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

Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
McGrath, J. 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.)

Researcher Signature: andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (MD) 5th District	From: 1935	To: 1936
(Agency & Location)	From:	To:
(Agency & Location)	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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

John H. McGrath (Name) — Maryland (Legal Residence)

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SERVICE AND GRADE	SALARY	ACTION	BUREAU	STATION—DISTRICT	DATE OF EFFECT
Add'l Foreman	—	1800	TEMPORARY Pend cert	L H.	5 Dist	Jan 25, 1919
			LAST DAY OF SERVICE April 4/1919			
Foreman	—	1800	Prob	L H.	5 Dist	May 1, 1919
			SERVICES DISCONTINUED Close Dec. 13, 1919 (To non-appt pos.)			
Keeper	—	1440	TEMPORARY Pend cert	L H.	5th Dist Hooper Straits	5-1-35
			LAST DAY OF SERVICE Feb. 18, 1936			

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MCGRATH, JOHN E.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—8005

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JOHN H. McGRATH

JOHN H. McGRATH

T. ALAN GOLDSBOROUGH
FIRST DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

COMMITTEE ON
BANKING AND CURRENCY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D.C.

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
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LIGHTHOUSES

September 12, 1934

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Capt. Harold D. King
Deputy Commissioner
Bureau of Lighthouses
Department of Commerce
Washington, D.C.

Dear Capt. King:

Mr. John H. McGrath, of Crisfield, Maryland, called at my office in regard to securing a position with the Lighthouse Service. He said he knew you very well, and asked me to write you in his behalf.

What he wants is a permanent place, and if he cannot secure a permanent place, he wants a temporary appointment. He would of course much prefer a permanent place.

He comes to me highly endorsed by a very reliable citizen of Crisfield, Maryland, who says that Mr. McGrath has been working as Inspector of Construction Work for the Bureau of Lighthouses off and on for the past fifteen years, and that he is a man of the very highest standing and knows his work.

I understand also that there has never been a year when Mr. McGrath has not worked for the Lighthouse Service. If his memory is correct about this, I don't see how he has lost his eligibiligy.

I will deeply appreciate it if there is anything you can do for Mr. McGrath.

I am,

Very sincerely yours,

T. Alan Goldsborough

Supt.
Asst. Supt.
Chief Clk.
Asso. Engr.
Asst. Engr. (1)
Asst. Engr. (2)
Junior Engr.
Drafting
Accounts
Ordering
Personnel
Coast Pilot
Prop. Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

Shall this be sent?

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.,
September 13, 1934.

Referred to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md., for report on Mr. McGrath's previous service and prospects and eligibility for further employment and return to the Bureau.

P. H. Gorman
Administrative Assistant

September 13, 1934.

Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Goldsborough:

In reference to your letter of September 12, in behalf of Mr. John H. McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland, who is desirous of obtaining a position in this Service:

This matter is under consideration and you will be further advised at an early date.

Very truly yours,

WRK
PJ

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Commissioner of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1934 SEP 21 AM 9:03
1934 SEP 17 PM 9:43

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

AHL.
Encls.

4/24/34 wrote Goldsborough
Copy & S-t

September 15, 1934.

2nd Endorsement.

Subject: Application in behalf of John H. McGrath.
Reference: Bureau end. of Sept. 13 on letter from Cong. Goldsborough of Sept. 12.

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses.

2. This office received a similar letter from Congressman Goldsborough and copy of our reply thereto is herewith.

3. Following is abstract of Mr. McGrath's services:

Supt.
Asst. Supt.
Chief Clk.
Asso. Engr.
Asst. Engr. (1)
Asst. Engr. (2)
Junior Engr.
Hydrog.
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Cost Kpg.
Prep. Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

Temporary appointment as Additional Foreman, January 25, 1919; services terminated close of April 4, 1919. Entered on duty as Foreman May 1, 1919; suspended from duty beginning February 1, 1921; returned to duty April 11, 1921; furloughed December 3, 1921. Entered on duty as Foreman October 1, 1923; furloughed December 22, 1923, upon completion of riprap contract as there was no other work for him. Entered on duty as Carpenter January 3, 1927, from which position he resigned February 28, 1927.

4. The total of all Mr. McGrath's time, both temporary and permanent, is less than 5 years, so that he has no re-instatable status.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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RG-EK

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.,
September 18, 1934.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md., for report in connection with the last paragraph as to whether or not Mr. McGrath has a status of veteran, in which case former employees are eligible for reinstatement without regard to the time limitation. Return all papers to the Bureau.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Harman
W. P. Harman
Administrative Assistant

**** C O P Y ****

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BALTIMORE, MD.

WLR:AHL.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1934 SEP 17 - PM 9:43

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

September 14, 1934.

Honorable T. Alan Goldsborough, M.C.,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

1. I have your letter of September 12, addressed to Asst. Superintendent Johnson, in behalf of Mr. John H. McGrath.

2. I should be very glad of the opportunity to recommend Mr. McGrath's appointment in this District, but unfortunately we have no vacancy in any position which he could fill. Furthermore, he has no reinstatable status. He resigned from a permament position February 28, 1927, and has since been employed on a number of occasions for very short periods, in several capacities, on which is known as "job work" not under the classified service. This, obviously, was not re-instatement and no appointment was issued therefor. Consequently any re-instatement would have to be based on his service prior to February 28, 1927, which would be beyond the five-year period authorized by law.

3. I regret my inability to be of assistance to Mr. McGrath.

Respectfully,

L. M. HOPKINS
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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9/24/34 wrote Gould
Copy to 5th

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

September 20, 1934.

4th Endorsement.

Subject: Application in behalf of John H. McGrath.
Reference: Bureau end. of Sept. 18th on my letter of Sept. 15th.

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses.

2. Our records do not show that Mr. McGrath had any military service.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

1934 SEP 22 AM 8:50

SEP 21 1934

September 20, 1934.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Payne, whose telephone branch is 93 at the Civil Service Commission, telephoned the Bureau requesting information as to the dates of service of John H. McGrath who was formerly employed as a nonappointed foreman in your district. The Commission desires this information in connection with an inquiry from Congressman Goldsborough with regard to Mr. McGrath's eligibility for reinstatement.

Please furnish the Bureau McGrath's complete service record showing all the dates of his service; also if he had a status as a veterans.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Harman
Administrative Assistant

RG-MK

AHL.

Office of Superintendent, 5th District,
Baltimore, Maryland. September 21, 1934.

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses with information requested:

Mr. McGrath received temporary appointment as Additional Foreman on Jan. 25, 1919; services terminated close of April 4, 1919. Entered on duty as Foreman May 1, 1919, suspended from duty beginning February 1, 1921; returned to duty April 11, 1921; furloughed December 3, 1921. Entered on duty as Foreman October 1, 1923, furloughed December 22, 1923, upon completion of riprap contract as there was no other work for him. Entered on duty as Carpenter January 3, 1927, from which position he resigned February 28, 1927. Our records do not show that he had any military service.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

September 24, 1934.

Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Goldsborough:

In further reference to your letter of September 12 in the interest of Mr. John H. McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland, who desires employment in the Lighthouse Service:

The records show that Mr. McGrath was intermittently employed in this Service as a foreman and a carpenter between the years 1919 and 1927, his aggregate service totaling slightly less than three years. Under the civil service rules and regulations he would, therefore, not be eligible for reinstatement on the basis of his former service and it would be necessary for him to again acquire a civil service status as a result of some future examination. Mr. McGrath's record during his employment was a satisfactory one, but there is unfortunately no suitable vacancy in which he could be employed.

Very truly yours,

G. R. Putnam
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

RC-EK

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 5th

T. ALAN GOLDSBOROUGH
FIRST DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

COMMITTEE ON
BANKING AND CURRENCY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

LIGHTHOUSE
1934 OCT - 5 · AM 10: 23

WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 4, 1934

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10/23/34 copy to

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

My dear Mr. Putnam:

Mr. J. H. McGrath, Crisfield, Maryland, has recently been assigned to temporary employment as Assistant Keeper of the Janes Island Light Station. As you know, he is not eligible for permanent position and is therefore anxious to secure additional employment if possible.

He has written me as follows:

> " In many places beacons are not attended by lighthouse keepers, as it is the practice at the Janes Island light from which from twelve to fifteen beacons are looked after. Since there are only two men there now, perhaps the Department would consider placing these beacons under the care of someone else, under contract, and thus eliminate the employment of any other assistant and thereby affect a saving to the Government. I do not believe I would be the logical person to mention such a move to them, but feel that it would go through. I should be glad to do all the necessary service connected with attending the beacons now served by the Janes Island keepers for seventy-five dollars per month; this cost including transportation. At present, the cost of this service is considerably more than my offer."

Since receiving the letter from which I have quoted, I have another communication from Mr. McGrath in which he writes as follows:

> " The keeper of the Janes Island Light was out to see me today, and stated that I was to go aboard on Oct. 3 for ten days. Hence, I have had notice since writing you yesterday.

T. ALAN GOLDSBOROUGH
FIRST DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

COMMITTEE ON
BANKING AND CURRENCY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 8 1934

TO 5th

1934 OCT - 17 - AM 9 : 04

" Mr. Goldsborough, I should like to have your advice about the matter of getting the proposition of having beacons now served by the Janes Island keeper attended to under contract as suggested in yesterday's letter. Do you think it wise for me to make an offer to the Superintendent of Lighthouses to do all the work required, including providing space for storing full and empty gas-light tanks here, boat and fuel, and keeping the lights on?

" I would be available by wire same day any interruption of service was reported to the Baltimore office, and available by mail the following morning. This is far better service than the beacons are now getting, for only this week more than one light remained dark for two nights or more."

Very sincerely yours,

T. Alan Goldsborough

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.,
October 5, 1934.

Referred to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md.,
for report and return.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Harman
W. P. Harman
Administrative Assistant

Asst. Supt.
Chief Clk.
Asso. Engr.
Asst. Engr. (1)
Asst. Engr. (2)
Junior Engr.
Hydrog.
Accounts
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Prop. Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

October 5, 1934.

Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Goldsborough:

In reference to your letter of October 4, in behalf of Mr. J. H. McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland, who is desirious of obtaining a permanent position of lighthouse keeper:

This matter is under consideration and you will be further advised at an early date.

Very truly yours,

E-K

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
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BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSES
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LMH:ES
(Enclosure)

1934 OCT - 17 - AM 9 : 03

10/27/34 & wrote Goldbeck
Copy to file

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

October 16, 1934.

2nd indorsement.

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses, with the information that Mr. McGrath is at present employed temporarily as a substitute at this station pending assignment of 2d Asst. Keeper to fill a vacancy caused by death of Robert Bradshaw on September 15th.

2. It would not be in the interest of economy or efficiency to employ a lamplighter to attend a group of eleven lights and one lighted buoy at present attended by the keepers of this station for the reason that three keepers will be required at this station when equipped with modern fog signal and electrification of station light which it is proposed to recommend as soon as funds can be made available.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Misc

October 23, 1934.

Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Goldsborough:

In further reference to your letter of October 4, in the interest of Mr. J. H. McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland, who desires permanent employment in the district of the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Maryland:

Mr. McGrath's present position is a temporary one in which he is serving as a substitute keeper at James Island Light Station. A somewhat extensive project at this station is contemplated in the near future when it is proposed to electrify the station and equip it with a modern fog signal. When this is completed, the services of three keepers at the station will be required in any event, who will also be given the duty of caring for the minor lights; and it is not considered that it would be an economical or an efficient arrangement to employ also a lamplighter to attend this group of lights.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

RC-MK

COPY to 5th Supt. It is suggested that you consider McGrath for any lamplighter position that becomes available.

COPY

November 9, 1934.

Mr. J. H. McGrath,
Crisfield, Maryland.

Dear Mr. McGrath:

I have received your letter of October 27th, forwarded to me from Baltimore, and regret to learn of your present need of employment. I am satisfied that you would give faithful service in the capacity which you mention, as in the case of all past employment, but the change in arrangements which you suggest does not appear to be in conformity with the policies which have heretofore been considered desirable in such cases. I have, however, mentioned this matter to the Superintendent at Baltimore, whose recommendation would, of course, be given full consideration by the Bureau.

Yours very truly,

H. D. KING
Deputy Commissioner of Lighthouses.

HDK:EBF

Copy to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md., together with letter from Mr. McGrath,

James Island

Luthie Bozman
Grady Parks

vacancy vice Robt Broadshaw
died 9/16/24

January 10, 1935.

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Wm. H. Holland
Earle B. King

vacancy vice Thos. L. Wallace
(to Hog Is. pending)

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1636 - 16th Ave.

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COPY to 5th Supt. Nomination should be submitted at the proper time and Mr. McGrath's temporary services as a laborer should not extend beyond the limitation indicated in Art. 401 of the Regulations.

January 10, 1935.

Mr. A. L. Howard,
1658-16th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your visit to this office on January 2d in the interest of Mr. J. H. McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland, Mr. McGrath has been employed as a laborer at Janes Island Light Station for about ten days a month pending the filling of the vacancy at that station by the transfer of a regular keeper. The keeper orginally proposed for this transfer is now being sent to another station so that the need for the services of a temporary laborer at Janes Island will continue longer than was anticipated originally. Arrangements are being made to fill this vacancy, but until they are completed it is expected that Mr. McGrath's services will be required on a full time basis. As indicated, however, this is a strictly temporary arrangement to last only a brief time until the vacancy is filled by a keeper in accordance with the regulations of the Service.

Respectfully,

For the Commissioner:

H. D. King
Deputy Commissioner.

RG-HK

COPY to 5th Supt. Nomination should be submitted at the proper time and Mr. McGrath's temporary services as a laborer should not extend beyond the limitation indicated in Art. 401 of the Regulations.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
JAN 5 1935

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January 2, 1935.

1/10/35 wrote Howard
copy to S-th

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. A. L. Howard of 1638-16th Street, N. W., this city, visited the Bureau today in the interest of Mr. J. H. McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland, with regard to whom you wrote the Bureau on October 16. It appears that Mr. McGrath is temporarily employed in your district as a laborer to act as keeper, and Mr. Howard asked whether it would not be possible to increase the number of days Mr. McGrath is employed each month.

It is requested that your office report to the Bureau the facts as to Mr. McGrath's present status and the prospect of extending his employment, if such action is proper under the regulations.

The Bureau notes that you submitted a nomination on December 5 for the transfer of Isaac V. Willis, Jr. to second assistant keeper at Janes Island, and that on your telephonic request the Bureau cancelled the action on this nomination. It appears that your office has not submitted any substitute nomination in its place up to the present time.

For the Commissioner:

H. D. King
Deputy Commissioner.

RG-EK

Office of Supt. of Lighthouses,
Baltimore, Md., January 8, 1935.

WLR:HVS

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses. For the past several months, Mr. McGrath has been acting as laborer at Janes Island Light Station for about ten days per month. When the arrangement in question was made, it was anticipated by this office that the vacancy would have been filled by this time. Mr. Willis's nomination was cancelled by reason of the fact that another vacancy will exist within the month at a station in North Carolina where it is proposed to transfer him. In view of the fact that the vacancy at Hanes Island will exist longer than was originally anticipated, this office will take steps to employ Mr. McGrath as a full time substitute keeper until such time as the vacancy can be filled.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Personnel

Washington, D.C.
Jan. 15, 1935

Misc

Mr. N.D. King,
Deputy Commissioner of Lighthouses
Department of Commerce
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. King:

I thank you for your letter of the 10th relative to Mr. John McGrath of Crisfield, Maryland. I am happy to know that his services can be used on full time, even though it will only be temporary. This will be a wonderful help to Mr. McGrath and his family during the winter months.

I can assure you that this favor is greatly appreciated by Mr. McGrath, his friends in Crisfield and myself.

Sincerely yours

A. L. Howard

Form 73

HVS

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT,

Norfolk, Virginia (City), March 19 (Date), 1935

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
Thru Distr ict Manager, 4th Civil Service Dist.

Action recommended, Temporary Appointment not to exceed 30 days from receipt of certificate of eligibles

Name, John H. McGrath

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper

Location, Hooper Straits Light Station, Md.

Effective, April 1, 1935

Legal residence, Maryland

Proposed salary, $1440.p.a. exclusive of $60. p.a. for quarters.

Proposed range, $1440-1800.

Appropriation, Sal. Keepers of Lt.

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

Former position, New employee

Location, -

Former salary, -

Former range, -

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

Previous incumbent and his pay, New position (LT.#3700) / Services terminated,

Reason, -

Members of family in Government service, None

FOURTH U. S. CIVIL SERVICE DISTRICT,
OFFICE OF THE MANAGER WASHINGTON, D.C.
Approved for temporary Appointment under Section II, Rule VIII, pending register of eligibles.
APR 10 1935
DISTRICT MANAGER

Remarks: Pending establishment of an eligible register and selection therefrom.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19---

L. M. HOPKINS
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 12, 1935

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved., for not to exceed thirty days from date of receipt of a certificate of eligibles. Attention is invited to the Department's previous authorization of this new position. Field classification form is herewith.

W. P. HARMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Description of duties of field position

Name: John H. McGrath Bureau Lt.# 3700

Bureau: Lighthouse

Salary: $1440 per annum Salary Range: $1440-1800

Position: Keeper (2d assistant)

Station: Hooper Straits Lightstation , Maryland,
5th Lighthouse District.

Description of duties:

Similar to duties of position of assistant keeper of Seven Foot Knoll Lightstation, Maryland, in the 5th District, previously occupied by D. D. Midgett, Lt.#1242.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

HVS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

March 19, 1935.

4/17/35

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Thru District Manager,
Fourth Civil Service District,
Washington, D. C.

1. Please cancel nomination dated March 14th of John H. McGrath to position of 2nd Assistant Keeper of Janes Island Light Station, Md. Mr. McGrath will subsequently be nominated as 2nd Assistant Keeper of Hooper Straits Light Station, Md., on a temporary basis pending the establishment of an eligible register.

L. M. HOPKINS

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington April 12, 1935

Returned to 5th Superintendent together with nomination of McGrath for Janes Island Lightstation. His nomination for temporary appointment to the new position of second assistant keeper at Hooper Straits has just been received from the District Manager and is being submitted to the Department this date. In view of the fact that there is no established register of eligibles, the Bureau has recommended the appointment (temporary) of both McGrath and John W. Frazier for period not to exceed 30 days from date of receipt of a register of eligibles, In the event this is approved by the Department, it will obviate the necessity for recommending extensions of temporary appointments, should there be considerable delay in establishing a register. It is suggested that if there is occasion to make further temporary appointments for this reason, that you so recommend when submitting nomination through the District Manager.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Ba[illegible]

Administrative Assistant

H-M
Incl

Form A-30

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 19, 1935.

Mr. John H. McGrath,

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 upon entrance on duty and to continue for a period not to exceed thirty days from the date of the receipt of a certification of eligibles for probational appointment.
Nature of appointment: Temporary.

Civil Service authority: Manager, Fourth Civil Service Commission.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully, EDW. J. GARDNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation (unit): Field.

Vice: New position.

Legal residence: Maryland.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1935

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APR 22 1935

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington

May 7, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses: Norfolk, Va.

It is requested that the information indicated in the item checked below be furnished the Bureau promptly, with the return of the attached papers, if any.

NAME AND DESIGNATION John H. McGrath -- Kpr. Temp.

(1) Give date of entrance on duty, of transfer, or of resignation.
(2) Furnish personal history sheet, in duplicate, in own handwriting.
(3) Furnish oath of office.
(4) Furnish civil service form 375 in triplicate.
(5) Submit form SS-66, showing last day served by temporary appointee.
(6) Furnish standard form 13 in quadruplicate (abstract of official record).
(7) Furnish documentary evidence of date of birth as prescribed in civil service form 2473, attached.
(8) Submit inclosed nominations through the District Civil Service Secretary,
(9) Furnish one copy certified form 2806.
(10) Miscellaneous.

For the Commissioner:

H-M

R. J. GROSS
Chief of Personnel Division.

District _____ Date _____

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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IN REPLYING ADDRESS COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER AND FILE NO.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

1935 MAY 24- AM 9:00

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES MAY 13 NORFOLK, VA.

May 10, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Norfolk, Va.

There is herewith returned the oath of office form executed by John H. McGrath, appointed as temporary keeper at Hooper Straits Lightstation, Maryland, effective May 1, 1935. It is noted that this oath was executed before the acting postmaster at Crisfield, Maryland. Your attention in this connection is invited to Bureau unnumbered circular letter dated May 22, 1934, in which it was stated that postmasters are not qualified to execute oaths of office for personnel in this Department. Please forward oath properly executed (See Art.405, Regulations for the Lighthouse Service).

For the Commissioner:

Chief of Personnel Division

H-M
Incl

HVS

Office of Supt. of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Va., May 22, 1935.

1. Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses. Oath of office properly executed before a Notary Public forwarded herewith.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

To 5th

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington

May 7, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses: Norfolk

It is requested that the information indicated in the item checked below be furnished the Bureau promptly, with the return of the attached papers, if any.

NAME AND DESIGNATION John H. McGrath-- Kpr. Temp.

(1) Give date of entrance on duty, of transfer, or of resignation.
(2) Furnish personal history sheet, **in duplicate, in own handwriting.**
(3) Furnish oath of office.
(4) Furnish civil service form 375 in triplicate.
(5) Submit form SS-66, showing last day served by temporary appointee.
(6) Furnish standard form 13 in quadruplicate (abstract of official record).
(7) Furnish documentary evidence of date of birth as prescribed in civil service form 2473, attached.
(8) Submit inclosed nominations through the District Civil Service Secretary.
(9) Furnish one copy certified form 2806.
(10) Miscellaneous.

For the Commissioner:
R. J. GROSS
Chief of Personnel Division.

H-M

Supt.
Asst. Supt.
Chief Clk.
Asso. Engr.
Asst. Engr.
Asst. Engr. (E)
Junior Engr.
Hydrog.
Accounts
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Keg.
Prop. Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

HVS

District Fifth Date May 22, 1935.

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses: Personal History Sheet in duplicate forwarded herewith as requested.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, May 23, 1935

2931 Returned to 5th Superintendent. Item 7 of the personal history statement has not been completed. Please have this done and return to Bureau.

For the Commissioner:

R. J. Gross
Chief of Personnel Division

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Fifth District, June 5, 1935.

To Dept 6/6

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses: Personal History Sheets forwarded herewith.

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 1 1935
NORFOLK, VA.

PERSONAL HISTORY

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

1935 MAY 24 AM 8:55

Bureau, division, or office Light house Service

1. Name in full John Henry McGrath

2. Legal (voting) residence Maryland First Dist. Somerset Crisfield.
(State and Congressional District) (County) (City or town)

3. Where born? Maryland Westover, Somerset County When born? Dec 21st 1886
(State or foreign country) (City or town) (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
Department of Commerce Lighthouse Service 5th Dist. Baltimore, Md.	Carpenter Foreman Inspector of construction work	$150.00 to $180.00 Per month						

Supt
X Asst Supt
Chief Clk
Asso Engr
Asst Engr. (1)
Asst. Engr. (2)
Junior Engr
Hydrog.
Accounts
Purchasing
Personnel
Cost Kpg
Prop. Clk.
Stenog
Messenger
File

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 .....

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	Attended Business School

9. State special qualifications Have served Dept of Lighthouses as Carpenter, Foreman, and Inspector of construction work, also served as Asst. (Temporary) Keeper

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

Mrs Addie Mae McGrath (Name) Wife (Relationship)

Route 1, Crisfield, Maryland (Post office address)

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

J. H. McGrath
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

May 20th 1935 (Date)

Present address Crisfield, Maryland

10—1659 GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

HVS

MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, signed by the proper official and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce.)

Name of employee John H. McGrath

Designation Second Assistant Keeper *Compensation* $1440. p.a.

Place of employment Hooper Straits Light Station, Md.

Last day served February 18th, 1936

Certified to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

FEB 25 1936

For the Commissioner,

Chief Personnel Division.

L. M. HOPKINS

Superintendent of Lighthouses

(*Official title.*)

Date February 19th, 1936

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Lighthouse Service, Fifth District

(*Bureau or service.*)

HVS

Dept

MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FEB 26 1936
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

(To be filled in immediately after the last day temporary employee serves, signed by the proper official and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce.)

1936 FEB 25 PM 2:19

CHIEF CLERK

Name of employee John H. McGrath

Designation Second Assistant Keeper *Compensation* $1440. p.a.

Place of employment Hooper Straits Light Station, Md.

Last day served February 18th, 1936

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
ENTERED ON JOURNAL
MAR - 2 1936
SHEET NO. 4989
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

L. M. Hoskins
Superintendent of Lighthouses
(Official title.)

Transmitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.
For the Commissioner,
Chief Clerk.

FEB 25 1936

R. J. Jones

CARDED

Date February 19th, 1936

Lighthouse Service, Fifth District
(Bureau or service.)

11—2876

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

5th Dist
Hooper Strait

Dept

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUN - 8 1935
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

PERSONAL HISTORY

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

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Bureau, division, or office Lighthouse Service

1. Name in full John Henry McGrath

2. Legal (voting) residence Maryland, First Dist, Somerset, Crisfield
(State and Congressional District) (County) (City or town)

3. Where born? Maryland, Westover, Somerset County When born? Dec 1st 1886
(State or foreign country) (City or town) (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
Department of Commerce Lighthouse Service 5th Dist Baltimore, Md.	Carpenter Foreman Inspector of Construction Work.	$150.00 to $180.00 Per Month						

Supt
Asst Supt
Chief Clk
Asso Engr
Asst Engr. (1)
Asst. Engr. (2)
Junior Engr
Hydrog.
Accounts
Purchasing
Personnel
Cost Kpg
Prop. Clk.
Stenog
Messenger
File

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 ____ Enlisted ____ Discharged ____

Organization ____ 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	Attended Business School

9. State special qualifications Have served Dept of Lighthouses as carpenter, Foreman, and Inspector of Construction work. Also served as asst (temporary) Keeper.

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

Mrs Addie Mae McGrath (Name) Wife (Relationship)

Route 1, Crisfield, Maryland. (Post office address)

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

J. H. McGrath
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

May 20th 1935. (Date)

Present address Crisfield, Maryland.

10—1659 GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Standard Form No. 8
(Approved by the President, May 22, 1925)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1935 MAY -24- PM 2:35

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAY 25 1935
APPOINTMENT

1935 MAY 24 AM 9:00

CHIEF CLERK

OATH OF OFFICE

Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes of the United States

Commerce
(Department or Establishment)

Lighthouse
(Bureau or Office)

I, John Henry McGrath, do
(Name in full, printed or typed)

solemnly swear (or affirm) 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 Henry McGrath
(Signature of Appointee)

RECEIVED FOR COMPLETION OF PERSONNEL JOURNAL
Date 5/31/35

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of May, A. D. 1935

at Crisfield, Maryland
(City or place) (State)

[SEAL]

Rachel M. Jones
Notary Public

NOTE.—If the oath is taken before a Notary Public the date of expiration of his commission should be shown.

My commission expires May 1939

Position to which appointed 2nd Asst. Keeper, Hooper Straits Light Station, Md.

Date of entrance on duty May 1, 1935.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 10—1689

Form A-30

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 29, 1935.

Mr. John H. McGrath,

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 upon entrance on duty and to continue for a period not to exceed thirty days from the date of the receipt of a certification of eligibles for probational appointment.

Nature of appointment: Temporary.

Civil Service authority: Manager, Fourth Civil Service Commission.

Classification allocation:

By direction of the Secretary:

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Respectfully,

CARDED

WM. Y. GARDNER

APR 29 1935

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation (unit): Field.

Vice: New position.

Legal residence: Maryland.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 1935

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Form 73
HVS

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE APR 13 1935 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fifth DISTRICT.

1935 APR-12-PM 2:58

Norfolk, Virginia, March 18, 1935
(City) (Date)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE APR 19 1935 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
Thru District Manager, 4th Civil Service Dist. CHIEF CLERK

Action recommended, Temporary Appointment not to exceed 30 ~~months~~ **days from receipt of certificate of eligibles** Legal residence, Maryland.

Name, John H. McGrath — Proposed salary, $1440. p.a. exclusive of $60. p.a. for quarters.

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Proposed range, $1440-1800.

Location, Hooper Straits Light Station, Md. — Appropriation, Sal. Keepers of LH.

Effective, April 1, 1935 — {1 ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, New employee — Former salary, -

Location, - — Former range, -

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

(LT.#3700)

Previous incumbent and his pay, New position / Services terminated, -

Reason, -

Members of family in Government service, None

FOURTH U. S. CIVIL SERVICE DISTRICT, OFFICE OF THE MANAGER WASHINGTON, D. C. Approved for temporary appointment under Sec. 11, Rule VIII, pending register of eligibles. APR 10 1935 Marion Smith Jr. DISTRICT MANAGER

Remarks: Pending establishment of an eligible register and selection therefrom.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, , 19____

L. M. Hopkins
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Secretary, Civil Service District.

INACTIVE 7/1/35

4/13/35

THIS IS A CIVIL SERVICE POSITION

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 12, 1935

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved, **for not to exceed thirty days from date of receipt of a certificate of eligibles. Attention is invited to the Department's previous authorization of this new position. Field classification form is herewith.**

Auth. by Dept Letter of 2/25/35.

Asst. Action O. K.

Kerwin
Adm. Asst. to Secy

For Mr. Gimbel O. K.
Secrec. for John W. Frazier
C. P. Harman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Description of duties of field position

Name: John H. McGrath Bureau Lt.# 3700

Bureau: Lighthouse

Salary: $1440 per annum Salary Range: $1440-1800

Position: Keeper (2d assistant)

Station: Hooper Straits Lightstation , Maryland, 5th Lighthouse District.

Description of duties:

Similar to duties of position of assistant keeper of Seven Foot Knoll Lightstation, Maryland, in the 5th District, previously occupied by D. D. Midgett, Lt.#1242.

File

(COPY)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APR 11 1935
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Crisfield, Maryland,
March 28, 1935.

DEPARTMENT OF
1935 APR 9 - AM 10:05
CHIEF CLERK

Department of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Virginia.

Gentlemen:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the efficient service and consideration given me recently when I encountered difficulty in Tangier Sound.

My boat had struck something submerged that caused it to leak badly, as well as bent my shaft so much that my motor would not work. Although it was a rough day when I signalled for help I was given quick relief by one of your boats from Janes Island Lighthouse commanded by Mr. McGrath. (John H McGrath)

I was towed to the railway, and had not been there more than fifteen minutes when my boat was completely submerged. This caused me to realize that had your men not been on the job I would have soon been lost.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Earl K. Smith

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Office of Supt. of Lighthouses,
Norfolk, Va., April 3, 1935.

Copy forwarded to Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Signed) L.M.Hopkins
Supt.of Lighthouses.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.,
April 8, 1935.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for information.
For the Commissioner:

R J Groos
Chief, Personnel Division.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

January 2, 1920.

Sir:

In view of your transfer to the registration system of employment, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has discontinued, without prejudice, your services as Foreman at $1800. per annum in the Fifth Lighthouse District, under Departmental appointment, effective at the close of December 12, 1919.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED JAN 5 - 1920 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. John H. McGrath,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN JAN 2 - 1920 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

JEH-MAB

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 27, 1919.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information. The Bureau recommends that the services of John McGrath under Department appointment as foreman at $1800 per annum, base pay, be discontinued without prejudice effective at the close of December 13, 1919, and requests approval of his transfer to the registered position of foreman at $150 per month, base pay, payable from the appropriation, General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, effective December 13, 1919.

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1919 DEC 27 PM 4 28

APPROVED:

Acting Secretary of Commerce.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

MEM

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 5TH DISTRICT
BALTIMORE, MD.

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 22 19..

APPOINTMENT December 20, 1919

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

1919 DEC 29 AM 10 35

Subject: Contract of employment, John McGrath, Foreman.

CHIEF CLERK

1919 DEC 29 AM 9 24

1. Authority is requested to terminate Mr. John McGrath's appointment as Foreman at $1800. per annum under appropriation "Repairing and Rebuilding Aids to Navigation, Atlantic Coast", effective with the close of December 12, and contract him at $150. per month, base, under registration system, to be paid from appropriation "General Expenses", effective beginning December 13. The work for which Mr. McGrath was originally employed is now completed, and his services are, therefore, no longer payable under "Repairing and Rebuilding Aids to Navigation, Atlantic Coast".

2. Mr. McGrath is now in charge of Additional Working Party at Currituck Beach Light Station, N.C.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
JAN 2 - 1920
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

JEH-MAB

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 27, 1919.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information. The Bureau recommends that the services of John McGrath under Department appointment as foreman at $1800 per annum, base pay, be discontinued without prejudice effective at the close of December 12, 1919, and requests approval of his transfer to the registered position of foreman at $150 per month, base pay, payable from the appropriation, General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, effective December 13, 1919.

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APPROVED: DEC 29 1919

Acting Secretary of Commerce.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES MAY 1 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

APPOINTMENTS MAY 20 1919

LIGHT MAY 20 1919 HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, John H. McGrath

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 20 AM 10 07

John H. McGrath
(Appointee signs here)

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

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) J. C. Ruffhead

(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 Foreman	$ 1800. p.a.	Fifth District
Former [5] ------	---------	----------

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

Supt.
1 A Supt.
Chief Cl.
2 A Supt.
3 A Supt.
4 A Supt.
Mech.
1 Drafts
2 Drafts
Hydrog.
Accounts
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Kpg.
File Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

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

Baltimore, Md. (Address), May 19, 1919 (Date)

CARDED

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

1919 MAY 20 AM

H. D. Gregg
(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 furnish this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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C. S. REPORT DATA
ENTERED

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 25, 1919.

Mr. John H. McGrath,

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, Foreman in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of One Thousand Eight 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, Fourth Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

CARDED

Appropriation: Rebuilding and Repairing Aids to Navigation, Atlantic Coast.

Vice: New position.

Legal Residence: Maryland.
5th

(See reverse side.)

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 1 - 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

MAY 1 - 1919

Form 73

MEM

APR 28 1919 12 33 PM

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHT APR 28 19 HOUSE

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

Baltimore, Md. (City.) April 21, 1919 (Date.) 191

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

APR 22 1919

Action recommended, Probationary appointment

Name, John H. McGrath — Legal residence, Md.

Position, Foreman — Salary, $ 1800. p.a.

CHIEF CLERK

Location, Fifth District — Appropriation, ~~Salaries~~ Rep. & Reb. Aids to Navigation, Atlantic Coast

Effective April 25, 1919 — ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

1919 MAY 1 AM 8 48

Former position, — Former salary, "Rebuilding and Repairing aids to Navigation — Atlantic Coast"

APPOINTMENTS

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 — Rating, Foreman — Percentage, 83, — Other eligibles considered:

1919 MAY 1 AM 9C 50

Edward T. Mears - 81.00

Previous incumbent, (New position) — Services terminated,

Reason,

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: Mr. McGrath's services needed, effective date, for construction work at Tangier Light Station. He recently served under temporary appointment, Jan 23.19 as Additional Foreman, this district. 1800. A. clerap 4 17

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, apr 25, 1919

L. H. Fisher
Secretary, 4th C.S.R. Civil Service District.

H. D. King
Supt. of Lighthouses. JCR

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 28 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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APPOINTMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Approved:

A. L. Thurman
Acting Secretary.

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

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Form 213 B

APR 8 1919 8 55 AM

LIGHT HOUSES APR 8 1918

Report of expiration of temporary appointment.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APPOINTMENTS
1919 APR 8 PM 2 34

MEMORANDUM.

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approved

This temporary appointment expires by limitation. No payment of compensation should be made if the temporary employe is permitted to serve beyond the period herein specified, unless authority for an extension of such period is granted by the Department.

CHIEF CLERK
1919 APR 8 PM 1 41

The following blank spaces should be filled in at once after the services of the employee have been discontinued, and this form promptly mailed to the Bureau. If the services of the temporary employe are required after the expiration of the first appointment, nomination for an extension thereof should be submitted on Form 73, accompanied by a statement on the nomination, under "Remarks," showing the necessity for said extension. See the Regulations, 1914, par. 443.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

CARDED

Name of employee John H. McGrath Legal residence Md.

Designation Additional Foreman Compensation $ 1800. p.a.

APPOINTMENT ENTERED APR 8 - 1919 DIVISIONAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

Place of employment Fifth District

Date of appointment January 30, 1919

Date of final termination of temporary employe's services Close of April 4, 1919

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. P. Dugan
(Signature)

1919 APR 8 AM 11 17

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

April 5, 1919
(Date)

(Title) Asst. Supt.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
JAN 27 1919
BALTIMORE, MD.

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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

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

John Henry McGrath

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

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

Light Houses (Bureau or Service.) Baltimore (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) 5th (District.)

4. Position to which appointed Foreman, Temporary.

5. Compensation $150.00 per Month

6. Appropriation from which paid Repairing and Rebuilding Aid Atlantic Coast.

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.)

Coulson examination.

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

Crisfield (City or town.) Maryland (State or Territory.) Somerset (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.

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

11. Where were you born? Westover Somerset-County Md.

12. When were you born? Dec (Month.) 21 (Day.) 1886 (Year.)

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

14. What is your marital condition? Married

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

Mrs John H. McGrath (Name.)
Crisfield (City or town.) Number and street. Maryland (State or Territory.)

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2 A Supt.
3 A Supt.
4 A Supt.
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Accounts
Ordering
Personnel
Cost Kpg.
File Clk.
Stenog.
Messenger
File

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

NONE

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.

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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.)

General Contractor

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.)

8th grade - Grammar

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.")

Carpenter

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

None

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

Yes.

Date, Jan 25, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) John L McGrath

P. O. Address: Crisfield
City or town.

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 24, 1919, 191 for and in the absence of the Superintendent

(Signature) J. P. Deeson

(Official title) Asst. Supt. in Charge

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES FEB 17 1919 BALTIMORE, MD.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

APPOINTMENTS FEB 25 1919

I, John H. McGrath

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 H. McGrath

(Appointee signs here)

LIGHT FEB 25 1919 HOUSES

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 17th day of February, A. D. 1919

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) H. Pulkhead

CHIEF CLERK

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

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My commission expires

Official Title	Rate of Pay (base)	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Add'l Foreman	$ 1800. p.a.	Fifth Lighthouse District
Former [5] None		

CARDED

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

Supt.

Office of ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~, Fifth District

Baltimore, Md. (Address) February 24, 1919 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on January 25, 1919 (Date)

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

(Signature, followed by title) Asst. Supt

Supt. 1 A Supt. Chief Cl. 2 A Supt. 3 A Supt. 4 A Supt. Mech. 1 Drafts 2 Drafts Hydrog. Accounts Ordering Personnel Cost Kpg. File Clk. Stenog. Messenger File

[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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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED RATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 30, 1919.

Mr. John H. McGrath,

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, Additional Foreman in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of One Thousand Eight Hundred dollars per annum effective January 25, 1919.

Your appointment will continue for a period not to exceed thirty days from date of receipt of a certification of eligibles for probational appointment in the above mentioned position.

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

JAN 30 1919

Respectfully,

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(Signed) Clifford Ashley
Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Rebuilding and Repairing, Aids to Navigation, Atlantic Coast.

Vice: New position.

Legal Residence: Maryland.

JAN 30 1919

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

MEM

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~, Fifth DISTRICT,

Baltimore, Md. (City.) January 25, 1919 (Date.) 191

FOURTH DISTRICT JAN 27 1919 Received

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

Action recommended, Temporary appointment

Name, John He McGrath — Legal residence, Md.

Position, Foreman, Additional — Salary, $ 1800. p.a.

Location, Fifth District — Appropriation, Reb. & Rep. Aids to Navigation, Atlantic Coast.

Effective ~~XXXXXXXX~~ January 25,1919 — {'the actual date of entrance on duty, or ~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

JAN 28 1919 LIGHT JAN 28 1919 HOUSE

CHIEF CLERK

Former position, None — Former salary,

Location,

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

Previous incumbent, (New position) — Services terminated,

Reason, auth. D. Z. 1/27/19

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Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: Appointment to be for a period not to exceed 30 days after receipt of eligible register. Immediate assignment to duty was necessary, as there was no one to check rip rap at stations where it is being delivered. Reference is made to telephone conversation of even date with Mr. McCuen.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the
U. S. Civil Service Commission, 1/29, 191 9

L. H. Fuhrmeister, H. D. King

Secretary, Civil Service District. Supt. of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JAN 28 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1-29-19 Approved:

E. F. Sweet
Acting Secretary.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN JAN 30 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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

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