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REQUESTER INFORMATION

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

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

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

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 (LA) 8th dist

From: 1919 To: 1919

(Agency & Location)

From: To:

(Agency & Location)

From: To:

Other Identifying Information (Maiden Name, Job Title, etc.) 2 Folders

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STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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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 Robert B. Murphy

Designation Keeper in the Lighthouse Service *Compensation* $780 p.a.

Place of employment South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., La.

Last day served November 24, 1919.

Copy forwarded for information of Secretary, Tenth Civi-Service District, 330 Customhouse Building, N.O., La.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

(Sgd.) MUTH,

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

FIRST ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

First Assistant Superintendent
(Official title.)

Date December 26, 1919.

11—2876

Lighthouse Service, 8th District.
(Bureau or service.)

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT DEC 9 1919 HOUSES

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES DEC 12 1919 NEW ORLEANS

November 26, 1919.

Mr. Robert B. Murphy,
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, Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

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

effective November 18, 1919.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,
(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

MC Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice: Frank J. Furgerson.
Legal Residence: Massachusetts.
8th

11—1393

So. Pass E. Jetty L. S., La. etc.

COPY (MCC) Recd. 12 M. Feb. 3, 1920. L.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Robert B. Murphy,

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.

(Sgd.) ROBT. B. MURPHY
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 30th day of January, A. D. 1920.

(Affix official seal here)
S(Dora Bonacker,
E(Notary Public
A(State of Florida
L(at Large.

[4] (Name) (Sgd.) Dora Bonacker,
(Official title) Notary Public
My commission expires July 3, 1923.

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present	Keeper in the Light-house Service	$780 per annum	South Pass East Jetty L.S., So.Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Range Front Lights, Louisiana.
Former	Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of establishment of a register of eligibles for probational appointment in above-mentioned position.		

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

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Eighth DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address) February 3, 1920. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on November 18, 1919. (Date)

E.S.L.

Superintendent 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 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.

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Carded

MDC
2 inclosures

February 3, 1920.

Robert B. Murphy, Former Lighthouse Keeper,
c/o Home Service Section, A.R.C.,
2d Floor, City Hall,
Tampa, Florida.

1. Inclosed herewith are checks for the following amounts, in payment of your services as temporary assistant keeper at the South Pass East Jetty Light Station from November 18 to 24, inclusive, 1919:

Salary and rations.....$18.32
Increase of compensation..... 4.67

E.S.L.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

MCO
2 incs.

January 28, 1920.

Mr. Robert B. Murphy,
c/o Home Service Section, A.R.C.,
2d Floor, City Hall,
Tampa, Florida.

1. Referring to your letter of January 26, 1920, requesting that check in payment of your services as temporary assistant keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Louisiana, be forwarded to you at above address:

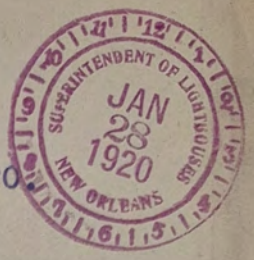
2. You are informed that it will first be necessary for you to execute inclosed "Oath of Office" before a notary public or other authorized person, to cover your appointment in the above position. Immediately upon its return to this office, properly executed, checks in payment of your services from November 18 to 24, inclusive, 1919, will be forwarded to you.

3. There is also inclosed Department letter, dated November 28, 1919, appointing you in the above-mentioned position. This letter should be retained by you for your personal information and files.

4. For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

F. G. M.

First Assistant Superintendent.



Tampa, Fla. January 26, 1920.

To the Superintendent of Lighthouses,
8th District,
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

I requested the Home Service Section of the American Red Cross, Tampa, Fla. to write you for me concerning money due me.

Your records will show that I first worked eight days as a laborer, for which services I was paid. Then I was on Nov.18th appointed as temporary assistant keeper at the South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Louisiana, and it is for this that I am still due wages for.

Will you please forward check for money due me as temporary assistant keeper at the South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Louisiana, to me in care of the Home Service Section, American Red Cross, 2nd Floor, City Hall, Tampa, Fla.

I am in need of this money and will appreciate your sending check as above directed at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

Robert B. Murphy

Robert B. Murphy,
c/o Home Service Section, A.R.C.,
2nd Floor, City Hall,
Tampa, Fla.

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January 20, 1920.

Mrs. R. A. Ellis, Director,
Home Service Section,
The American Red Cross,
2d Floor, City Hall,
Tampa, Florida.

Madam:

1. Referring to your letter of January 15, 1920, regarding money due by this Service to one Richard Murphy for services rendered:

2. You are informed that this office can find no record of having employed a person of the name mentioned. Robert H. Murphy was employed by this office as temporary assistant keeper at the South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Louisiana, from November 18 to 24, inclusive, 1919, and checks for salary due him are being held in this office pending advice of his whereabouts.

3. It is suggested that you inquire further of the Richard Murphy referred to in your letter, and, if he states he was employed at the South Pass East Jetty Light Station, you are requested to have him forward a signed statement regarding the address to which his check should be mailed.

Respectfully,

E.S.L.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

TAMPA CHAPTER

W. A. CARTER, CHAIRMAN

R. M. CLEWIS, TREASURER

HOME SERVICE SECTION
2ND FLOOR, CITY HALL
TAMPA, FLA.

DEPARTMENT OF CIVILIAN RELIEF
DR. L. A. BIZE, CHAIRMAN

MRS. R. A. ELLIS, DIRECTOR
HOME SERVICE SECTION

Jan. 15, 1920.

Chief Clerk,
Light House Department,
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

Richard Murphy has asked that we write you for him. He states that he is due money, $18.00 or $20.00, for services rendered. He left New Orleans about nine weeks ago, sailing on ship S.M. Spalding for Tampico,- where he met with misfortune,- being attacked and robbed. When he came to himself four or five hours later, he his had left Tampico. He worked his way to Tampa on another ship,- and came to our office to ask us to write this letter for him.

He seems to be clean, self respecting and honest. He did not apply to our Home Service for financial aid but begged us to locate his ship, so as to getin touch with them for his money due him and his effects, clothing and papers,- and to write you. He, of course, is badly in need of money and I will ask that you kindly look into this matter and let us have an early reply.

He asks that this money be sent him in care of the Home Service Section, A. R. C., Tampa, Fla., as he keeps our office in close touch with him.

Thanking you for your prompt answer, I remain

Yours very truly,

Mrs R. A. Ellis

Mrs R. A. Ellis, Director, Ser R.
Home Service Section, A.R.C.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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2 inclosures

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
December 12, 1919.

Robert B. Murphy, Former Temporary Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
New Orleans, La.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated November 28, 1919, appointing you temporary assistant keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station at a salary of $780 per annum, effective commencing November 18, 1919.

2. Inclosed "Oath of Office" may be executed in this office. Upon its return, properly completed, check covering your salary and ration allowance from November 18 to 24, inclusive, will be handed you. The temporary bonus authorized by Congress will be paid you as soon as Department approval of certificate in your case is received from Washington.

3. For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

Mutch.
First Assistant Superintendent.

Void. Another letter written & mailed Jan. 21/1920 MCC

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4 inclosures

December 12, 1919.

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3. For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

M.

First Assistant Superintendent.

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Form 84

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
OFFICE OF ~~INSPECTOR~~ Eighth DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., December 8, 1919.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

No reply has been received from the Bureau to communication (Form 73)
from this office dated November 19, 1919. on the subject of nomination of Robert B. Murphy as temporary keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., Louisiana, effective commencing November 18, 1919.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

M.

First Assistant Superintendent.

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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.

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District,
OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~

New Orleans, La., November 19, 1919.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of certification of eligibles for probational appointment.

Name, **Robert B. Murphy** Legal residence, **Massachusetts**

Position, **Keeper in the Lighthouse Service** Salary, **$780 per annum**

Location, **South Pass East Jetty Light Station, South Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Rge. Front Lights, Louisiana.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **November 18, 1919.** {the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~}

Former position, - - - - - - - - - - Former salary, - - - - - - - - - -

Location, -

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

No eligibles available.

Previous incumbent, Edward Carr Services terminated, **September 22, 1919.**

Reason, **Resigned.**

Members of family in Government Service, **None.**

Remarks: Due to the necessity for maintaining the full authorized complement of keepers at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Robert B. Murphy was assigned to duty in above position on November 18, 1919. He has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. This nomination is made to fill the lowest-rated position at above station, in accordance with Department authority of June 5, 1918.

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

Thru Albany 4-19-19-mcc

Secretary, Civil Service District.

E.S.L.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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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1 inc.

November 19, 1919

Ben Fagerstrom, Foreman, U.S.Lighthouse Service,
c/o South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
c/o Louisiana Bar Pilots,
Port Eads, Louisiana

1. Inclosed is check in the sum of $16.00 drawn to the order of R. B. Murphy for services as laborer at $60 per month at South Pass East Jetty Light Station from November 10 to 17, inclusive.

2. Mr. Murphy has been nominated as temporary assistant keeper of South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Louisiana, at salary of $760 per annum and a daily ration allowance of 45¢, effective commencing November 18, 1919.

3. As previously instructed, you will discontinue subsisting Murphy in the working party when you hand him the inclosed check.

(Signed) LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Copy furnished Richard F. Steen, Keeper, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, c/o Louisiana Bar Pilots, Port Eads, La., for his information, guidance, and the station files.

Inclosed is certificate to be executed by you in order that Murphy may receive the $20 a month bonus authorized by Congress up to the close of June 30, 1920.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

1 inc.

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Transported with pilot
that Murphy had left
the station

Form 47

TIME CHECK

Time Check No. .....

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NOV 19 1919
8TH DIST.

Port Eads, La. Nov 17th, 1919.

THE UNITED STATES, To Robert B. Murphy, Dr.

P. O. Address, % SO. Pass E. Jetty, Port Eads, LA.

For services as shown below during month of November, 1919.

							Amount Earned.	
Employed as Laborer	from 10th	to 17th	8	hours / days	at $ ~~2.00~~ 60		$ 16.	00
Employed as	from	to		hours / days	at $		$	
Charge to Account Number 206					Amount due		$	

THIS TIME CHECK IS NOT TRANSFERABLE.

Amount due, Sixteen# dollars and ---------- cents.

I certify that the above time, rate, and amount due are correct.

B. Fagerstrom
(Name.)

R B. Murphy
(Signature of payee.)

Foreman.
(Rating.)

NOTE.—Use this form only when immediate payment is demanded by payee. When used, be careful to mark T. C. prominently on Time Sheet in Total Amount Due column.

11—4111

EP-JEB

November 8, 1919.

Ben Fagerstrom, Foreman,
Lighthouse Service,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
care Louisiana Bar Pilots,
Port Eads, Louisiana.

1. Robert B. Murphy has been employed by this office for duty as Assistant Keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station. He leaves New Orleans for Port Eads November 10. You are requested to take him up on the time sheet from and including November 10, reporting him as laborer, at $60 per month. He is to be subsisted in the working party under your charge for one week, but his duties will be those of assistant Keeper.

2. At the close of November 17 you will submit time sheet to this office covering Murphy's pay at $60 per month, from November 10 to 17, continuing his subsistence as laborer at $60 until he receives his check as laborer. He will then be nominated for appointment as temporary assistant keeper at salary of $780 per annum, with ration allowance of 45¢ a day, of which you will be notified at a later date, at which time he will be expected to furnish his own subsistence.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy furnished Richard Steen, for his information and guidance. Upon Murphy's arrival at South Pass, you will appoint him to duty as assistant keeper. He has been listed as a laborer in order to provide for his subsistence, as he is without funds. As soon as the time check is received from Foreman Fagerstrom covering Murphy's time from November 10 to 17, his pay as laborer at $60 will be sent him and upon its receipt, you are to notify this office and Murphy will then be nominated as temporary keeper at $780 per annum, plus 45¢ per day ration allowance. You will then forward the bonus certificate in his case.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

EP-MCC

November 10, 1919.

Richard F. Steen, Keeper,
South Pass East Jetty Light Station,
c/o Louisiana Bar Pilots,
Port Eads, Louisiana.

1. The bearer, Robert B. Murphy, has been employed as temporary keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., at a salary of $780 per annum and the usual ration allowance of 45¢ a day, effective commencing Monday, November 10, 1919, the date on which he left New Orleans enroute to the light station.

2. Advise the exact date Mr. Murphy arrives at the station and enters on duty.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

mcc

EF-JEB

November 7, 1919.

L. F. Edgecombe, Keeper,
South Pass Range Light Station
Port Eads, Louisiana.

1. The bearer, Robert Murphy, has been employed as Assistant Keeper for duty at South Pass East Jetty Light Station. Upon his arrival at Port Eads, you are requested to furnish him with lodging and subsistence in accordance with the Regulations until he is able to proceed to the Light Station at the Jetty.

L.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, 11th

Form 84

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHT HOUSES DEC 11 1919

OFFICE OF ~~INSPECTOR~~ Superintendent of Lighthouses, Eighth DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., December 8, 1919.

DEC 10 1919 NEW ORLEANS

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

No reply has been received from the Bureau to communication (Form 73)
from this office dated November 19, 1919, on the subject of nomination of Robert B. Murphy as temporary keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., Louisiana, effective commencing November 18, 1919.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

Mutch.
First Assistant Superintendent.

JEH-MAB

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 11, 1919.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., attention being invited to notice of appointment, dated November 28, 1919; if same has not been received by you advise the Bureau, in order that the Department may be requested to issue a duplicate.

Conway
Acting Commissioner

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.

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LIGHT HOUSES DEC 11 1919

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, Superintendent of Lighthouses, Eighth DISTRICT.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES DEC 16 1919 NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, La., December 8, 1919.

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

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from this office dated November 19, 1919, on the subject of nomination of Robert B. Murphy as temporary keeper at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., Louisiana, effective commencing November 18, 1919.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

Murth.

First Assistant Superintendent.

Dept notice of appt. dated Nov. 28, 1919.

Chief Clerk.

JEH-MAB

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 11, 1919.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., attention being invited to notice of appointment, dated November 28, 1919; if same has not been received by you advise the Bureau, in order that the Department may be requested to issue a duplicate.

J. S. Conway

Acting Commissioner

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.

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(D.C.Form 401)

UNITED-STATES-OF-AMERICA

DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS, SS.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come - - - Greeting:

KNOW YE, that a Circuit Court of the United States, begun and holden at Boston, within and for the District of Massachusetts on the fifteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven

To wit: on the twenty third day of November A.D. 1897

Robert Murphy
of Boston in said district, Teamster
born at Co. Cork Ireland
having produced the evidence and taken the oath required by law, was admitted to become a citizen of the said United States according to the Acts of Congress in such case made and provided, as appears of record now in said District Court.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, James S. Allen, Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the District of Massachusetts, and now custodian of the records of the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Massachusetts under the provisions of section 289 of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1911, designated therein as "The Judical Code", have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said District Court at Boston, aforesaid, this Eleventh day of April A.D. 1918, and in the one hundred and forty second year of the Independence of the United States Of America.

(Seal of the
S (District
E (Court of
A (Massachusetts
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(Signed) James S. Allen.

Clerk of the District Court of the
United States for the District of Massachusett

COPY (MCC)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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.)

Mr. Robert Blakeley Murphy

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

R. B. Murphy

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) So. Pass E. Jetty L.S., etc., La. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) 8th (District.)

4. Position to which appointed Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

5. Compensation $780 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

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.)

Without examination--temporary appointment

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

Boston (City or town.) Mass. (State or Territory.) Suffolk (County.) Tenth (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? Ireland

12. When were you born? March (Month.) 2 (Day.) 1868 (Year.)

13. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out Boston, Mass., ~~October 1896~~

November 23, 1897, Circuit Court of U.S., District of Massachusetts.

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.

J.Weston Allen, (Name.) Tremont Bldg., (Number and street.)

Boston (City or town.) Mass. (State or Territory.)

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		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

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

No

18. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
No					

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.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.		Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
No U.S.S.COLUMBIA	1898	to	1899	War over

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.
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22. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No (If answer is "Yes," give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan)

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

23. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 18, 19, 20, 21.)

Fireman

24. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public School

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.")

None

26. What, if any, civil-service examination 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, November 7, 191 9.

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) R. B. Murphy,

P. O. Address: New Orleans
City or town.

- - - - - -
Number and street.

Louisiana.
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 November 19 9., 191

(Signature) E.S.L.

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Mr. Robert B. Murphy.

LEGAL RESIDENCE

INACTIVE

Mr. Robt. B. Murphy.

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
~~TEMPORARY~~ (Read Act)			
Keeper South Pass Effigy etc Lg.	$780	L. H.	Nov. 18, 1919
LAST DAY OF SERVICE		Nov 24. 1919.	

INACTIVE

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Form 73
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NOV 26 1919 9 21 AM NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT NOV 26 1919 HOUSES

U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION First Mail NOV 22 1919 MAIL FILES

Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District.
OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~

New Orleans, La., November 19, 1919.
(City.) (Date.)

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of certification of eligibles for probational appointment.

Name, Robert B. Murphy — Legal residence, Massachusetts

Position, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service — Salary, $780 per annum

Location, South Pass East Jetty Light Station, South Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Rge. Front Lights, Louisiana. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective November 18, 1919, {'the actual date of entrance on duty,. ~~ascertained date of certification of eligibles for probational appointment~~

APPOINTMENTS

Former position, - - - - - - - - - - - - Former salary, - - - - - - - - - -

Location, -

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

No eligibles available.

Previous incumbent, (Edward Carr) Services terminated, September 22, 1919.
Frank J Furgerson Sept 26/19 – Act Oct 5/19.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Due to the necessity for maintaining the full authorized complement of keepers at South Pass East Jetty Light Station, Robert B. Murphy was assigned to duty in above position on November 18, 1919. He has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. This nomination is made to fill the lowest-rated position at above station, in accordance with Department authority of June 5, 1918.

Las 11/28/19.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Nov 19, 1919

TEMPORARY Pending the establishment of a register of eligibles.

Lovett Bradley
Secretary, 10 Civil Service District.

E. S. Lanphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

NOV 26 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

DEC 5 - 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Acting Commissioner.

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 28, 1919.

Mr. Robert B. Murphy,

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, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, effective November 18, 1919.

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

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 6 1919 DEPT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Frank J. Furgerson.

Legal Residence: Massachusetts.
8th

C. S. REPORT DA ENTERED

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FEB 6 1920 [illegible] AM

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES FEB 3 1920 NEW ORLEANS
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I, Robert B. Murphy,

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.

Robt. B. Murphy
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 30th day of January, A. D. 19 20.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Dora Bonacker

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires July 3, 1923

CARDED

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service	$760 per annum	South Pass East Jetty L.S., So.Pass West Jetty Range, and South Pass Range Front Lights, Louisiana.
Former Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of establishment of a register of eligibles for probational appointment in above-mentioned position.		

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

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Eighth DISTRICT

New Orleans, La. (Address), February 3, 1920. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on November 18, 1919. (Date)

E. S. Lamphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

U. S. RETIREMENT DATA ENTERED

[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.

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25-26, 27 + address

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK

LIGHT HOUSES NOV 22 1919

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APPOINTMENTS

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.)

Mr. Robert Blakeley Murphy

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

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

Lighthouse	So.Pass E. Jetty L.S., etc., La.	8th
Bureau or Service.	Place (city, town, station, or vessel).	District.

4. Position to which appointed Keeper in the Lighthouse Service

5. Compensation $780 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

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.)

Without examination--temporary appointment

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

Boston	Mass.	~~xxxx~~ Suffolk	Tenth
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

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

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

11. Where were you born? Ireland

12. When were you born? March (Month.) 2nd (Day.) 1868 (Year.)

13. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out Boston Mass 1896

November 23, 1897, Circuit Court of U.S., District of Massachusetts.

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.

J Weston Allen (Name.) Tremont Bldg (Number and street.) Boston (City or town.) Mass (State or Territory.)

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		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

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

No

18. Have you ever held any other position in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.)

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
No					

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.)

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
U S S Columbia	1898	to 1899	War over

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? ..... (If answer is "Yes," give the information called for by the blanks below.)

Relationship (widow or orphan) No

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

23. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 18, 19, 20, and 21.)

Fireman

24. What education have you received? (Indicate the grades of schools you have attended, and, in case you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1900; Columbia University, LL. B., 1903.)

Public School

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.")

None

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, Nov 7th, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) R. B. Murphy

P. O. Address: New Orleans
City or town.

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Number and street.

Louisiana.
State or Territory.

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Reviewed, approved, and forwarded November 19, 1919.

(Signature) C. S. Laughlin.

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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DEC 29 1919 19 52 AM

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.)

LIGHT DEC 29 1919 HOUSES

1919 DEC 30 AM 10 07

Name of employee Robert B. Murphy

Designation Keeper in the Lighthouse Service *Compensation* $780 p.a.

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Place of employment South Pass East Jetty Light Station, etc., La.

Last day served November 24, 1919.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

F. A. Mutth

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 30 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

First Assistant Superintendent
(Official title.)

Date December 26, 1919.

11—2876

Lighthouse Service, 8th District.
(Bureau or service.)

RETURN DATA ENTERED

Mr. McKeon, Chief
Division of Publications

Can you do anything for him?

EJG.
Appts.

Appointments:

Murphy was a good messenger and a good M. operator. Div. Pubs. has no vacancies to fill now.

C. C. O.

CHIEF CLERK
1924 AUG 23 AM 9 02

Alexandria, Va., August 22, 1924.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AUG 23 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Department of Commerce,
19th Street & Penna. Ave.,
Washington, D. C.

(Attn. Chief Clerk)

Dear Sir:

I have recently passed the Stenographer-Typist examination given by the Civil Service Commission, and would like to know if you could use me in your office and at what salary.

I have been employed by the Fruit Growers Express Company in Alexandria as Apprentice Stenographer for the past two years, and am still with these people. I can write shorthand and typewrite quite rapidly.

I have worked for Mr. McKeon several years ago as Messenger, and Mimeograph Operater, and I feel sure he will vouch for me.

Will you not be kind enough to advise me sometime in the near future?

Robert B. Murphy

Box 248,
Alexandria, Va.

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AUG 23
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

August 28, 1924.

Mr. Robert B. Murphy,
Box 248,
Alexandria, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter of August 22, 1924, wherein you state that you have recently passed the steongrapher and typist examination and requesting to be advised as to whether or not your services could be utilized by the Department and is so at what salary.

While there is no vacancy at this time to which you could be appointed it is suggested that you ascertain from the Civil Service Commission whether or not your name is within reach for certification and if so at what salary. Upon receipt of this information your application will be placed on file for consideration in the event of the occurrence of a vacancy requiring the appointment of a person possessing your qualifications.

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Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of the Secretary

Murphy, Robert B.
(Name)

(Division)
Publications

Date of Birth
September 13, 1901

Title of Position	Grade	Salary				E.O.D.	
		Annual	Monthly				
			First Half	Second Half	Ret. Ded.		
		$	$	$	$		
Clerk	E.O.D.	10/17/17	$480 Out	11/4/20	$900		