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

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

Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Gaither, John, W.		1853 MD

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: 1928 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) 5th District	From: 1919	To: 1920
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location) Soundex = G 360	From:	To:

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

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Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Time Out:

Final Return:

John W. Gaither

INACTIVE

LEGAL RESIDENCE
Maryland

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
2nd Mate U.S.V.T.S.	1200	U.S.V.	Feb. 1, 1919
Keeper Baltimore U.S. Md.	$720	"	May 12, 1919
" Greenbury Point U.S. Md.	"	"	Nov. 16, 1919
RESIGNED CLOSE OF		March 31, 1920	

INACTIVE

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Form 73

NOMINATION

CHIEF CLERK 5 SPECIAL

MEM

1919 JAN 31 PM 4

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Supt.
OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Fifth DISTRICT

Baltimore, Md. (City.) January 28, 1919 (Date.) 191

SECOND DISTRICT
JAN 29 1919
FEB 1 PM 3 10
Received

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Thro' Sec'y 4th Civil Service District)

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, John W. Gaither — Legal residence, Md.

Position, Second Mate — Salary, $ 1200. p.a.

Location, Light Vessel # 72 — Appropriation, Salaries, Lighthouse Vessels

LIGHT JAN 30 1919

JAN 30 1919

Effective February 1, 1919 — {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, None — Former salary,

Location,

APPOINTMENTS

Rank on eligible list, 1 — Rating, Mate 84 — Percentage, 96. , Other eligibles considered:
Luther H. Muse - 82.4 - C - Mate register
~~Stephen Self - 80. - A - Pilot~~

DIV FEB 8

Previous incumbent, Alfred B. Muse — Services terminated, Close of Sept. 6, 1918.

Reason, Transferred

Members of family in Government Service, 5/cousins in military service - 4 in France and one stationed at Camp Meade.

Remarks: The position, as above, has been vacant for some time. After transfer of Mr. Muse, the vacancy was filled by detail until some time in Nov. Up to the present time there were no available eligibles to nominate. It is considered practicable, and in the interest of the Service, to appoint nominee effective on above date.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, 1/29/, 1919

L. H. Fisher 4th — H. D. King

Secretary, Civil Service District. — Supt. of Lighthouses

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JAN 31 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1919 JAN 31 PM 4

Approved: G. R. Putnam

William Redfield
Secretary.

FEB 3 - 1919
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

FEB 1919

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

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

February 1, 1919.

M r. John W. Gaither,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Second Mate in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of One Thousand Two Hundred dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. ____)
issued by the Secretary of the 4th Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 3 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

(Signed) Clifford Hastings
Chief of Appointment Division.

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CARDED

Appropriation: Salaries, Lighthouse Vessels.

Vice: Alfred B. Muse.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

(See reverse side.)

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

PORTSMOUTH FEB 11 1919 L. H. DEPOT

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES FEB 12 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES FEB 20 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

APPOINTMENTS FEB 24 1919

LIGHT FEB 24 1919 HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, John W. Gaither

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.

John W. Gaither
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 19th day of February, A. D. 1919

CHIEF CLERK

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) W. G. Becerra

(Official title) Notary Public

1919 FEB 24 PM 2 06

My commission expires December 8, 1919.

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Chief Cl.
2 A Supt.
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Mech.
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2 Drafts
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Personnel
Cont. Kpg.
File Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present 2nd Mate	$ 1320. (actual) $ 1200. p.a. (base)	Light Vessel # 72
Former [5] None		

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

Supt.

Office of ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~, Fifth District

(Address) (Date)

CARDED

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on February 1, 1919 (Date)

H. D. King

(Signature, followed by title)

Supt. 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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SUPT. OF LIGHT HOUSES JAN 27 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS FEB 24 1919

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

LIGHT FEB 24 1919 HOUSES

(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.)

John William Gaither

CHIEF CLERK

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

1919 FEB ~~24~~ PM 2 06

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

Light-House Dept #72 Lt. Shp | 5th

Bureau or Service. | Place (city, town, station, or vessel) | District.

4. Position to which appointed 2nd Mate

5. Compensation ~~1380~~ $1320.00/100 per Ann.

6. Appropriation from which paid

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.)

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

Baltimore | Md | #918 William St | 5th

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

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

Registered Voter 2nd precinct - 24th Ward. Balto Md

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

11. Where were you born? A. A. Co. Md

12. When were you born? March (Month.) 22nd (Day.) 1853 (Year.)

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

14. What is your marital condition? Wife & 3 Children

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

Mrs. M. D. Gaither (Name.) | 918 William (Number and street.)

Baltimor City (City or town.) | Maryland (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? No

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

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
D. Arthur Gaither	1742 E. Federal St.	Position Aviation Corps in France	Cousin	Single
	Balto. Md.	Department or office Corps.		
R. Gaither	503 N. Schr.	Position Infantry	"	"
	eder St. Balto	Department or office Corps.		
Raymond. Gaither	201 Stewart	Position Eng. Corps.	"	"
	St. Philada.	Department or office Corps.		

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.) No

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

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 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.)

Master & Mate of Coastwise and Inland Steamers unlimited Tonnage

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 of Balto City and Balto. City High School a Graduate of each

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.")

Marine

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

For Mate on Ft H. Vessels - Jan. 1919
For Keeper of Stations, 5th Dist - Jan/19-

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 I wrote them

Date, 1/27, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) John W. Gaither

P. O. Address: Baltimore City
City or town.
918 William St
Number and street.
Maryland
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.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded February 21, 1919, 191

(Signature) H. D. King

(Official title) Supt. of Lighthouses

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Form 73

MEM

APR 12 1919 3 42 AM

NOMINATION

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LIGHT HOUSES APR 12 1919

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Supt. Fifth DISTRICT.

Baltimore, Md. (City.) April 11, 1919 (Date.) 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer, probationary appointment.

APPOINTMENTS

Name, John W. Gaither Legal residence, Md.

CHIEF CLERK

Position, Keeper (asst), 1919 APR 18 PM 3 15 Salary, $ 720. p.a.

Location, Seven Foot Knoll Light Station, Md. Appropriation, 1919 Appropriation, Lighthouse Vessels

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Baltimore Md

Effective May 1, 1919 ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Second Mate Former salary, $ 1200. p.a.

Location, Light Vessel # 72.

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

Previous incumbent, Roland M. Midgett Services terminated, Close of April 26, 1919

Reason, Temporary appointment expires.

Members of family in Government Service, 3 cousins in army.

Remarks: Mr. Gaither in his probationary period which began February 1, has proved unsuitable for position of Mate on Light Vessel. It is proposed to try him as Assistant Keeper. The new appointment should be probationary, as there is some doubt as to his being satisfactory as assistant keeper, on account of personal peculiarities. Letter Apl. 10 from Commanding Officer L.V. 72 attached.

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

Received 4/21/19

H. D. King

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Supt. of Lighthouses.

APR 21 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 17 1919

4-18-19

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, ~~approved~~ recommended for approval of the transfer and demotion of Gaither as above proposed, for the reason stated. The Fifth Superintendent will, however, be advised that the probationary period of Gaither cannot be extended beyond six months from date of Gaither's original appointment as second mate, as provided by Rule VII, paragraph (c), Civil Service Rules. The action recommended will not be in violation of section 2, rule 1, of the Civil Service Rules.

Approved: 1919 APR 19 PM 1 13 1919 APR 18 PM 1 30

E. F. Bowers

Acting Secretary.

Commissioner

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

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES APR 11 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

FIFTH DISTRICT

Diamond Shoals L.V. # 72
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

April 10th 1919

LIGHT APR 12 1919 HOUSES

Superintendent of Light Houses
Baltimore. Md.

Sir

I respectfully requist that the Second Officer John. W. Gaither. be transfaired from this ship. For the following reason; he is not abel to purform the dutys required of the Second officer. and he is also a truble maker. Demoralises the crew with his fo̊lish talk. Will not ardour to the instructions of the Service. He knows every thing better than the mate and I (who) have Spent years in the Service.

Respectfully
C. L. Swanberg
Master L V # 72.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 21, 1919.

Mr. John W. Gaither,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum,

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

(Reappointment by change from Second Mate at $1200 per annum.)

CARDED

APR 21 1919

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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amended

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Roland M. Midgett. Olof Johnson

APR 21 1919

Legal Residence: Maryland.

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U. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES MAY 9 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

APPOINTMENT MAY 19 1919

LIGHT MAY 19 1919 HOUSES

I, John W. Gaither

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.

1919 MAY 19 PM 2 12

John W. Gaither

(Appointee signs here)

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[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 8th day of May, A. D. 1919

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) H. C. Pugh Head

(Official title) Chief Clerk, 5th L. H. Dist.

My commission expires .....

Official Title	Rate of Pay (base)	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$ 720. p.a.	Baltimore Light Station, Md.
Former[5] 2nd Mate	$1200. p.a.	Light Vessel #72

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

Office of Lighthouse ~~Inspector~~ Supt., 5th District

MMY Baltimore, Md. (Address) May 17, 1919 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 12, 1919 (Date)

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J. D. King

(Signature, followed by title) Supt. of Lighthouses

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CARDED

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[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.

C. S. REPORT DATE

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

ENTERED

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Cross Reference

May 12, 1920, the Bureau of Lighthouses reports, a list of persons with dates who served at Baltimore Light Station as Assistant keeper since December 25, 1918, the date of Mr. Kuhn's transfer from that Station.

Olaf Johnson	Jan. 25, 1919.
John W. Gaither	May 12, 1919.
John W. Higbee	Nov. 16, 1919.
James W. Simpson	April 6, 1920.

See file of Robert Kuhn for original report.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE, MD.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

APPOINTMENTS

LIGHT HOUSES
APR 22 1919
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 6TH DISTRICT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

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MEM

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Cor. Cons.
Cor. Engr.
Counsel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comm.
Commr.

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April 21, 1919.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

1919 APR 29 AM 9 23

Subject: Transfer, John W. Gaither, 2nd Mate to Asst. Keeper, Balto. Lt.

1. It is requested that on nomination Form 73, John W. Gaither, location to which it is expected to transfer Mr. Gaither, be changed to Baltimore Light Station, Md., in lieu of Seven Foot Knoll Light Station, previous incumbent Olaf Johnson who is being transferred to Seven Foot Knoll, in lieu of Roland M. Midgett.

REGARDED
Bureau of Lighthouses
APR 28 1919

Supt. of Lighthouses.

4-29-19

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

1919 APR 28 PM 4 00

H. B. Bourgeois
Acting Commissioner

APR 24 1919 8 55 AM

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BALTIMORE MD

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES BALTIMORE MD

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Dep. Commr.
Commr.

APPOINTMENTS

LIGHT
APR 24 1919
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT 5TH DISTRICT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

April 23, 1919

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1. Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C., for amendment to read "Vice: Olaf Johnson" in lieu of "Roland M. Midgett". Reference is made to my letter of April 21 regarding this matter.

CARDED

1919 APR 26 PM 2 15

Supt. of Lighthouses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED ACTION TAKEN APR 29 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

APR 25 1919

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 29 1919 JOURNAL OF COMMERCE

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

1919 APR 25 PM 4 02

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner.

4-26-19 File

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Mr. Clifford Hastings C. a.
Bureau of Light- Houses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
MOTION TAKER
AUG 14 1919
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Dr Sir. I want to give you some information in regards to my experience since I have been in your employ. every Co. I have worked for since I Started in the Marine business will give you a good repitation for me but your Lt- Ship Men became jealous of me because they know I am an old Mariner and they thought- I would get their jobs and Consequently I was transferred to the Lt. House Service and I had made an application for one of the Shore Lights when you were so Scarce of Men. but- Capt. King requested me to go on Diamond Shoals Lt- V. #72 to help him out- and I filled his request- for over 3 months and then was transferrd to Balto. Lt- temporar- -ily and I can assure you that- Some of these Men you have in charge of these Lights are the worst- class of Men that- ever a man has had to deal with. I have been Captain of Vessels ever since 1889 and having charge of all the Men I can assure you that- all of

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the Crews I have had in that time would give up their jobs to day to come back with me if I was on the Merchant Marine Ships now and that will show you that I treat them justly. I am an educated man and can Keep Books also. So if you have an opening in your Service I will greatly appreciate you if you will place me in a position that I do not have to contend with these Square heads you have in the Lt House Service. I am now Suffering with the Muscular Rheumatism in My Left Knee on account of the Dead Light in My Stateroom on # 72 Leaking during that S. E. Blow we had in April and I do not desire to put any one in any trouble. So if you have a Show Light either here in this district or on the Delaware I will appreciate it: or if a position in any of your Depots of Supplies I will be glad to help you out.

Most Fraternally and Respectfully Yours.

Capt: John W. Gaither
918 William St
Balto. City Md

August 14, 1919.

Dear Sir;

Replying to your personal letter of the 12th instant, I beg to advise you that your eligibility as keeper will not permit of your employment in a clerical position. Eligibility for such a position must be secured through a civil service clerk examination. If you wish to take such an examination, information concerning the same may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. If your position is unsatisfactory and you desire to take steps with a view to making a change, I would suggest your making application to the Superintendent of the Fifth Lighthouse District, Baltimore, Md.

Permit me further to suggest that if you make up your mind to accept conditions as you find them and work in harmony with your fellow officers, the difficulties which you appear to be encountering will rapidly disappear.

Very truly yours,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Captain John W. Gaither,
918 William Street,
Baltimore, Md.

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REPORT OF TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT.

Baltimore, Md. October 18, 1919, 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

CHIEF CLERK

The following-named employee will be transferred as indicated, and will enter upon duty at his new station on November 16, 1919.

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APPOINTMENTS

Name, John W. Gaither — Position, Keeper (720. Asst)

From Baltimore Light Station, Md. — To Greenbury Point L.S., Md.

Previous incumbent, Thomas R. Williams

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Services terminated, Close of November 15, 1919 Reason, Dismissed from Service.

No report

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W. D. King

Supt. of Lighthouses

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The above-referred-to transfer became effective beginning with .....

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 20 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 21 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

Conway

Acting Commissioner.

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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

APPOINTMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1920 MAR 24 PM 4 25

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~INSPECTOR~~ Supt. 5th DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md., March 22, 1920. , 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

CHIEF CLERK

Name, John W. Gaither Position, Keeper

Legal residence, Md. Station, Greenbury Point, Md.

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Salary, $ 720. per annum (base)

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of March 31, 1920.

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

Remarks: Suitable successor will be nominated at the earliest practicable date. Letter of resignation attached hereto.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION MAR 25 1920 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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King

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

MAR 23 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Conway

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR
22
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BALTIMORE, MD.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

March 22, 1920.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Sir:

I hereby tender my resignation as Assistant Keeper, Greenbury Point Light Station, to become effective March 31, 1920.

Respectfully,

John W. Gaither

Assistant Keeper.

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Personnel ✓
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

March 25, 1920.

Mr. John W. Gaither,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Bureau, to take effect at the close of business on March 31, 1920.

Bureau..... Lighthouse Service, 5th District.
Station..... Greenbury Point Light Station, Md.
Position..... Keeper.
Salary..... $720. per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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