Mississippi.

Salary, ~~$624.00~~ 900 new rate per annum.

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of November 15, 1918.

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

Remarks:

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Horn Island Light
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Nov, 1918

LIGHT
NOV 8 1918
HOUSES

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Sir.

Will state that on account of ill health I am compelled to leave this Station so except this as my resignation to take effect Nov 15th

Respectfully
M. Durabb.
Keeper.

November 13, 1918.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the chief of bureau, to take effect at the close of business on November 15, 1918.

Bureau Lighthouse Service
Position Keeper
Salary $900 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 13 1918 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JOURNAL

Respectfully,

(signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Maurice Durabb,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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