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Date: 8/4/2025 (AUG 04 2025 PM12:45)

## REQUESTER INFORMATION

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

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

| Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle) | Service Number/SSN | Date & Place of Birth |
|---|---|---|
| Irison, Elijah | | 1851 VA |

## 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: 1914 VA

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 (VA) | | |
| From: 1891 | To: 1913 | |
| (Agency & Location) | | |
| From: | To: | |
| (Agency & Location) | | |
| From: | To: | |

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

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## STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00060747427

Attendant Signature:

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Remarks: Submitted to Arch Search 7/30/25 KH
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### SCREENING NOTES

☒ Reviewed and Nothing Removed KH ☐ Items Removed and User Informed

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

Screened Items:

☐ Additional charge outs and signatures on reverse side

Time Out:

Final Return:

IRISON, ELIJAH

IRISON, ELIJAH

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

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JUN 13 1912

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, Elijah Irison Legal residence, Virginia

Position, Assistant Keeper Salary, $480.00 per annum

Location, Tue Marshes Lightstation, Va.

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

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

Location, Tue Marshes Lightstation, Va.

**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.

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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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~~Acting~~ Commissioner

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

June 29, 1912.

Mr. Elijah Irison,

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.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

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July 1, 1912.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Virginia.

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December 20, 1913.

Sir:

Having tendered your resignation as assistant keeper of Tue Marshes Light Station, Virginia, at $480 per annum, the Department has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of December 31, 1913.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Elijah Irison,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
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NO.

# EFFICIENCY REPORT

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

1. Bureau Lighthouse Service 2. Where employed Tue Marshes Light-Station, Va.
3. Name Elijah Irison 4. Where born Virginia
5. Age 42 6. Position Assistant keeper
7. Compensation $40. per mo 8. When appointed (a) December 21, 1891. Oath December 25, 1891.
9. How appointed (b) Prior to Classification.
10. Appointed from: State Virginia; Congressional District 2d; County James 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 maintenance 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

Robert D. Russell
Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 5th Light House Dist
*Head of Bureau or Office.*

June 5, 1909.

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

# Department of Commerce and Labor

## EFFICIENCY REPORT

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(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 Elijah Irigon 2. Age 43 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Lighthouse Service 4. Position Assistant Keeper.

5. Compensation $40.per mo. 6. Where employed Tue Marshes Light,Va.

7. When appointed (*a*) Dec.21,1891 8. How appointed (*b*) Prior to classification.

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) | 100 | 3 | 300 | 00 |
| Attendance | 100 | 2 | 200 | 00 |
| Total | | 10 | 935 | 00 |
| Average percentage | | | 93 | 50 |

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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, 5th Dist.

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

*Chief of Bureau or Office.*

Elijah Drison

Elijah Drison

INACTIVE

| STATE FROM WHICH APPOINTED |
| --- |
| Va. |

## STATUS

| DESIGNATION | SALARY | OFFICE, BUREAU, OR DIVISION | DATE APPOINTED |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ax. Tue Marshes Lt, Va. | $ 43.33 pa. | Light-House | Position from Treasury 7-1-03 |
| Asst. Keeper Tue Marshes, L.S. Va. | $40. mo | " " | July 1. 1908 |
| " " " " " " | $480. | " " | July 1. 1912 |
| Resigned eff Dec 31. 1913. | | | |

INACTIVE

(FORM No. 71.)

# CERTIFICATE OF EXAMINATION OF ACTING LIGHT-HOUSE KEEPER.

*The Light-House Board,*

*Washington, D. C.*

*I hereby certify that, in accordance with instructions received from the Light-House Board, I have examined* Mr. Elijah Irwin, Asst. ....., *now Acting* ..... *Keeper at* Poor Man's Rock Va *Light-Station, and that I consider* he *competent to perform the duties of the position. I therefore recommend that* he *receive a full appointment in place of the acting appointment* he *now holds.*

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Commander, U. S. N.

*Inspector* ..... *L.-H. Dist.,*

May 23, 1892

*Approved, and respectfully forwarded to the Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury,* May 24 '92

Assistant Secretary

[Ed. 2-19-'90—1,000.]

# PERSONAL INFORMATION SHEET

NOTE.—This sheet is to be used only in cases of persons transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor, by operation of law, July 1, 1903.

## Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

*May 15, 1904.*

**To the Heads of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce and Labor:**

For the purpose of enabling the Department to obtain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are hereby requested to furnish the information called for in Part II of this form, relative to each appointee or employee, now in the service, who was serving in your Bureau June 30, 1903, and was transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor July 1, 1903, pursuant to the acts of Congress approved February 14, 1903, and March 3, 1903, and to have every such person answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. Officers in charge, subordinate to heads of Bureaus, are expected to review this sheet, after it has been executed, to see that all questions have been answered, and, after doing so, to forward it immediately to the head of the Bureau for transmission to the Department.

Geo. B. Cortelyou

*Secretary.*

## PART I.

**(Blanks in Part I are to be filled 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 is to 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.) Elijah Hinson

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? Elijah Hinson

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

Croaker (City or town.) Virginia (State or Territory.) Jamescity (County.) 2d (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? Jamescity Co Va

6. When were you born? Sept (Month.) 18th (Day.) 1846 (Year.)

7. Are you pensioned by the United States 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 Government? (If so, give below their names, relationship, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed, and the positions they occupy.) no

| Name. | Relationship. | Department. | Bureau or Service. | Position. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

9. How long were you in the civil service of the United States Government prior to July 1, 1903?

From Dec 24th 1891

10. 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: "Appointed before position was classified;" or, "By reinstatement;" or, "By transfer from ————," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Appointed by Sec of Treasury, recommended by Collector of Customs & Examined by U.S. Inspector

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

Eye sight corrected by Glass

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

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

13. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time, other than during the Civil and Spanish-American wars, 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 9, 12, and 13.)

Boat-man

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.")

Public school

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

Not any of the above

17. What, if any, civil service examinations have you passed? (State name and date of each, as near as you recollect.)

Not any

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.)

No. James B Hurst Susan Virginia

19. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. May 31st, 1904

Witness:

(Signature) Elijah Drison

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Croaker
City or town.

Number and street.

Virginia
State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded JUL 6 1904, 190

(Signature) H W Lua

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

## PART II.

**(Blanks in Part II are to be filled 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 above questions was employed July 1, 1903.

Lt.Ho.Establishment. (Bureau or Service.) Tue Marshes Lt.Ho.Va. (Place (city, town, or station).) Fifth (District.)

2. What position did he hold July 1, 1903? Assistant keeper.

3. On what date was he appointed to this position? December 21,1891.

4. How long had he served in the Bureau or Service in which he was employed July 1, 1903?

Eleven years, six months, ten days.

5. What was his salary July 1, 1903? $435. per annum.

6. From what appropriation was he paid July 1, 1903?

Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses,1904

7. Was the position he held July 1, 1903, excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules?

Competitive.

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8. If the position was classified, state the date of classification. May 6, 1896.

9. If the appointee or employee was appointed through examination, state the kind of examination. If not so appointed, state how he entered the position. (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" or, "By reinstatement;" or, "By transfer from ————," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Appointed before position was classified.

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

(Signature) H W Lea

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

Date: JUL 6 1904, 190

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

# Department of Commerce and Labor

12031 LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED OCT 14 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The Light-House Board,
Washington, D. C.

October 9, 1908.
(Date)

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) reappointment
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) Elijah Irison of (3) Virginia
(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) Tue Marshes Light-Station, Va.,
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $ 435. per an. to (7) Assistant Keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Tue Marshes Light-Station, Va., at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $ 40. month, 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 Board's
~~was considered with (18)~~
letter of July 15, 1908. Approval of Examination Papers
~~(19) letters of declination of~~ ~~herewith.~~

Respectfully,

Robt. D. Russell
Commander, U.S.N., L. H. Inspector.

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# Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

October 13, 1908.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED OCT 14 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED OCT 14 1908 TO APPOINTMENTS DEP'T OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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

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

12031

October 16, 1908.

Mr. Elijah Irisco, of Virginia, is hereby appointed Assistant Keeper of Tue Marshes Light-Station, Virginia, 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 $35 per annum.)

APPROVED

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
REPORTED
OCT 19 1908
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Acting Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

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OCT 1908
C.C. Commerce

The Light-House Board.

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Form 111

# OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Enclosure. LIGHT HOUSE BOARD RECEIVED NOV 15 1908

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED NOV 27 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

## Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Elijah Drison of James City County, Va 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.

Elijah Drison

[b] Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of November, A. D. 1908

(Affix official seal here.)

[c] (Name:) Alberto A. Mitchell

(Official title:) NOTARY PUBLIC.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 6, 1911

| Official Title. | Name of Station. | State or Country in which born. | State or Territory from which appointed. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Assistant Keeper $40. per month | Tue Marshes Light-Station, Va. | Virginia | Virginia |

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

Beltimore, Md. (Address.), November 14, 1908. (Date.)

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

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED NOV 27 1908 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

(Signed:) Robt. D. 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.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED NOV 27 1908 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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 Lighthouse Service 2. Where employed Tue Marshes Light-Station, Va.
3. Name Elijah Irison 4. Where born Virginia
5. Age 42 6. Position Assistant keeper
7. Compensation $40. per mo 8. When appointed (a) December 21, 1891. Oath December 25, 1891
9. How appointed (b) Prior to Classification.
10. Appointed from — State Virginia; Congressional District 2d; County James 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 maintenance 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)

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

Robert D. Russell
Commander, U. S. N., Inspector, 5th Light House Dist
Head of Bureau or Office.

June 5, 1909.

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

# EFFICIENCY REPORT

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(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 Elijah Irison 2. Age 43 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Lighthouse Service 4. Position Assistant Keeper.

5. Compensation $40. per mo. 6. Where employed Tue Marshes Light, Va.

7. When appointed (*a*) Dec. 21, 1891 8. How appointed (*b*) Prior to classification.

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) | 100 | 3 | 300 | 00 |
| Attendance | 100 | 2 | 200 | 00 |
| Total | | 10 | 935 | 00 |
| Average percentage | | | 93 | 50 |

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED JUN 21 1911 DEPT.

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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—

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

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

*Chief of Bureau or Office.*

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

**Department of Commerce and Labor**

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JUN 8 1912

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

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED JUN 9 - 1912 DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

**Action proposed,** Appointment

Name, Elijah Trison — Legal residence, Virginia

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $480.00 per annum

Location, Tue Marshes Lightstation, Va.

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

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

Location, Tue Marshes Lightstation, Va.

**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."

6-27-12

Rutland
**Inspector.**

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**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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APPOINTMENT DIVISION APPOINTMENT WRITTEN JUN 29 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

G. B. Putnam
~~Acting~~ Commissioner

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Washington

June 29, 1912.

Mr. Elijah Irison,

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.

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

CARDED.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY.

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Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Virginia.

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Form 111

**OATH OF OFFICE**

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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Carded in the Disbursing Office

OFFICE OF DISBURSING CLERK RECEIVED AUG 13 1912 DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

**Department of Commerce and Labor**

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Elijah Trison

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.

Elijah Trison

(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) to and subscribed before me, this[3] 13th day of August, A. D. 1912

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) T. T. Hudgins, Clerk of the

(Official title) Circuit Court, York Co. Va.

The State Stamp not required on this paper

| Official Title | Rate of Pay | Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment |
|---|---|---|
| Asst. Keeper | $480.00 p.a. | Tue Marshes, Va. Lightsta. |

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

CARDED

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED AUG 20 1912 DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 5th District

Baltimore, Md., (Address) Aug. 15, 1912 (Date)

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

By change from per month to per annum salary.

E. E. Rutland

(Signature, followed by title) Inspector

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

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

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

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

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

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Form 93

LETTER TRANSMITTING RESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 5th DISTRICT,

December 16, 1913

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Elijah Irison Position, Assistant Keeper

Legal residence, Virginia Station, Tue Marshes Lightstation, Va.

Salary, $480. per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of Dec. 31, 1913

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

**Remarks:**

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Inspector.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

DEC 17 1913

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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E. C. Gillette

Acting Commissioner

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE SERVICE

L. H. INSPECTOR'S OFFICE
5th Dist. LIGHT HOUSES
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FIFTH DISTRICT

True Marshes Lt. STATION Va.

December 13, 1913

Light House Inspector.

Sir.

owing to the condition of my Assistant Elijah Srison which has unfit him for longer service, said condition caused by sickness and failing health he requested me to send in his Resignation to take Effect December 31st 1913 he also request that you give him a discharge Certificate.

Respectfully

Yours

John F. Jarvis

Keeper.

December 20, 1913.

Sir:

Having tendered your resignation as assistant keeper of Tue Marshes Light Station, Virginia, at $480 per annum, the Department has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, effective at the close of December 31, 1913.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. BEADLEY,

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. Elijah Irison,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Mar. 16, 1914.

To The Department of Commerce & Labor,
Washington, D. C.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
ANSWERED
MAR 18 1914
DEPT OF COMMERCE

Gentlemen,

I write to ask if there is anything you can do to give me any financial aid. My husband Elijah Dixon served as assistant Light-House Keeper of Ive Marsh Lighthouse for 22 years. He had to reign that positin in Dec. 1913 on account his health.

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He has a large family to support with no means to do it with. His health is almost entirely gone, he is not able to do any work at all.

If there is any provision made for such, please inform me and see that I have the benefit of the same. He was a faithful servant to the government and filled his post until he was honorably discharged. I think that you will agree

March 18, 1914.

Madam:

In response to your inquiry of the 16th instant, the Department regrets to advise you that there is no provision of law under which the Government could afford any financial aid to your husband, Elijah Irison, who formerly occupied the position of assistant keeper of Tue Marshes Light Station, Virginia.

Very truly yours,

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

Mrs. Callie Irison,
Norge, Virginia.

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