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Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
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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
Ellis, James, M.		1862 NC

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: 1915 MD

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (MD/VA) ~~5th district~~	From: 1908	To: 1915
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:

Folders

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

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STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00074596S0

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Attendant Signature:

Remarks:

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- ☐ Items Removed and User Informed
- Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Total Requests:
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- Final Return:

ELLIS, JAMES M.

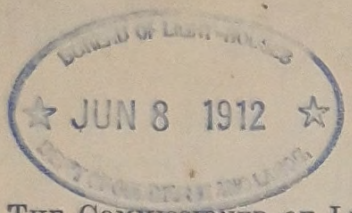
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ELLIS, JAMES M.

Form 73 **ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE**

Department of Commerce and Labor CM.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Fifth DISTRICT,
Baltimore, Maryland
June 7, 1912. , 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Appointment

Name, James M. Ellis Legal residence, Maryland

Position, Assistant Keeper Salary, $480.00 per annum

Location, Lazaretto Point Lightstation, Md.

Effective July 1, 1912 ~~or on the actual date of entrance on duty~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Assistant Keeper Former salary, $40.00 per mo.

Location, Lazaretto Point Lightstation, Md.

Rank in list of eligibles, Rating, Percentage,

Other eligibles considered,

Letters of declination inclosed,

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

Remarks: To be paid from the appropriation, "Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses."

Rulander
Inspector

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

JUN 21 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

11—2314

~~Acting~~ Commissioner

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

June 29, 1912.

Mr. James M. Ellis,

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, Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, effective July 1, 1912.

(By change from $40 per month.)

E.O.D. July 1, 1912.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY.

F
D

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Maryland.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
MAR 17 1914
HOUSES

Dep. Commr.
Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
E. C. G.
Examiner.
Personnel.
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Commr.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

(In duplicate)

FROM.

One inclosure.

Sandy Point Lightstation, Md.
Emergency transfer.

OK JCM Mar 17

March 16, 1914

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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The Bureau is informed that James M. Ellis, assistant keeper, Lazaretto Point Lightstation, Md., has been transferred temporarily to the position of assistant keeper at Sandy Point Lightstation, Md. 480

This emergency transfer was demanded by the resignation of George Otto, assistant keeper of Sandy Point Light, and the necessity for the efficient conduct of that station, which is considered a very important aid. It was also made at the request of the keeper of Sandy Point Light, whose letter is attached.

As soon as a permanent assistant keeper is appointed at Sandy Point Light, and reports for duty, Mr. Ellis will be directed to return to Lazaretto Point Light.

It was thought that the services of an assistant at Lazaretto Point Light could better be spared than at Sandy Point Light and Bureau approval of my action is requested.

The necessary steps have been taken preliminary to the appointment of an assistant keeper at Sandy Point Light.

Rutland.
JCM

HRW-McC.

March 27, 1914.

Subject: James M. Ellis, transfer.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information, and with recommendation that the Department authorize the detail of Ellis to Sandy Point Light Station, Maryland, for a period not to exceed three months from March 16, 1914.

The Fifth Inspector has been directed in future temporary transfers of this kind to submit form 73a in the usual manner.

Acting Commissioner.

HRW-McC.

Jas. M. Ellis,
transfer.

March 27, 1914.

Lighthouse Inspector, Baltimore, Md.

Referring to your letter of March 16, 1914, reporting the temporary transfer of James M. Ellis from the position of assistant keeper of Lazaretto Point Light Station, Maryland, to the same position at Sandy Point Light Station, Maryland.

The Bureau has requested the Department to approve the detail of Ellis to Sandy Point Light Station for a period not to exceed three months from March 16, 1914. In this connection, you are advised that form 73a may be used for reporting temporary transfers, as well as for reporting permanent transfers. In future cases of this kind you should use form 73a. Had form 73a been issued in this case, it would, of course, have been necessary to have stated that Ellis was transferred vice Otto, and the new appointee would have been vice Ellis. In using form 73a in future similar cases it would be well to state the reasons for not making the transfer permanent.

Acting Commissioner.

COPY- JL

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of the Chief Clerk
Washington

March 31, 1914.

Sir:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 27th instant, you have been detailed for duty at Sandy Point Light Station, Maryland, for a period not to exceed three months, beginning March 16, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) T. J. Fitzgerald
Acting Chief Clerk.

Mr. James M. Ellis,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

noted 4.3.14

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT APR 4 1914 HOUSES

Dep. Commr,
Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Examiner.
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Chf. Clk.
Commr.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

James M. Ellis,
termination of emergency detail.

Apl. 3, 1914.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES.

The Bureau is informed that the emergency detail of James M. Ellis as assistant keeper of Sandy Point L.S., Md., terminated at the close of today, April 3, 1914.

Mr. Ellis was relieved by Mr. Bruce Pounds, the recently appointed assistant keeper, assigned to this station.

Mr. Ellis returned to Lazaretto Point L.S., his regular station, and will be regarded as entering on duty thereat on April 4, as he will be paid for his services at Sandy Point L.S. up to the close of April 3, he having served his watch this date from midnight to sunrise.

Rulands.
JOR

noted 4.9.14 mcd

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
APR 6 1914
Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner.

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 8 1909
NO.

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(Read the instructions on the reverse side of this Form before attempting to fill it out.)

1. Bureau: Light-House Service
2. Where employed: Lazaretto Point Light-Station, Md.
3. Name: James M. Ellis
4. Where born: North Carolina
5. Age: 28
6. Position: Assistant keeper
7. Compensation: $40 per mo
8. When appointed (*a*): Entered on duty Apr. 17, 1908. ~~October 20, 1908~~
9. How appointed (*b*): Through Civil Service Examination
10. Appointed from:
    - State: Maryland
    - Congressional District: Third
    - ~~County~~: Baltimore City
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*): Classified Competitive
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No
13. Other Government service: None
14. Duties (describe fully): Assists in care and preservation of station
15. Efficiency:
    - Quantity of work (*d*): 10 tenths
    - Quality of work (*e*): Excellent
    - Interest manifested in work (*f*): Yes
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes
17. Remarks (*g*):

CAPTAIN, U. S. N.
NAVAL SECRETARY

Robt. D. Russell
Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 6th Light House Dist
Head of Bureau or Office.

June 5, 1909, 19

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

MAY 13 1911

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name James M. Ellis 2. Age 31 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Lighthouse Service 4. Position Assistant Keeper.

5. Compensation $40.per mo. 6. Where employed Lazaretto Point Light, Md.

7. When appointed (*a*) Oct.20,1908 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service examination.

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified competitive.

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No. If so, state the amount

12. Other Government service None.

13. Duties (describe fully) Assists in care and maintenance of station.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No. If so, state them

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	90	2	180 00
Quality of work	85	3	255 00
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	85	3	255 00
Attendance	100	2	200 00
Total		10	890 00
Average percentage			89 00

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16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.)

Is not a purely routine employee and manifests interest in his work and in the service.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.)

Fair equivalent.

If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be.

19. Is this employee superannuated? No. If so, what percentage of salary is unearned?

20. Remarks: (*e*)

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

W. R. Stayton

Commander, U. S. N. Inspector 13th Dist.

The official who approves the statements thus submitted will sign here—

Chief of Bureau or Office.

LIGHT
JUN 3 1914
HOUSES

JUN 3 1914

Sir:

Referring to report of assistance rendered by you on May 26, 1914, to a man who was overboard from the steamer Charles H. Warner, off Lazaretto Point, Maryland, you are commended for the assistance rendered on that occasion, which fact will be noted on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

James M. Ellis, Assistant Keeper,
Lazaretto Point Light Station, Md.,
Through Commissioner of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES---Bureau's files.

Exact copy as signed by A. L. THURMAN

Mailed JUN 3 - 1914 by

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

JUN 3 1914

To Lighthouse Inspector Baltimore, Md.,

...r files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

Chief Clerk.

Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES MAY 29 1914

REOM.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., May 28, 1914
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer

Name, James M. Ellis — Legal residence, Maryland

Position, 1st Asst. Keeper — Salary, $480. per annum

Location, Smith Point L. S., Va. — Appropriation, "Salaries, Keepers"

Effective June 10, 1914 — [1] ~~the date of his appointment~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Asst. Keeper — Former salary, $480. per annum

Location, Lazaretto Point L. S., Md.

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

There were no other applicants for transfer to this position.

Previous incumbent, William L. Evans — Services terminated to at close of June 9, 1914.

Reason, Resignation

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: This recommendation is made at the request of Mr. Ellis, letter attached. Mr. Ellis was also in the Office today and signified his willingness to be transferred to Smith Point L.S.

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

Secretary, Civil Service District

Inspector.

Enclosure

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

MAY 29 1914

Acting Commissioner

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
JUN 3 1914
HOUSES

June 1, 1914.

Mr. James M. Ellis,

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 Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum,

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

(By transfer from assistant keeper at $480 per annum.)

E & D June 10, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

M
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: William L. Evans.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

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JUN 3 1914

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUN 24 1914
HOUSES

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

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

FCR--REOM.
7-6-14 Letter to 4 & 6
Copy to 5.

Watchman, U.S.Lighthouse Depot,
Lazaretto Point, Md.

CMOW

June 23, 1914

Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses with the statement that the question of transfer of an assistant keeper or keeper in the lighthouse service of this District to depot watchman has heretofore been taken up with the Secretary of the Fourth Civil Service District. Twice by letter to this Office he has stated that such transfer could not directly be made. However, when at this Office on June 6, 1914 he stated that such transfer might be arranged if all the facts in any particular case were submitted to him.

This Office is willing to consider Mr. Ellis in connection with other deserving keepers and assistant keepers who have applied for such transfer.

Mr. Ellis has only recently been appointed First Assistant Keeper of Smith Point Light Station, Va. with compensation of $480. per annum and rations commuted.

Entered service Apr 17, 1908 from

Watchman is no longer a noneducational position. Its now an educational position of 2nd grade. Ellis would have to pass exam which Commission could make Non-Competitive.

R. Ruland.
Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES ACKOWLEDGED JUN 18 1914 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES ANSWERED JUN 6 1914 Copy 5 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

LIGHT JUN 17 1914 HOUSES

L. H. INSPECTO 5th Dist. RECEIVED JUN 20 1914

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C. June 16th 1914.

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

Gen. dir. & answer finally when case closed HRW

LIGHT JUN 24 1914 HOUSES

Hon. Geo. R. Putnam,
Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have been asked to write to you regarding James M. Ellis, who is now an assistant lighthouse keeper at the "Lazaretto" station near Baltimore. His friends who saw me were anxious to have him transferred from the position of assistant keeper to that of watchman. They tell me that Mr. Ellis desires this change.

If you can serve him in this matter, I will appreciate it very much.

Very truly yours,

Chas P. Coady

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
JUN 17 1914

To Lighthouse Inspector, Baltimore, Md.
for remark and return. See your letters of June 9 and 12, 1914, relative to a watchman for the Portsmouth depot. The Bureau is now informally communicating with Bureau of the Census relative to the 4 watchmen to be laid off by them on July 1, 1914.

Acting Commissioner.

HRW

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. M. Ellis,
pplication,
transfer.

July 6, 1914.

Hon. Chas. P. Coady,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Referring again to your letter of June 16, 1914, in behalf of the appointment of Mr. James M. Ellis, first assistant keeper, Smith Point Light Station, Virginia, at $480 per annum, to the position of watchman at $540 per annum, at the Portsmouth Lighthouse Depot, Virginia, I beg to advise you that the name of Mr. Ellis is being considered in connection with other employees of the Lighthouse Service as may be available for consideration for appointment to the position in question. What you have to say in regard to Mr. Ellis will be properly considered.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner.

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RECM

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 5th DISTRICT

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 14, 1914
(City.) (Date.)

SEP 10 1914
HOUSES

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer

Name, James M. Ellis

Position, Assistant Keeper

Location, Love Point L.S., Md.

Effective Nov. 1, 1914.

Former position, 1st asst. Kpr.

Location, Smith Point L.S., Va.

Rank on eligible list, Passed, Subjects considered:

Previous incumbent, Thomas C. Lonergan Services terminated, At the close of Sept. 30, 1914.

Reason, Resignation.

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: This transfer is recommended at the request of Mr. Ellis, see his letter attached hereto.

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

Sir:

The Department commends you for going to the assistance on August 31, 1914, of two men in a motor boat, the engine of which had become disabled, in the vicinity of your station, and will note the fact on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

There were no other applicants for transfer to the position of asst. keeper at this station. No available asst. at a lower salary at other stations in the District.

Legal residence, Maryland

Salary, $480. per an.

Appropriation, Salaries, Kprs., Lighthouses.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Assistant Secretary.

Supt. L.H.S.

Mr. James M. Ellis,
First Assistant Keeper, Smith Point Light Station, Va.
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses).

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
OCT 15 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved

To Lighthouse Inspector Baltimore, Md.
for files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner: Attached to Incl
Copy of Commendation to Mr. Hudgins.
See Govt. Files, epoct of Sept 2-1914. TSC

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD

Chief Clerk.

Exact copy as signed by

Mailed SEP 10 1914 by

Acting Commissioner

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

REOM

LIGHT OCT 15 1914 HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., (City.) Oct. 14, (Date.) 1914

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer

Name, James M. Ellis — Legal residence, Maryland

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $480. per an.

Location, Love Point L.S., Md. — Appropriation, Salaries, Kprs., Lighthouses.

Effective Nov. 1, 1914 — [1] ~~date of approval of this nomination~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 1st Asst. Kpr., — Former salary, $480. per an.

Location, Smith Point L.S., Va.

Rank on eligible list, Rating, Percentage, , Other eligibles considered:
There were no other applicants for transfer to the position of asst. keeper at this station. No available asst. at a lower salary at other stations in the District.

Previous incumbent, Thomas C. Lonergan ✓ Services terminated, At the close of Sept. 30, 1914. ✓

Reason, Resignation.

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: This transfer is recommended at the request of Mr. Ellis, see his letter attached hereto.

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

, 191 In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Hawkins

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Supt., L.H.S. ✓

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 15 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

HTBB ✓

Acting Commissioner

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
OCT 19 1914
HOUSES

October 16, 1914.

Mr. James M. Ellis,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum,

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

(By transfer from first assistant keeper at $480 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY.

Chief of Appointment Division.

C

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Thomas C. Lonergan.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

11—3692

OCT 19 1914

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUL 10 1915
HOUSES

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Dftsmn.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

Love Point L.S., Md.
Death of Assistant Keeper Ellis

All directions & data for proper report of death to be

July 9, 1915

To Dept @ prop time

Relief & dispatch boat sent with this delay

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.

The Bureau is informed that this Office is in receipt of unofficial advices to the effect that the assistant keeper of Love Point L.S., Md., Mr. James M. Ellis, was found dead near the light station in one of the station boats, July 8, 1915.

The matter is being investigated and proper forms will be sent to the Bureau in due course.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Supt., L.S.

JEL

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

JUL 22 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

The Inspector has been requested to state whether or not Ellis had been allowed leave in excess of the accrued rate, and also exact date of death, if known. The Department will be further advised.

Acting Commissioner.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

L. H. INSPECTOR JUL 15 1915 BALTIMORE, MD.

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

WFO

Death of Asst.Keeper at Love Point Light Station.

FIFTH DISTRICT

Love Point Light Station,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

July, 14th, 1915, 191

LIGHT JUL 21 1915 HOUSES

Light House Inspector,

Baltimore, Md.

Sir:

I Respectfully submit my report concerning the death of James M Ellis, Asst.Keeper at this Station, July, 8th, 1915. I left the station on July 5th, at 2 P M to visit my family, and buy provisions, intending to return to the station July, 8th, at 9 A M Mr Ellis was in the best of health on my departure. Leaving Baltimore at 7 A M, July 8th. on Steamer Westmoreland, the master sounded his whistle passing close by the house which was the usual custom to let one another know that the other was on the boat, and wanted to get to the station. The whistle was not answered by the assistant, and I could see no-one stirring around on the house. After landing at Love Point, at 9 A.M. I had some difficulty getting a boat to get off, finially hiring a gasoline launch, and reaching the station at 5.30 P.M. I found the boat lowered, unhooked, a hole stove in her bow, and filled with water. Mr. Ellis was dead, laying face downward. I made the boat fast, and tied the body. By this time it was sunset, going up in the lantern room I found everything in first class condition Lamps all trimmed, filled, lens cleaned, and already for lighting. The light was burning bright and regular on Wensday Night July, 7th. This information was received from the people at the Love Point summer resort, and Capt. Clark of the Excursion steamer Westmoreland. The body stayed in the boat untill 8.30 A M July, 9th. when Two men came out in a launch with orders to take the body ashore, where I supposed an inquest was held. Dr. Kemp of Stevensville said the man's death was due to heart trouble

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BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FIFTH DISTRICT

(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

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The body was removed from Love Point Wharf by Tender Maple July 9th, at 2 P.M.

Respectfully,

Anders Simonsen Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUL 21 1915
HOUSES

One inclosure.
REOM.
Love Point Light Station, Md.
Death of Assistant Keeper Ellis.

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Mar. Engr.
Accounts.
Chf. Clk.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

7/22/15 - Wrote Keeper & Bureau

July 20, 1915

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.

Referring to letter from this Office of July 9, 1915, above subject.

There is inclosed herewith report of keeper Simonsen of Love Point Light Station relative to the death of assistant keeper Ellis.

This report was received here on July 15, 1915 and it was originally intended to send it to the Bureau with completed Form C.A.-3a in the case but owing to the form being incorrectly prepared it will have to be returned to the keeper for correction and it was thought best to transmit the keeper's report herewith separately.

As soon as corrected form C.A.-3a is received it will be sent to the Secretary of Labor through the Bureau.

King
Lighthouse Inspector.

Ellis might have need some shoes from column #2?

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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James M.Ellis,
leave.

July 22, 1915.

Lighthouse Inspector, Baltimore, Md.

Referring to your letters of July 9 and 20, 1915, reporting the death of James M. Ellis, assistant keeper of Love Point Light Station.

State whether or not Ellis had been allowed leave in excess of the accrued rate, in accordance with Regulations, 1914, par. 470, and also state exact date of death if practicable. See your letter of July 20, 1915, in this case, which is being held for further report.

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

July 24, 1915

REOM.

James M. Ellis,
leave.

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.

Replying to Bureau's letter of July 22, 1915 above subject.

The Bureau is informed that to the date of his death, July 8, 1915, Mr. Ellis had not been granted leave in excess of the amount accrued.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Hawkinson

Supt., L.S.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

JEL JUL 27 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

See Bureau indorsement of July 22, 1915, in this case.

Acting Commissioner.

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Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comm
Comm.

July 29, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Fifth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 22nd instant, reporting the death, on July 9, 1915, of James M. Ellis, assistant keeper of Love Point Light Station, Maryland, at $480 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

JUL 31 1915

To Lighthouse Inspector Baltimore, Md.,

for files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

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Acting Chief Clerk.

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Jas. M. Ellis.

James M. Ellis

INACTIVE

STATE FROM WHICH APPOINTED
Maryland

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	OFFICE, BUREAU, OR DIVISION	DATE APPOINTED
Asst Kpr. Lazaretto Pt. Md.	$420	Light-House	April 17-1908.
" " " " "	$40.mo	"	July 1. 1908
" " " " "	$480.	"	July 1. 1912
1st Asst. Kpr., Smith Point L.S. Va.	$480.	"	June 10, 1914.
Asst. Kpr., Love Point L.S Md.	480	"	Nov. 4, 1914.
Died July 8. 1915.			
		INACTIVE	

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LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

Washington

James M. Ellis,
probationary appointment.

April 30, 1908.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
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DEPT. OF COMMERCE & LABOR

The Honorable

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. James M. Ellis, of Md., as assistant keeper at Lazaretto Point Light-Station, Md., at $420 a year, effective beginning April 17, 1908, the date of his entrance on duty, in the place of Mr. James M. Hill, who was by Department letter of April 13, 1908, transferred. ef apr 17.08 n cwd

Mr. Ellis has passed the required civil service examination, obtained an average of 91.3 per cent in class III, and stands No.1 on the eligible list, being considered with Messrs. Charles O. Peel and John Williams.

5-1-08 no papers sent

Respectfully,

J. N. Helm

Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

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1st on eligible list.
Considered with:
Charles O. Peel
John Williams.
5th Insp. D.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

May 2, 1908.

Mr. James M. Ellis, of Maryland, having qualified under the civil-service regulations, is hereby appointed Assistant Keeper of Lazaretto Point Light-Station, Maryland, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Four Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, for a probationary period of six months, effective beginning April 17, 1908, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (vice James M. Hill.)

Retention in the service after the expiration of probationary period shall be equivalent to absolute appointment.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

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TO DISBURSING OFFICER
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

CARDED

Acting Secretary.

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The Light-House Board.

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Enclosure.

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD.

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD, RECEIVED MAY 20 1908

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

RECEIVED JUN 1 - 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

No. ----------

I, James M Ellis

do solemnly[a] swear 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.**

James M Ellis

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date Apr. 17, 1908
W H Wandmark
Chief Clerk.
H B

[b] sworn and subscribed before me, this 18th day of May, A. D. 1908

REVELL D. BROWN NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND

Affix official seal.

[c] Name: H. C. Brown

Official title: Justice of the Peace.

CANCELED

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
asst Keep	Loyasetto Point, N C.	Maryland	

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

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] 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. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED JUN 1 - 1908 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE

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Enclosure. LIGHT HOUSE BOARD. RECEIVED MAY 20 1908

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

No. ----------

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED MAY 28 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

CARDED.

December 17, 1906.

To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce and Labor:

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 officer in immediate charge should review the information given by the appointee or employee, and if correct, should forward the form to the Chief of the Bureau without delay. The information called for by the questions in Part II should then be supplied and the form forwarded to the Department.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED MAY 28 1908 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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Secretary.

PART I.

(Part I should be executed 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.) James McCallion Ellis

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

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

Baltimore City Maryland

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

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

5. Where were you born? Straits North Carolina

6. When were you born? December (Month.) 17 (Day.) 1880 (Year.)

7. Are you pensioned by the U. S. Government? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") No

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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.
		None		

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.)

by filling out the Blank

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

None at all

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.)

No Sir

12. 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.)

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
		No Sir	

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

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

14. 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 for the Government, indicated in your answers to questions 11, 12, and 13.)

for the last 9 year was in the N.G. Co of Baltimore going to sea

15. 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.)

Common School 4 grade

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

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

for the L.H. Service & Last January
abut the middle of month

18. 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.)

Written by me

19. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. middle of month, 1907 (May 18, 1908.)

Witness: (Signature) James McEllis

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: 1429 Patterson Park ave
Number and street.
Baltimore Maryland
City or town. State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded May 19, 1908.

(Signature) Edward Lloyd

(Official title) Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 5th L. H. Dist.

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.

Light-House Service (Bureau or Service.) Lazaretto Point, Md. (Place (city, town, or station).) Fifth (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Assistant Keeper, Lazaretto Point Light, Md.

3. State the date of appointment. May 2, 1908.

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

April 17, 1908.

5. State the date of the oath. May 18, 1908.

6. State the date the appointee or employee entered on duty. April 17, 1908.

7. What is his salary? $420. per annum.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries of Keepers of Light-Houses.

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

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

11. In what manner did the appointee or 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.)

Non-educational examination.

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

(Signature) Edward Lloyd

Date: May 19, 1908. (Official title) Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 5th L. H. Dist.

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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OFFICE OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED OCT 19 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of the Inspector, 5th L. H. Dist.,

Baltimore, Md.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED OCT 19 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

October 10, 1908.
(Date)

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) reappointment
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)

of (2) James M. Ellis E. not reported of (3) Maryland
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)

from (4) Assistant Keeper
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)

at (5) Lazaretto Point Light-Station, Md.
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)

at (6) $ 420. per an. to (7) Assistant Keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)

at (8) Lazaretto Point Light-Station, Md. at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)

(9) $ 40. per mo., effective beginning (10) July 1, 1908 (the date
(Salary recommended)

of his entrance on duty) ~~(or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty)~~
(Strike out the clause not appropriate)

~~in the place of (11)~~
(State name of *last* person holding position)

~~who (12)~~ on (13)
(Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) (Last day of service)

~~Mr. (14)~~ ~~stands No. (15)~~ ~~in list of eligibles,~~

~~Class (16)~~, ~~with an average of (17)~~ ~~per cent, and~~

This increase is recommended in accordance with the
~~was considered with (18)~~

Board's letter of July 15, 1908. Approval of Equalization Report
~~(19) letters of declination of~~ herewith.

Respectfully,

Robt. D. Russell

Commander, U. S. N., Inspector 5th L. H. Dist.

10-20-08

OFFICE OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITTEN OCT 20 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

October [illegible], 1908.

Approved, and respectfully forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED OCT 19 1908 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Jas. L. Casey

Lt. Colonel, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.,

Engineer Secretary.

NOTE.—This form should be sent to the Light-House Board in duplicate. Letters of declination, if any, should be sent with this letter.

This letter is returned for correction of items Nos.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT-PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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October 20, 1908.

Mr. James M. Ellis, of Maryland, is hereby appointed Assistant Keeper of Lazaretto Point Light Station, Maryland,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Forty dollars per month,

this appointment to be effective beginning July 1, 1908, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (vice himself.)

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

(By promotion from $420 per annum.)

CARDED

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REPORTED
OCT 21 1908
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Acting Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

The Light-House Board.

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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, James M. Ellis

do solemnly[a] swear 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.

James M. Ellis

[b] sworn and subscribed before me, this 30th day of October, A. D. 1908

(Affix official seal here.)

[c](Name:) H. C. Brown

(Official title:) Justice of the Peace.

OFFICIAL TITLE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Asst. keeper, $40. per month	Lazaretto Point Light station, Md.	No. Carolina	Maryland

OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 5th LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., (Address.) October 31, 1908. (Date.)

CARDED.

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on July 1, 1908. (Date.)

(Signed:) Robt. Russell

Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 5th L. H. Dist.

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

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] 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.

NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be executed at any time subsequent to the actual issuance of the appointment certificate, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form. Whenever possible the oath should be executed upon the date of actual entrance upon duty.

A letter of transmittal (use Form 95) should accompany Oath, stating the **exact** date of the entrance on duty of the appointee and the above blank also filled out and properly signed by the district officer.

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

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Department of Commerce and Labor.

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 8 1909
NO.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(Read the instructions on the reverse side of this Form before attempting to fill it out.)

1. Bureau Light-House Service
2. Where employed Lazaretto Point Light-Station, Md.
3. Name James M. Ellis
4. Where born North Carolina
5. Age 28
6. Position Assistant keeper
7. Compensation $40 per mo
8. When appointed (*a*) April 17, 1908.
9. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service Examination
10. Appointed from — State: Maryland; Congressional District: Third; ~~County~~: Baltimore City
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No
13. Other Government service None
14. Duties (describe fully) Assists in care and preservation of station
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (*d*): 10 tenths; Quality of work (*e*): Excellent; Interest manifested in work (*f*): Yes
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes
17. Remarks (*g*)

O. R.

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Lt. Colonel, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.,
Engineer Secretary.
CAPTAIN, U. S. N.
NAVAL SECRETARY

Robt. S. Russell
Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 6th Light House Dist
Head of Bureau or Office.

June 5, 1909, 19

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

MAY 13 1911

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name James M. Ellis 2. Age 31 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau ~~Lighthouse Service~~ 4. Position Assistant Keeper.

5. Compensation $40. per mo. 6. Where employed Lazaretto Point Light, Md.

7. When appointed (*a*) Oct. 20, 1908 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service examination.

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified competitive.

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No. If so, state the amount

12. Other Government service None.

13. Duties (describe fully) Assists in care and maintenance of station.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No. If so, state them

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.	
Quantity of work	90	2	180	00
Quality of work	85	3	255	00
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	85	3	255	00
Attendance	100	2	200	00
Total		10	890	00
Average percentage			89	00

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED JUN 21 1911 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) ..... is not a purely routine employee and manifests interest in his work and in the service.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) Fair equivalent.

..... If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be. .....

19. Is this employee superannuated? No. If so, what percentage of salary is unearned? .....

20. Remarks: (*e*) .....

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

W. Rhett Stayton

Commander, U. S. N. Inspector, 6th Dist.

The official who approves the statements thus submitted will sign here—

L. R. Putnam

Chief of Bureau or Office.

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Form 73

ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 8 1912
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor OM.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Fifth DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Maryland

June 7, 1912. 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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JUN 21 1912
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Appointment

Name, James M. Ellis Legal residence, Maryland

Position, Assistant Keeper Salary, $480.00 per annum

Location, Lazaretto Point Lightstation, Md.

Effective July 1, 1912 ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

Former position, Assistant Keeper Former salary, $40.00 per mo.

Location, Lazaretto Point Lightstation, Md.

Rank in list of eligibles, Rating, Percentage,

Other eligibles considered,

Letters of declination inclosed,

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

Remarks: To be paid from the appropriation, "Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses."

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Inspector

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

JUN 21 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

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APPT DIV
JUN 29 1912
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

G T Putnam

~~Acting~~ Commissioner

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

June 29, 1912.

Mr. James M. Ellis,

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, Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, effective July 1, 1912.

(By change from $40 per month.)

Not to be reported to C. S. C.

CARDED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION. REPORTED JUN 29 1912 TO DISBURSING CLERK DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Maryland.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

OFFICE OF DISBURSING CLERK
RECEIVED
JUL 19 1912
DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES
JUL 18 1912
DEP'T OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, James M. Ellis

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.

☞ James M. Ellis
(Appointee signs here)

[2] sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 16th day of July, A. D. 1912

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) H. C. Brown

(Official title) Justice of the Peace.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Assistant Keeper	$480.00 p.a.	Lazaretto Point L. S., Md.

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

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
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JUL 20 1912
DEP'T OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 5th District

Baltimore, Md., (Address) July 17, 1912 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on July 1, 1912 (Date)

Formerly Assistant Keeper, Lazaretto Point Lightsta., Md., at $40.00 per mo.

CARDED

E. O. Rulland
(Signature, followed by title) Inspector

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

March 27, 1914.

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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
MAR 31 1914
DEPT OF COMMERCE

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MAR 28 1914
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Subject: James M. Ellis, transfer.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information, and with recommendation that the Department authorize the detail of Ellis to Sandy Point Light Station, Maryland, for a period not to exceed three months from March 16, 1914.

The Fifth Inspector has been directed in future temporary transfers of this kind to submit form 73a in the usual manner.

E C Gillette
Acting Commissioner.

3-28-14

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
MAR 17 1914
HOUSES

(In duplicate)

REOM.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

One inclosure.

Sandy Point Lightstation, Md.:
Emergency transfer.

March 16, 1914

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The Bureau is informed that James M. Ellis, assistant keeper, Lazaretto Point Lightstation, Md., $480 has been transferred temporarily to the position of assistant keeper at Sandy Point Lightstation, Md. $480.

This emergency transfer was demanded by the resignation Mar 15/14 of George Otto, assistant keeper of Sandy Point Light, and the necessity for the efficient conduct of that station, which is considered a very important aid. It was also made at the request of the keeper of Sandy Point Light, whose letter is attached.

Bruce Pennies appt D.L. Mar 25 - on E O d

As soon as a permanent assistant keeper is appointed at Sandy Point Light, and reports for duty, Mr. Ellis will be directed to return to Lazaretto Point Light.

It was thought that the services of an assistant at Lazaretto Point Light could better be spared than at Sandy Point Light and Bureau approval of my action is requested.

The necessary steps have been taken preliminary to the appointment of an assistant keeper at Sandy Point Light.

3-28-14

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

L. H. INSPECTOR
5th Dist.
RECEIVED
MAR 16 1914
LIGHT
MAR17 1914
HOUSES

FIFTH DISTRICT

Sandy Point Light St
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

March 15, 1914

Light House Inspector

Sir:

I respectfully report that Mr. George Otto reported for duty on the 14th but had to leave to day account of being Sick and father may be dont think at he will bee able to perform his duty on a Light House in the Bay please send me a man as soon as practible by a Tender as I am alone I cant go in the Boat after him.

Respectfully
Edward Jansen
Keeper

Wrote HOLLY March 16/14--JFR

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March 31, 1914.

Sir:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 27th instant, you have been detailed for duty at Sandy Point Light Station, Maryland, for a period not to exceed three months, beginning March 16, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) T. J. FITZGERALD

ACTING Chief Clerk.

Mr. James M. Ellis,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAR 31 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE ON JOURNAL

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES APR 4 1914

REOM.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

CHIEF CLERK APR 8 1914

James M. Ellis,
termination of emergency detail.

Apl. 3, 1914.

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES.

The Bureau is informed that the emergency detail of James M. Ellis as assistant keeper of Sandy Point L.S., Md., terminated at the close of today, April 3, 1914.

Mr. Ellis was relieved by Mr. Bruce Pounds, the recently appointed assistant keeper, assigned to this station.

Mr. Ellis returned to Lazaretto Point L.S., his regular station, and will be regarded as entering on duty thereat on April 4, as he will be paid for his services at Sandy Point L.S. up to the close of April 3, he having served his watch this date from midnight to sunrise.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 9 1914 DEPT. JOURNAL OF COMMERCE

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CARDED.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
APR 6 1914
Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

S Conway
Acting Commissioner.

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES MAY 29 1914

REOM.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., May 28, 1914
(City.) (Date.)

CHIEF CLERK MAY 29 1914

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer

Name, James M. Ellis 89%

Legal residence, Maryland

Position, 1st Asst. Keeper

Salary, $480. per annum

Location, Smith Point L. S., Va.

Appropriation, "Salaries, Keepers" 7/1/14

APPOINTMENT DIVISION JUN 1 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Effective June 10, 1914

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

Former position, Asst. Keeper

Former salary, $480. per annum

Location, Lazaretto Point L. S., Md.

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

There were no other applicants for transfer to this position.

Previous incumbent, William L. Evans Services terminated at close of June 9, 1914.

Reason, Resignation

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: This recommendation is made at the request of Mr. Ellis, letter attached. Mr. Ellis was also in the Office today and signified his willingness to be transferred to Smith Point L.S.

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

Ruland.

Secretary, Civil Service District

Inspector 7CR

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Enclosure

6/1/14 MMC

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

MAY 29 1914

Acting Commissioner

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

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
MAY 29 1914
HOUSES

FIFTH DISTRICT

Layretto Light Station
(Station, Depot or Vessel.)

May 28, 1914

Light House Inspector

Sir

I now make affliction for first asst Keper at Smiths Point Light Station.

yours Respectfully
James M Ellis
asst Keper Layretto Light
Foot Clinton St
Canton

L. H. INSPECTOR,
5th DIST.
MAY 28 1914

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 1, 1914.

Mr. James M. Ellis,

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 Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum,

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

(By transfer from assistant keeper at $480 per annum.)

CHANGE REPORTED
JUN 1914
U. S. COMMISSION.

CARDED.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

M
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: William L. Evans.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

JUN 1 1914

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L. H. INSPECTOR
5th Dist.
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JUN 8 1914
LIGHT HOUSES

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK
JUN 22 1914
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APPOINTMENTS
JUN 23 1914

I, James M. Ellis

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.

☞ James M Ellis (Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 15th day of June, A. D. 191 4

(Affix official seal here)

(Name) H. Gordon Bleunday

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 1st Asst. Kpr.	$480. p.a.	Smith Pt. L.S., Va.
Former[5] Asst. Kpr.	480. " "	Lazaretto Pt. L.S., Md.

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

REOM.

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 5th District

CARDED.

Baltimore, Md., (Address), June 17, 1914 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on June 10, 1914 (Date)

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Hawkinson

(Signature, followed by title) SUPERINTENDENT

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

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JUN 3 1914

Sir:

Referring to report of assistance rendered by you on May 26, 1914, to a man who was overboard from the steamer Charles H. Warner, off Lazaretto Point, Maryland, you are commended for the assistance rendered on that occasion, which fact will be noted on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary.

James M. Ellis, Assistant Keeper.
Lazaretto Point Light Station, Md.,
Through Commissioner of Lighthouses.

LIGHTHOUSES---Appointment Division's files
Exact copy as signed by A. L. THURMAN
Mailed JUN 3 - 1914 by

LIGHT
SEP 10 1914
HOUSES

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Sir:

The Department commends you for going to the assistance on August 21, 1914, of two men in a motor boat, the engine of which had become disabled, in the vicinity of your station, and will note the fact on the records as part of your official history.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

Mr. James H. Ellis,
First Assistant Keeper, Smith Point Light Station, Va.
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses).

LIGHTHOUSES---Appointment Division's files

Exact copy

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

REOM

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 15 1914

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 14, 1914
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer

APPOINTMENT DIVISION OCT 16 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK OCT 16 1914

Name, James M. Ellis

Position, Assistant Keeper

Location, Love Point L.S., Md.

Effective Nov. 1, 1914

Legal residence, Maryland

Salary, $480. per an.

Appropriation, Salaries, Kprs., Lighthouses.

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

APPOINTMENTS OCT 16 1914

Former position, 1st Asst. Kpr.,

Location, Smith Point L.S., Va.

Former salary, $480. per an.

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

There were no other applicants for transfer to the position of asst. keeper at this station. No available asst. at a lower salary at other stations in the District.

Previous incumbent, Thomas C. Lonergan Services terminated, At the close of Sept. 30, 1914.

Reason, Resignation.

Relatives in Government Service, None

Remarks: This transfer is recommended at the request of Mr. Ellis, see his letter attached hereto.

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

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In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Hawkinson

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Supt., L.H.S.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 15 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

10-16-14

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner

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

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 15 1914

FIFTH DISTRICT

Smith.Point .L.S.Va,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct,13., 1914

Light.House,Inspector, Baltimore,Md,

Sir,

In reply to your letter of Oct.I.1914. I would like verymuch to have the place ,as Asst,kpr, of Love Point.L.S. Md, if there is a vancy

Respectfully,

James M. Ellis

I.st,asst Keeper,

Giles. Hudgins
Kuper.

L. H. INSPECTOR,
5th DIST.
OCT 14 1914

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 16, 1914.

Mr. James M. Ellis,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

~~Assistant Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

at a salary of ~~Four Hundred and Eighty~~ dollars per ~~annum~~,

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

(By transfer from first assistant keeper at $480 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CHANGE REPORTED NOV 1914 U. S. COMMISSION.

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY.
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Thomas C. Lonergan.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 16 1914 ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

L. H. INSPECTOR
5th Dist.
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NOV 4 1914

LIGHT
NOV 6 1914
HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK
NOV 12 1914

APPOINTMENT
NOV 13 1914

I, James M. Ellis

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.

James M. Ellis
(Appointee signs here)

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

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) C. S. Dorsey

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present Asst. Keeper	$480. p.a.	Love Point L.S., Md.
Former[5] 1st Asst.Kpr.	$480. " "	Smith Point L.S., Va.

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

REOM

CARDED

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 5th District

Baltimore, Md., (Address) Nov. 5, 1914 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Nov. 1, 1914 (Date)

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Ray L Hawkinson
(Signature, followed by title) Supt., LHS

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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUL 10 1915
HOUSES

REOM.

Love Point L.S., Md.
Death of Assistant Keeper Ellis.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

CHIEF CLERK
JUL 23 1915

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July 9, 1915

APPOINTMENTS
JUL 23 1915

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.

The Bureau is informed that this Office is in receipt of unofficial advices to the effect that the assistant keeper of Love Point L.S., Md., Mr. James M. Ellis, was found dead near the light station in one of the station boats, July 8, 1915.

$480.

The matter is being investigated and proper forms will be sent to the Bureau in due course.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Supt., L.S.

REOM

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JEL

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUL 22 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

The Inspector has been requested to state whether or not Ellis had been allowed leave in excess of the accrued rate, and also exact date of death, if practicable. The Department will be further advised.

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES JUL 26 1915

REOM.

James M. Ellis,
leave.

dost. keeper $480
Love Point L.S., Md.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

CHIEF CLERK JUL 28 1915

July 24, 1915

APPOINTMENTS JUL 28 1915

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ACKNOWLEDGED JUL 29 1915 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.

Replying to Bureau's letter of July 22, 1915 above subject.

The Bureau is informed that to the date of his death, July 8, 1915, Mr. Ellis had not been granted leave in excess of the amount accrued.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Supt., L.S.

7/28/15 JEL

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUL 27 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.
See Bureau indorsement of July 22, 1915, in this case.

Acting Commissioner.

July 29, 1915.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Fifth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 22nd instant, reporting the death, on July 8, 1915, of James M. Ellis, assistant keeper of Love Point Light Station, Maryland, at $480 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 29 1915 DEPT. OF JOURNAL COMMERCE

ORANGE REPORTED JUL 1915 U. S. COMMISSION.

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