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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
Kaufman, Percy, M.H.		

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:
- ☐ Air Force
- ☐ Army Air Corps
- ☐ Army Air Force
- ☐ Army
- ☐ Marine Corps
- ☐ Navy
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Rank:
- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):
- ☐ 1939 & Prior
- ☐ 1940 - 1950
- ☐ 1950 & After

Date & Place of Death:

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (CT/NJ/NY) 3rd District	From: 1926	To: 1926
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location) K155	From:	To:

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

Researcher Signature: andrew Burns

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Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Remarks:

26 OCT 8 AM 10:33

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☒ Reviewed and Nothing Removed KW

☐ Items Removed and User Informed

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Total Requests:

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Time Out:

Final Return:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Percy M. H. Kaufman (Name) — N. J. (Legal Residence)

STATUS

11—8040

DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	3d BUREAU—SERVICE—STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
Keeper	Prob. Appt.	1440	L-H - Stratford Shoals LS.	March 23, 1926.
			RESIGNED CLOSE OF Oct 31. 1926	

PERCY M. H. KAUFMAN.

Out

Resigned close 10/31/26

PERCY M. H. KAUFMAN

Form 84

FWO-JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
1926 MAR 10 AM 9 04

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES. Third DISTRICT.

Staten Island, N. Y. March 9, 1926

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

No reply has been received from the Bureau to communication (Form 73)
from this office dated Feb. 24, 1926 on the subject of recommending probationary appointment of Percy M. H. Kaufman as 2nd Asst. Keeper, Stratford Shoal Lt. Sta.

Hydro
Radio
Engr. Corr.
Mar. Eng.
Personnel
Financial
Law and Prop.
Adm Asst.
Dep. Comm.
Comm.

Appl. mailed Supt. on 3/12/26.

J. T. Yates

To be forwarded in duplicate. Indicate in blank space inclosed in parentheses character of the communication, that is, whether letter, indorsement, Form 80, Form 97, etc.

11—6363

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
DETROIT, MICH.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

HMC:AB

LIGHTHOUSES

Enclosure.

1926 MAR 17 AM 9 05

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT 11TH DISTRICT
DETROIT, MICH.

March 15, 1926.

3/17/26
Sent 3/18

Certificate of appointment-
Percy M.H.Kaufman.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

The enclosed notice of appointment dated March 6, 1926, addressed to Percy M.H.Kaufman, is returned herewith as it is apparently intended for some other district.

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Form A-32

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 14, 1926.

Mr. Percy M. H. Kaufman,

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 October 31, 1926.

Bureau ..... Bureau of Lighthouses.

Position ..... Keeper.

Allocation .....

Salary ..... $1440 per annum.

Station ..... Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Light Station, New York.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

OCT 19 1926

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 19 1926 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES

1926 OCT 13 AM 8 39

THIRD DISTRICT

Stratford Shoals
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct. 4, 1926

Supt. of Lighthouses,

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly accept my resignation, as 2nd asst. keeper, to take effect Oct. 31, 1926, at 12 midnight.

I respectfully request an honorable discharge certificate.

I am accepting a clerical position in New York City.

Respectfully
Percy M. H. Kaufman
2nd Asst. Keeper.

Thomas J. Burns
Keeper.

Form 93

FWO-JHG

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. Oct. 11, 1926, 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Percy M. H. Kaufman Position, Keeper

Legal residence, New Jersey Station, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt. Sta., N.Y.

Salary, $1440.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of Oct. 31, 1926

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

Remarks:

J. F. Yates

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Enclosure

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce,

11—4623

APPROVED:

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE.
(This report to be made at expiration of fifth month of service.)

WJL-JHG

LIGHTHOUSES

1926 AUG 20 AM 9 04

CHIEF CLERK
1926 AUG 20 PM 4 00

Third Lighthouse District
(Bureau)
Staten Island, N.Y.

Aug.19,1926
(Date)

The Secretary of Commerce,
(The Chief of Appointment Division):

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on September 22,1926, 192 .

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

Name Percy M. H. Kaufman

Position Keeper

Salary $1440 p.a.

Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Station Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt.Sta., N.Y.

Date of entrance on duty March 23,1926

Remarks:

J. Myers
(Signature of immediate superior.)
Supt., 3rd Lighthouse Dist.

AUG 20 1926

SUBMITTED:

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Head of Bureau or Office.)

(*If unsatisfactory, recommendation for discontinuance under the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil service rule VII, should immediately be forwarded to the Department.)

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

PERSONAL HISTORY

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

LIGHTHOUSES 1926 APR 23 AM 8 47

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE APR 24 1926 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Bureau, division, or office Light Station Service

1. Name in full Percy M. H. Kaufman

2. Legal (voting) residence New Jersey – 11th Dist. (State and Congressional District) Hudson (County) West New York (City or town)

3. Where born? New Jersey (State or foreign country) Jersey City (City or town) When born? ~~Apr. 10~~ March 12, 1904 (Date)

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien

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

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

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

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
None								

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

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

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

Organization .....

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

Organization .....

8.

EDUCATION (Circle number of years)	Common school	High school	College	Degrees, if any
	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 (8)	1 (2) 3 4	1 2 3 4	

9. State special qualifications Can qualify for clerical or minor machanical work

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

Re Miss Mabel G. Kaufman (Name) Sister (Relationship)

164-15 St. West New York N.J. (Post office address)

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

Percy M. H. Kaufman
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

March 28, 1926. (Date) Present address 548-Hudson Av. West New York N.J.

10—1659

Form 111

B.

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1926 APR 23 PM 3 58
CHIEF OF ERA
1926 APR 23 AM 8 47
LIGHTHOUSES
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APR 24 1926
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

I, Percy M. H. Kaufman

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.

Percy M. H. Kaufman
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 22 day of April, A. D. 1926

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) John McNally

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires March 30 / 1927

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$1440 p.a.	Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt. Sta., N. Y.
Former [5]		

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

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 3rd District

Staten Island, N. Y. (Address); April 22-1926 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on March 23-1926 (Date)

CARDED

J. T. Yates
(Signature, followed by title)

Supt. of Lighthouses, 3rd Dist.

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a superintendent of lighthouses or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of superintendent of lighthouses and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.

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

U. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

11—944

Form A-30

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

March 6, 1926.

Mr. Percy M. H. Kaufman,
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 Fourteen Hundred and Forty dollars per annum

effective March 16, 1926, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

Nature of appointment: Probationary.

Civil Service authority: Secretary, Second Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD M. ASHTON
Chief of Appointment Division.

mfc

Appropriation: Such appropriation to which under the provisions of Section 3678, R.S., the duties performed may be properly chargeable.

Vice: William Dalton.

Legal Residence: New Jersey.

11-8657

Form 73

NOMINATION

FWO-JHG

LIGHTHOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT.

Staten Island, N.Y. (City.) Feb. 24, 1926 (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Thro' Sec'y 2nd C. S. Dist.)

Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, Percy M. H. Kaufman

Position, Keeper

Location, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt.Sta., N.Y.

Effective March 16, 1926

Legal residence, New Jersey

Salary, $1440 p.a. (Pay range ($1440 to $1680 p.a.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

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

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 3 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 82.4, Other eligibles considered:
Henry Waring----C. Frederick J. Fox----C.
Raymond J. Sullivan----FR (Name removed from register)

Previous incumbent, William Dalton - 1500 Services terminated, March 15, 1926

Reason, promoted

Mr. Kaufman has had no previous service in the Lighthouse Service. No employee of District desired transfer to this position. There are no quarters for families of keepers at this station.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Date of birth, March 17, 1904

Remarks:
No's 1 and 4 on eligible list will accept appointment only at light stations where family quarters are provided.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the
U. S. Civil Service Commission, MAR 4 1926, 19

W. C. Coles
Secretary, Second Civil Service District.

J. J. Rees

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

APPROVED:
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

11—2314

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

Oath of Office and Ford to Washington — 4/22/26 —

PERSONAL HISTORY

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

B.

Bureau, division, or office Light Station Service

1. Name in full Percy M. H. Kaufman

2. Legal (voting) residence New Jersey — 11th Dist (State and Congressional District) Hudson (County) West New York (City or town)

3. Where born? New Jersey (State or foreign country) Jersey City (City or town) When born? ~~March 17~~, 1904 (Date) March 17-1904

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien

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

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

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

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
none								

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

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

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

Organization .....

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

Organization .....

8. EDUCATION (Circle number of years)

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

9. State special qualifications Can qualify for clerical or minor mechanical work

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

Miss Mabel G. Kaufman (Name) Sister (Relationship)

164-15 St. West New York N.J. (Post office address)

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

Percy M. H. Kaufman
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

March 28, 1926 (Date)

Present address 548-Hudson Av. West New York N.J.

10—1659

CROSS - REFERENCE SHEET

Cross-file UNIT Lucy Kaufman Number 75

Letter from

Date Apr 9 1931

Subject

Correspondence addressed
Lucy Kaufman also
Lucy M.H. Kaufman

Original filed under

Unit Lucy M.H. Kaufman Number 75

WJL:TM 95/2 K

April 9, 1931.

Percy Kaufman,
66 Romaine Avenue,
Jersey City, N.J.

SUBJECT: Dates of service.
REFERENCE: Your letter April 8, 1931.

Sir:

According to the records of this office you entered on duty as a Second Assistant Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station on March 23, 1926 and resigned on October 31, 1936.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES,

Superintendent.

86 Romaine Ave.
Jersey City N.J. Apr. 8, 1931.

Attach
4/9/31

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 9 1931
TO IMPROVEMENTS
RECEIVED
NEW YORK, N.Y.

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Dear Sir,—

Approximately five years ago I was second assistant keeper at Stratford Shoals.

I wish to put in my application for an engineers position with the city and as I've forgotten the dates when I entered and left the service I am writing you for them.

Hoping this will be convenience for you, I remain

Respectfully yours
Percy Kaufman.

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10-31-26

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April 6,1927

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Percy M. H. Kaufman was employed as Second Assistant Keeper at Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Light Station, New York, from March 23,1926 to October 31,1926. One of the duties connected with this position was the operation of 30 horsepower Mietz & Weiss oil engines.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. W. Ockenfels

Assistant Superintendent

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



THIRD DISTRICT

1st Dist
175 Pierce
Supt

Stratford Shoal
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct 31, 1926

These few lines to inform that 2nd Asst Percy Kaufman left this station October 29, at 5 am, after being instructed about having to make up 3 days leave.

Thomas J. Burns
Keeper.

Last day of service Oct 31-1926

Noted 11/5/26

EOD March 23-1926
Leave earned Apl to Oct. inc
7 months @ 5 days P. M. = 35 days leave
To end Sept 18 days 2 hrs
Oct 6 " 6 "
24 " 8 " taken

No deduction
Allen 11/4

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

Stratford Shoal
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct 18, 1926

Per

Supt

These few lines to inform you that 2nd Asst Keeper Percy Kaufman left station on leave Oct 13th at 9.45 am and returned to station today at 3.15 P.M. Oct 18th.

Thomas J. Burns
Keeper.

Form A-32

LIGHTHOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

1926 OCT 20 AM 11 0

October 14, 1926.

Mr. Percy M. H. Kaufman,

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 October 31, 1926.

Bureau..... Bureau of Lighthouses.

Position..... Keeper.

Allocation.....

Salary..... $1440 per annum.

Station..... Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Light Station, New York.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

FWO-JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. Oct. 11, 1926 , 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Percy M. H. Kaufman Position, Keeper

Legal residence, New Jersey Station, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt. Sta., N.Y.

Salary, $1440.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of Oct. 31, 1926

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

Remarks:

Paid
Voucher No.
Check No.

J. T. Yates

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce,

11—4023

Form 93

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, third DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. Oct. 11, 1926, 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Percy H. H. Kaufman Position, Keeper

Legal residence, New Jersey Station, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) L.H. Sta., N.Y.

Salary, $1440.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of Oct. 11, 1926

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

Remarks:

J. T. Yates

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce,

11—4623

Form 93

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FWO-JHG

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. Oct. 11, 1926, 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

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Legal residence, New Jersey Station, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt. Sta., N.Y.

Salary, $1440.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of Oct. 31, 1926

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

Remarks:

J. T. Yates

10/11 Copy to Mess

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce,

Paid 11-5-26
Voc. No. 22326
Check No. 91350
$120.00

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V C. 11/5/26

FWO-JHG

Percy M. H. Kaufman, 2nd Asst.Keeper, Oct. 11,1926
Through the Keeper,
Stratford Shoal Light Station,
P. O. Box 581,
Bridgeport, Connecticut

SUBJECT: Resignation.
REFERENCE: Your letter Oct. 4,1926.

1. Your letter dated Oct. 4,1926 resigning your position as 2nd Asst.Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station, has been received and forwarded to Washington with recommendation that same be accepted, effective at the close of Oct. 31,1926.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FWO-JHB

REGISTERED MAIL
RECEIPT REQUESTED

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

Not sent on account of his resigning effective Close Of 31-26

Oct. 9,1926

Percy M.H.Kaufman, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Stratford Shoal Light Station,
P. O. Box 581,
Bridgeport, Connecticut

Dear Sir:

SUBJECT: Charges.

1. You are hereby charged with making false statements concerning official business of the Lighthouse Service, in that on or about September 17,1926, you endorsed with your signature and title a letter dated September 17,1926 written by Thomas J. Burns, Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station, thereby vouching for the correctness of the contents of the letter so endorsed, whereas you subsequently issued a signed statement stating that "the statements written out by Keeper T. J. Burns and signed by me are false", which signed statement you delivered to William Dalton, 1st Assistant Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station and was later obtained from Mr.Dalton by a representative of this office.

2. You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges, and confined to the point at issue.

3. If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

J. T. Yates

Superintendent

COPY

Stratford Shoals

Oct. 4,1926

Supt. of Lighthouses

Dear Sir;

Will you kindly accept my resignation as 2nd Asst.Keeper to take effect Oct. 31,1926 at 12 midnight.

I respectfully request an honorable discharge certificate.

I am accepting a clerical position in New York City.

Respectfully,

/s/ Percy M. H. Kaufman

2nd Asst.Keeper.

/s/ Thomas J. Burns,

Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
AUG 23 1926
RECEIVED
STAPLETON, N.Y.

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THIRD DISTRICT

Resigned Oct 31-1926

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Stratford Shoals
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Aug. 20, 1926.

Supt. of Lighthouses,
Dear Sir,

I respectfully request for a transfer to the following Stations as second assistant when ever there is a vacancy.

X Execution Rocks N. Y. - Fort Slocum, N. Y.
X Fire Island N. Y. - Fire Island N. Y.
X Governors Island N. Y. - Governors Island N. Y.
X Greens Ledge Conn. - Rowayton Conn.
X Latiners Reef N. Y. - Stonington Conn.
X New Haven Conn. - West Haven Conn.
X New London Ledge Conn. - New London Conn.
X Old Orchard Shoals N. Y. - Stapleton N. Y.
X Pecks Ledge Conn. - South Norwalk Conn.
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X Romer Shoals N. Y. - Tompkinsville N. Y.
X South West Ledge Conn. - New Haven Conn.
X West Bank N. Y. - Tompkinsville N. Y.

Respectfully
Percy M. H. Kaufman
2nd Asst. Keeper.

Thomas J. Burns
Keeper.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

Stratford Shoals
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Aug. 20, 1926.

Supt. of Lighthouses.

Dear Sir,

I respectfully request for a transfer to one of the following stations as second assistant when ever there is a vacancy.

Executions Rocks n. y. - Fort Slocum N. Y.
Fire Island N. Y. - Fire Island N. Y.
Governors Island N. Y. - Governors Island N. Y.
Greens Ledge Conn. - Rowayton Conn.
Latiners Reef N. Y. - Stonington Conn.
New Haven Conn. - West Haven Conn.
New London Ledge Conn. — New London Conn.
Old Orchard Shoals n. y. - Stapleton N. Y.
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Respectfully

Thomas J. Burns
Keeper.

Percy M. H. Kaufman
2nd Asst. Keeper.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

REPORT ON PROBATIONARY APPOINTEE.
(This report to be made at expiration of fifth month of service.)

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(3)

Third Lighthouse District
(Bureau)
Staten Island, N.Y.
Aug. 19, 1926
(Date)

The Secretary of Commerce,
(The Chief of Appointment Division):

The probationary period of the person named below expires at the close of business on September 22, 1926, 192 .

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

Name Percy M. H. Kaufman

Position Keeper

Salary $1440 p.a.

Appropriation Salaries, Keepers of lighthouses

Station Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt.Stn., N.Y.

Date of entrance on duty March 23, 1926

Remarks:

J. T. Yates
(Signature of immediate superior.)
Supt., 3rd Lighthouse Dist.

SUBMITTED:

(Head of Bureau or Office.)

(*If unsatisfactory, recommendation for discontinuance under the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil service rule VII, should immediately be forwarded to the Department.)

Stratford Shoal
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Aug 1st, 1926

Supt.

The probationary period of Percy M. H. Kaufman, 2nd Asst Keeper, has been satisfactory, and my opinion he is a suitable & competent man for a permanent appointment.

Thomas J. Burne
Keeper.

FWO-JHE

July 23,1926

Thomas J. Burns, Keeper,
Stratford Shoal Light Station,
P. O. Box 581,
Bridgeport, Connecticut

SUBJECT: Probation of Percy M.H.Kaufman, 2nd Asst.Keeper.

1. The probationary period of employment of Percy M.H. Kaufman, 2nd Assistant Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station, will expire on September 22,1926. Advise this office by return mail if his services have been satisfactory, and whether or not, in your opinion, he is a suitable and competent man to receive a permanent appointment in his present position. If you do not consider him competent, state fully in what respects he is incompetent.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

PWO-JHG

April 16,1926

Percy M.H.Kaufman, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Stratford Shoal Light Station,
P.O.Box 581,
Bridgeport, Conn.

SUBJECT: Oath of Office.
REFERENCE: Letter from this office March 18th.

1. You are directed to execute and forward to this office Oath of Office sent you with letter of March 18,1926. No salary can be paid you until this Oath is received. A new Oath is enclosed for use in the event you have lost the one previously sent you. Give this matter your immediate attention.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

FWO-JHG

March 18,1926

Percy M. H. Kaufman,
Apartment 10,
548 Hudson Avenue,
West New York, N. J.

SUBJECT: Position of 2nd Asst.Keeper, Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta.
REFERENCE: Letter from this office Feb.24,1926.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated March 6,1926 appointing you to the position of 2nd Asst.Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station, and in accordance therewith you are hereby directed to report for duty at that station promptly upon receipt of this letter. Transportation charges will be at your own expense. Show this letter to the keeper, which will be his authority for assigning you to duty. The name and address of the Keeper is Thomas J. Burns, Bridgeport, Conn. Acknowledge receipt of this letter and state on what date you expect to report for duty.

J. T. YATES
Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

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1. Copy forwarded for his information, to the Keeper of Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta. Report to this office promptly by letter the date on which Kaufman reports for duty as 2nd Asst.Keeper.

J. T. YATES
Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

Per (B)

548 Hudson Av. Apt. 10.
West New York, N.J.

Supt. of Lighthouses
Staten Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-
Received your letter stating,
I have been nominated
for appointment of 2nd asst.
Keeper.
I shall hold myself ready
to report as soon as I receive

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J. T. Yates

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Percy M. H. Kaufman.
164- 15 St.
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NOT TO BE ACCEPTED AS AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION OPERATIONS UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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March 6, 1926.

Mr. Percy M. H. Kaufman,
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 Fourteen Hundred and Forty dollars per annum

effective March 16, 1926, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

Nature of appointment: Probationary.

Civil Service authority: Secretary, Second Civil Service District.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD EASTIN

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Such appropriation to which under the provisions of Section 3678, R.S., the duties performed may be properly chargeable.

Vice: William Dalton.

Legal Residence: New Jersey.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES: Staten Island, N.Y. Feb. 24, 1926 (Date) 19

(Thr Sec'y 2nd C. S. Dist.)

Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, Percy H. H. Kaufman

Position, Keeper

Location, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt.Sta., N.Y.

Effective March 16, 1926 { the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Legal residence, New Jersey

Salary, $1440 p.a. (Pay range $1440 to $1680 p.a.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 3 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 82.4, Other eligibles considered:

Henry Waring----C. Frederick J. Fox----C.

Raymond J. Sullivan----PR (Name removed from register)

Previous incumbent, William Dalton

Services terminated, March 15, 1926

Reason, promoted

Mr. Kaufman has had no previous service in the Lighthouse Service. No employee of district desired transfer to this position. There are no quarters for families of keepers at this station.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Date of birth, March 17, 1904

Remarks:

No's 1 and 4 on eligible list will accept appointment only at light stations where family quarters are provided.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the

U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19

J. T. Yates

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply

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FWO-JHG

Percy M. H. Kanigan,
Apartment 10,
548 Hudson Avenue,
West New York, New Jersey

Feb. 24,1926

SUBJECT: Position of 2nd Asst.Keeper, Stratford Shoal L.S.
REFERENCE: Your letter Feb. 21,1926.

1. Referring to your letter dated Feb. 21,1926 stating you were willing to accept the position of 2nd Assistant Keeper of Stratford Shoal Light Station; you are advised you have to-day been nominated for appointment to this position and in accordance therewith are directed to hold yourself in readiness to report for duty as soon as definite orders are sent you. Should you be appointed to this position your services will probably be required about March 16,1926.

2. Acknowledge receipt of this letter.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT,

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES: Staten Island, N.Y. Feb. 24, 1926 19
(Thr.sec'y 2nd C. S. Dist.)

Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, Percy M. H. Kaufman

Position, Keeper

Location, Stratford Shoal (Middle Ground) Lt.Sta.,N.Y.

Effective March 16,1926

Former position,

Location,

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Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

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

Former salary,

Rank on eligible list, 3 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 82.4 , Other eligibles considered:
Henry Waring----C. Frederick J. Fox----C.
Raymond J. Sullivan----PR (Name removed from register)

Previous incumbent, William Dalton

Reason, Promoted

Services terminated, March 15,1926

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Date of birth, March 17,1904

Remarks:

Mr.Kaufman has had no previous service in the Lighthouse service. No employee of District desired transfer to this position. There are no quarters for families of keepers at this station.

No's 1 and 4 on eligible list will accept appointment only at light stations where family quarters are provided.

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

J. T. Yates

Follow up 3-9-26

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

VC 4/27/26

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

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Staten Island, N. Y. Feb.18,1926 . 19

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of 2nd Asst.Keeper
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)
of Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta.,located off shore in Long Island Sound

Total Compensation: $ 1440.00 per annum ~~(which includes: Salary, $ per annum; bonus, $ per annum; and subsistence, cents per day.)~~

~~**Longevity Pay:** In addition to the above keepers receive $ per annum, after years of continuous service, as longevity pay.~~

Quarters and Fuel: Quarters are provided for the 3 keepers at this station but not for families of keepers. Family quarters can probably be rented at Bridgeport, Conn.
(State whether or not quarters and fuel are provided by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, or if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Furniture: Necessary furniture will be supplied by the Government.
(State articles of furniture to be furnished by the Government.)

Promotion: Appointees will be considered for promotion to higher positions as vacancies occur.

Shore Liberty: Not exceeding 96 days per annum may be granted to employees at this station.

This is a letter of inquiry and not an offer of the position, as other eligibles are also being considered for the same position, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

No furniture or quarters for families are provided, except as stated above. Any additional articles of furniture required, and necessary provisions, must be provided by employees.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes

If selected, I can report for duty in 2 days from to-day.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time? Yes

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered? Yes

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." No If yes, state how many ----------; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

(Signature) Percy M. Kaufman

Date Feb. 21, 1926

(Post-office address) 548 Hudson Av. Apt. 10
West New York, N. J.

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DIST.,

Staten Island, N.Y. Feb. 12, 1926 , 19

You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of 2nd Asst.Keeper
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)
of Stratford Shoal Lt.Sta., located off shore in Long Island Sound
Total Compensation: $ 1440.00 per annum (which includes: Salary, $ per annum; bonus, $ per annum; and subsistence, cents per day.) per annum, after years of continuous service, as longevity pay.

Longevity Pay: In addition to the above keepers receive $

Quarters and Fuel: Quarters are provided for the 3 keepers at this station, but not for families of keepers. Family quarters
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Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
H. Corbett	P.M. Rahway	A		
W. Waring	2.L. Beach	A		
H. W. Dawley	Jae Ter Position			
7.2.Fox	J.J. Allen Department or office	A		
P.J. Sullivan	J.T. Cowan Position	A		
	J.W. McDonald Department or office			

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

Date (Signature)

(Post-office address)

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PC send check when ok to;

Percy Kaufman
c/o Mabel Kaufman
460 Palisade Ave
West New York, N.J.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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THIRD DISTRICT

Stratford Shoal
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

3/, 1926

Supt.

I write these few lines to let you know that William E. Riedel, 1st Asst Keeper left this station March 10th 1926, at 2.00 P. M.

The new man 2nd Asst Keeper Percy Kaufman reported for duty to day March 23rd 1926 at 11. am.

Thomas J. Burns
Keeper,
Stratford Shoal
Light Station
Bridgeport,
Conn.

EOD March 23/1926