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REFERENCE SERVICE SLIP
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National Archives at St. Louis

Date: 06/26/2026

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
Palmer, Frank, S.		1870 DE

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: 1940

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 (NJ) 3rd District

From:	To:
1919	1931

(Agency & Location)

From:	To:

(Agency & Location) P456

From:	To:

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

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Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00007668992

CMRS Search Request Number(s): Rqst sent 6/24/26 mg

Attendant Signature:

Remarks: '26 JUN 30 AM10:33:45

SCREENING NOTES

- ☒ Reviewed and Nothing Removed RJH
- ☐ Items Removed and User Informed

Hold Requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Requests:

Screened Items:

☐ Additional charge outs and signatures on reverse side

Time Out:

Final Return:

Form No. 2661A
Form approved by
Comptroller General U. S.
April 13, 1934

DATA SUPPORTING CLAIM FOR PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF PERSONNEL

(MEMORANDUM)

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, U. S. COAST GUARD

9-1-40

(To be retained by payee, and when payment is made by check, to be used as mailing copy)

HEADQUARTERS

Appropriation: 2011255 Retired Pay, Former Lighthouse Service, Coast Guard, 1941.

Unit Lighthouse Retired Roll

THE UNITED STATES, *Dr.*,

To Frank S. Palmer, Keeper, Retired, Deceased.
(Name)

(Designation), *U. S. Coast Guard*

(Address)

Total years of service

Pay period, duty, or grade

Monthly rate of pay $63.28
(Base and longevity)

For pay and allowances—

From 7/1, 1940 *to* 7/18, 1940
(Inclusive)

CREDITS:		NOTATIONS
Subsistence allowance $		
Rental or quarters allowance		
Pay	37.96	
Balance forwarded from (Name of unit, noting month of roll or voucher)		
Sundry credits and adjustments		
TOTAL CREDITS $	37.96	
CHARGES:		
Allotment $		
Clothing		
Forfeited		
Sundry charges and adjustments		
TOTAL CHARGES $	None	

		NOTATIONS
Total Credits $	37.96	
Less—Total Charges, $		
Amt. retained		
TOTAL $	None	
Net amount to be paid on this voucher $	37.96	

REMARKS: Died 7-18-40. Last paid for the period 1-30 June, 1940, on D. O. Vou. No. 2,065,902. Tr. U. S. Ck. No. 4598960 covering retired pay for the month of July, 1940, on Vou. No. 102903 settled in the July, 1940, account of C. F. Allen, 101-100, cancelled. See Schedule of Cancellations No. 10 dated 8-1-40.

(Additional statements by Department if deemed necessary)

(ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION)

(Payee will NOT use this space)

Differences

Account verified; correct for $ 37.96

(Signature or initials)

I certify that the foregoing account is true and correct and that payment therefor has not been received; that during the period for which rental allowance is claimed I was not assigned adequate quarters at my permanent station; that, if without dependents, I was not on field or sea duty during the period for which rental allowance is claimed; that, if with dependents, I did not occupy with them any public quarters assigned to me without charge at any station, nor did any of them occupy public quarters assigned to them or to any other officer or his dependents except for brief visits; that the increased allowances for dependents are claimed because of
(Here state whether lawful wife, unmarried child or children under 21 years, mother dependent upon officer for support, giving names and addresses of dependents, also ages of minor children)

and that, in case of dependent mother, I have contributed to her support during the current period for which allowances are claimed the sum of $, in cash or its equivalent, without any consideration in return, which contribution is her *chief support*, and each and every statement as set forth in her affidavit dated , 19 { attached hereto / filed with voucher } for (Month), 19 is true and correct, and so remains at this time, except
(Here state fully changes occurring between date of last affidavit and signing of this voucher)

(Date), 19 (MEMORANDUM—DO NOT SIGN) Frank S. Palmer, Keeper, Retired, Deceased.
(Name) (Official designation)

I certify that I have examined the foregoing account; that the statements contained therein have been compared with the records of the United States Coast Guard and found correct except as otherwise indicated; that the officer named is entitled to the amount of pay and allowances herein approved; and that during the period for which rental allowance is claimed on this voucher, the above-named officer was not assigned adequate quarters at his permanent station.

Approved for $

Date , 19

(MEMORANDUM—DO NOT SIGN)
Commanding, District Commander.

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Palmer

Office of Coast Guard Representative
803 Customhouse
2nd and Chestnut Streets
Philadelphia, Pa.

19 July, 1940.

From: Coast Guard Representative, Philadelphia, Pa.
To: Commander, New York District.

Subject: Frank S. Palmer, keeper (retired), Brandywine Shoal Light Station; death.

1. This office has been advised of the death of subject-named man on 18 July, 1940, at 0635.

2. Funeral will be held from the Atkins Funeral Parlors, Lewes, Del., on 20 July, 1940, at 1430.

L. E. WELIS

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Personnel F. S. Palmer

December 19, 1935.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,
R. F. D.
Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.

My dear Mr. Palmer:

Transmitted herewith is Department letter of December 3, 1935, approving of your disability retirement effective December 1, 1935, with retired pay at the rate of $759.36 per annum.

Also transmitted herewith is sample Form 10, as well as a blank Form 10 and ~~self~~ self-addressed return envelope, which is to be used by you in submitting your claim for retired pay for December, 1935. These forms are not to be executed by you until the first day after the close of each month, covering the month for which retired pay is claimed. In other words, form for December is not to be completed until January 1, 1936, or thereafter.

It is trusted that you feel very much better at this time, and that you continue to enjoy improved health from now on.

N. C. Manyon,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

December 3, 1935.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of the act of March 4, 1925, entitled an act to provide for retirement for disability in the Lighthouse Service, you are, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, hereby retired from that service (Fourth District), with retired pay at the rate of $759.36 per annum, effective beginning December 1, 1935.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

E. J. GARDNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Form 9

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NOV 1 1935
PHILADELPHIA

Date October 28, 1935.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Fourth District

Philadelphia, Pa.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective October 31, 1935. on the basis of service shown hereon.

Frank Smith Palmer

Frank Smith Palmer, Keeper,
(Name)

Brandywine Shoal Light Station.
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Philadelphia, Pa. *Date* Nov. 2, 1935.

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $~~755.24~~ 759.36 per annum, effective at the close of November 30, 1935.

It is certified that the record of service and pay shown on Page 2 is correct as shown by the records of this office, and that all Government service shown has been verified.

(Certificate of medical examination by U.S.Public Health Surgeon attached).

N.C.Kenyon

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*, ...

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Name Frank Smith Palmer Date of birth September 16, 1870

Designation Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Lightstation, Delaware Bay, Del.

RECORD OF ALL ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(Including military, naval, and civilian service. Each department, branch, or independent office in which applicant served in a civilian capacity should be listed separately)

	Beginning			Ending			Remarks		
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	Y	M	D
Army									
Navy									
Marine Corps									
Civilian employment									
Lighthouse Service	Aug.	1	1919	Nov.	30	1935	16	3	29
Time without pay leave	Nov.	29	1935	Nov.	30	1935	-	-	1
			See Bureau letter 11/22/35				16	3	29
Total service			Sixteen and 118/360 years.						

years, three months 29 days.

Does applicant receive or has he applied for a pension from the Government under any law? No If so, give number of pension certificate or of claim: —

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act? No If so, give number of claim: —

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the Federal Compensation Act, as amended? — No

If so, state the compensation received: —

STATEMENT BY FISCAL YEARS OF BASIC PAY RECEIVED DURING LAST FIVE YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT

(Compute service on basis of 30 days a month. Do not include periods of leave without pay, rations, quarters, or other allowance)

Designation	Beginning			Ending			Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year		1100.50
Lighthouse Keeper	Nov.	29	1930	June	30	1931	$1860. pa	$1100.50
"	July	1	1931	June	30	1932	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1932	June	30	1933	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1933	June	30	1934	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1934	June	30	1935	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1935	Nov.	30	1935	1860. pa	759.50
								759.50

Total compensation for last five years of active service $9300.00

Average compensation for last five years of active service $1860.00 p.a.

Annual rate of retired pay ($1860.00 × years 16-118/360 ÷ 40) = $759.24

(Not exceeding 30)

$16.3305 See letter 11/22/35

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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION, DISABILITY RETIREMENT

(Act of March 4, 1925)

November 7, 1935
(Date)

NAME OF CLAIMANT Frank Smith Palmer, DESIGNATION Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, New Jersey.

Here give a complete personal description, together with permanent marks and scars other than those described below in physical examination:

Height 5 ft. 9 in. Weight 185 pounds. Complexion medium

Color of eyes brown Color of hair gray

Claimant makes the following statement in regard to the origin, nature, and extent of the alleged disability: Patient states that about Sept.15,1935, he noticed that dental plate was irritating gum and there was some swelling and slight hemorrhage. Dentist told patient that bone was involved. Oct.7,1935, he saw a physician and was referred to the hospital. The swelling had increased in size. About 3 weeks ago, patient noticed ache in left leg,gradually becoming worse; motion seemed to alleviate pain.

Here describe fully nature of disability: Epithelioma of buccal margin, maxilla, left. Sciatica, left.

Claimant describes the duties of his position as follows: Principal keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, involving responsibility of light and fog signal apparatus, up-keep of station property, direct responsibility for all Government property on the station, and responsibility for proper efficiency and instruction relative two assistant keepers under his jurisdiction.

Is disability to perform such duty of a permanent character? Yes

Is it indicated that applicant may recover from disability and be fit for restoration to active duty? Questionable Do you recommend reexamination ~~with this in view~~ Observation from time to time for benefit of patient.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that upon examination I find the above-named claimant to be disabled for useful and efficient service by reason of the disability above described, which is not due to vicious habits, intemperance, or willful misconduct on his part.

The examining physician must be in the Federal Service

U.S.Marine Hospital, Baltimore,Md.
(Place of examination)

H. L. Skinner
(Examining Surgeon)

P.A.Surgeon,U.S.P.H.S.
(Title and branch of medical service)

HLS:LS

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
PHILADELPHIA

November 7, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Custom House
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: (Through the Medical Officer in Charge)

In compliance with your request of November 6, 1935, relative to the case of Frank S. Palmer, lighthouse keeper, there are attached corrected copies of Form 9a, Certificate of Medical Examination, Disability Retirement.

In reference to paragraph 2 of your communication, you are informed that Mr. Palmer is now suffering from epithelioma of the buccal margin, left maxilla, and, sciatica, left side. The epithelioma appears to be responding to treatment with x-ray and radium, which has now been discontimued but the patient will require further observation and probable institution of this treatment again in December. The pain in the left thigh at this time is of such a nature to prevent him from carrying on his duties.

The duration of this man's disability is indefinite. If he does recover from the present disability, it is doubtful whether he will be able to return to active duty. The reason for this statement is the fact that the man is now 65 years of age and is suffering from cancer of the mouth which in all probability will require a long period of observation and treatment, and, if he does recover the liability of recurrence which may cause further disability should be considered.

Respectfully,

H. L. Skinner,
P. A. Surgeon, U.S.P.H.S.

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Forwarded:

T. B. H. Anderson,
Medical Officer in Charge.

Act of March 4, 1925

October 31st, 1931.
(Date)

Name of Claimant Frank Smith Palmer, Designation Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del. Bay Service.

Here give a complete personal description, together with permanent marks and scars other than those described below in physical examination:

Height 5' 9" Weight 185 lbs. pounds. Complexion medium
Color of eyes blue Color of hair grey

Claimant makes the following statement in regard to the origin, nature, and extent of the alleged disability: Patient states that about September 15th he noticed that dental plate was irritating gum and there was some swelling and slight hemorrhage. Dentist told patient that bone was involved. Oct. 7, 1931, patient saw physician and was referred to hospital. The swelling had increased in size. About 3 weeks ago patient noticed ache in left leg, gradually becoming worse. Doing nothing to alleviate pain.

Here describe fully nature of disability: Epithelioma, of buccal margin, maxilla, left.

Claimant describes the duties of his position as follows: Principal keeper, Brandywine Shoal light station, involving responsibility of light and fog signal apparatus, up-keep of station property, direct responsibility for all Government property on the station, and responsibility for proper efficiency and instruction relative to assistant keepers under his jurisdiction.

Is disability to perform such duty of a permanent character? No
Is it indicated that applicant may recover from disability and be fit for restoration to active duty?
Yes Do you recommend reexamination with this in view? Yes
I certify that upon examination I find the above-named claimant to be disabled for useful and efficient service by reason of the disability above described, which is not due to vicious habits, intemperance, or willful misconduct on his part.

The examining physician must be in the Federal Service

Baltimore, Md.
(Date of examination)

H. L. Skinner,
(Examining Surgeon)

P. A. Surgeon, U.S.P.H.S.
(Official designation)

M.S/C

[illegible]
(Seal)

[illegible]

November 4, 1935.

[illegible]
[illegible],
[illegible],
c/o [illegible],
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs:

1. With reference to the proposed retirement of Frank L. Palmer, now a patient at your hospital, and your report on Lighthouse form in covering Mr. Palmer's condition, there is quoted below for your information letter received from the Bureau of Lighthouses, which is self-explanatory:

> "It is noted from the certificate of medical examination that Palmer's disability is not of a permanent character and that reexamination is recommended with a view to restoration to active duty. It appears that the probable length of the present disability should be determined, and your report as to this and the propriety of providing for it by leave rather than retirement is requested. In another event, the examining physician evidently believes the period of time after which reexamination is recommended."

2. In connection with the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that you furnish this office with full, complete report, in duplicate, covering in detail Mr. Palmer's present condition, the probable duration of his present disability, whether upon termination of present disability he will be physically and mentally fit for active duty involving responsibilities of potential danger of a primary light station, and whether or not there is likelihood of his being subject to recurrence of the present disability at a near future date.

3. Transmitted herewith are 2 copies of your report on Form [illegible] examination of Mr. Palmer made by you July 31, 1935, for your information. In connection with furnishing the above requested report, five transmitted herewith are 3 that forms in for your use should it be necessary, due to Mr. Palmer's present condition, to submit new report. Should it not be necessary to submit new report, it is requested that the 2 copies of form so executed by you July 31, 1935, be returned to this office with your reply. In any event, it is requested that specific purpose requested in paragraph 2, be furnished separately.

4. Your prompt reply to this letter will be appreciated, particularly in view of the fact that should the Bureau re-examine Mr.

tirement of Mr. Palmer, it is highly desireble that same be done before December 1st, 1935.

Respectfully,

N. C. Manyon
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Philadelphia, Pa.

In reference to the application [illegible] Palmer, Keeper of Brandywine Shoal Lightstation, for retirement on account of disability:

It is noted from the certificate of medical examination that Palmer's disability is not of a permanent character and that reexamination is recommended with a view to restoration to active duty. It appears that the probable length of the present disability should be determined, and your report as to this and the propriety of providing for it by leave rather than retirement is requested. In similar cases the examining physicians ordinarily indicate the period of time after which reexamination is recommended.

Forms 9, and 9a are herewith returned.

For the Commissioner:

W P Kaufman
Administrative Assistant.

H-M
Incl.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

November 5, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Philadelphia, Pa.

In reference to the application of Frank S. Palmer, Keeper of Brandywine Shoal Lightstation, for retirement on account of disability:

It is noted from the certificate of medical examination that Palmer's disability is not of a permanent character and that reexamination is recommended with a view to restoration to active duty. It appears that the probable length of the present disability should be determined, and your report as to this and the propriety of providing for it by leave rather than retirement is requested. In similar cases the examining physicians ordinarily indicate the period of time after which reexamination is recommended.

Forms 9, and 9a are herewith returned.

For the Commissioner:

Administrative Assistant.

H-M
Incl

NCM:HFM
(Encl.)

October 26, 1935.

Mrs. F.C.Hill,
c/o Old Reedy Island Light-Station,
Port Penn, Delaware.

My dear Mrs. Hill:-

Your letter of Oct. 24th is acknowledged, and it has occurred to me that it would be the best plan for your father to request retirement under the Lighthouse disability clause. It doesn't seem right to me for him to continue working, especially at a remote station such as he now has in charge, when the provisions of the bill were definitely provided for such cases when it was passed by Congress.

You may be sure that this office will do everything in its power to aid the recovery of your father, and it is thought that if he could take it easy in his own home that it would hasten the complete recovery. Attached herewith, please find the necessary papers to initiate his retirement, and it is suggested that if it meets with your approval, you present the matter to him, and probably the whole situation can be cleaned up and he retire right there from the hospital at Baltimore, where the doctors are thoroughly conversant with the case and have so far been careful in protecting him from unnecessary knowledge of the case.

Very truly yours,

N.C.Manyon
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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P.S.

If the foregoing is agreeable, please have your father sign all three copies of the Form 9 above his typed signature exactly as it is typed. Then it will be necessary that the doctor complete all three copies of the Form 9a, also transmitted herewith. Please return all copies of both forms to this office when same have been completed. Same will be immediately forwarded to the Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., with recommendation that his retirement be effective at the close of this month. In this connection, it is requested that the forms be returned as soon as possible, as it will be necessary that they reach Washington before November 1st.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Name Frank Smith Palmer Date of birth September 16, 1870

Designation Keeper, Broadgwine Shoal Light Station, New Jersey.

RECORD OF ALL ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(Including military, naval, and civilian service. Each department, branch, or independent office in which applicant served in a civilian capacity should be listed separately)

	Beginning			Ending			Remarks
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	
Army							
Navy							
Marine Corps							
Civilian employment							
Keeper & Asst. Keeper	August	2	1919	October	28,	1935	Lighthouse Service.
Total service							16 yr. 2 mo. 28 days

Does applicant receive or has he applied for a pension from the Government under any law? No If so, give number of pension certificate or of claim:

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act? No If so, give number of claim:

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the Federal Compensation Act, as amended? No.

If so, state the compensation received:

STATEMENT BY FISCAL YEARS OF BASIC PAY RECEIVED DURING LAST FIVE YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT

(Compute service on basis of 30 days a month. Do not include periods of leave without pay, sickness, quarters, or other allowances)

Designation	Beginning			Ending			Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year		
Keeper	Dec.	1	1930	June	30	1931	1860.00	$1085.00
do.	July	1	1931	June	30	1932	1860.00	1860.00
do.	July	1	1932	June	30	1933	1860.00	1860.00
do.	July	1	1933	June	30	1934	1860.00	1860.00
do.	July	1	1934	June	30	1935	1860.00	1860.00
do.	July	1	1935	Nov.	30	1935	1860.00	775.00
						Total		$9300.00

Total compensation for last five years of active service $9300.00

Average compensation for last five years of active service $1860.00

Annual rate of retired pay ($1860.00 × years 16.244 (not exceeding 30)) = $755.35

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Date October 28, 1935.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Fourth District

Philadelphia, Pa.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective November 30, ~~October 31~~, 1935.
on the basis of service shown hereon.

Frank Smith Palmer, Keeper,
(Name)

Brandywine Shoal Light Station.
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Philadelphia, Pa. *Date* ?

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $ 755.98
per annum, effective at the close of November 30, 1935.

It is certified that the record of service and pay shown on Page 2 is correct as shown by the records of this office, and that all Government service shown has been verified.

N. C. Maayen
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*,

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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July 1, 1928.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1740

To: $1860

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Form A-38

Noted 1/19/27

Noted 4/30/27

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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19 JAN 1927
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

January 1, 1927.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective January 1, 1927.

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1680 per annum.

To: $1740 per annum.

Service and grade: Field.

Appropriation (unit):

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Superintendent, 4th L. H. District,
Philadelphia, Penna, January 15th, 1927.

DISTRICT CIRCULAR LETTER No. 29

To all Keepers and Assistant Keepers:

1 As required by the Regulations 1918, paragraph 498, you are informed that the following named keepers have been awarded Efficiency Stars for efficiency in complying with the Regulations of the Lighthouse Service, during the year ending December 31, 1926.

Harry H. Palmer, Keeper, Cape May Light Station, N. J.
Frank S. Palmer, Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del.
Linwood Spicer, Keeper, Marcus Hook Rear Light Station, Del.

2 Of those named above, the Commissioner's Efficiency Star has been awarded to Mr. Harry H. Palmer, of Cape May Light Station, he having earned the Superintendent's Efficiency Star for eight consecutive years.

3 The Efficiency Flag has been awarded to Cape May Light Station, of which Mr. Harry H. Palmer is Keeper, for the calendar year of 1927.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Attached Service Card St 1/7/27

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Mr. F. S. Palmer, Keeper,
Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del.,
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses).

Sir:

The Commissioner of Lighthouses has reported to me that you performed a satisfactory detail of duty at the National Sesquicentennial Exposition held during the past year at Philadelphia. I take pleasure in expressing my appreciation of the services rendered by you, which contributed materially to the success of the Department's exhibit. A copy of this letter will be placed on your official record.

Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) J. WALTER DRAKE

Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, Copy to ____ Supt.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Superintendent, 4th L. H. District,
Philadelphia, Penna, January 18, 1926.

DISTRICT CIRCULAR LETTER No. 28

To all Keepers and Assistant Keepers:

1 As required by the Regulations 1918, paragraph 498, you are informed that the following named keepers have been awarded Efficiency Stars for efficiency in complying with the Regulations of the Lighthouse Service, during the year ending December 31, 1925.

Harry H. Palmer, Keeper, Cape May Light Station, N. J.
Frank S. Palmer, Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del.
Linwood Spicer, Keeper, Marcus Hook Rear Light Station, Del.

2 Of those named above, the Commissioner's Efficiency Star has been awarded to Mr. Harry H. Palmer, of Cape May Light Station, he having earned the Superintendent's Efficiency Star for seven consecutive years.

3 The Efficiency Flaghas been awarded to Cape May Light Station, of which Mr. Harry H. Palmer is Keeper, for the calendar year of 1926.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

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LIGHTHOUSES 1925 FEB 5 PM 12 54

FEB 6 1925 PHILADELPHIA

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Sir: Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses,

In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper

Salary: $1680

4th

Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Superintendent, 4th L. H. District
Philadelphia, Penna, January 23rd, 1925.

DISTRICT CIRCULAR LETTER No. 27

To all Keepers and Assistant Keepers:

1 As required by the Regulations 1918, paragraph 498, you are informed that the following named keepers have been awarded Efficiency Stars for efficiency in complying with the Regulations of the Lighthouse Service, during the year ending December 31, 1924.

Harry H. Palmer, Keeper, Cape May Light Station, N. J.
Frank S. Palmer, Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del.
Jos. M. Harrison, Keeper, New Castle Range Rear Light Station, Del.

2 Of those named above, the Commissioner's Efficiency Star has been awarded to Mr. Harry H. Palmer, of Cape May Light Station, he having earned the Superintendent's Efficiency Star for six consecutive years.

3 The Efficiency Flag has been awarded to Cape May Light Station, of which Mr. Harry H. Palmer is Keeper, for the calendar year of 1925.

B. DORRY
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Form A-21

LIGHTHOUSES

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 24, 1924.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $1320 per annum to $1380 per annum, effective August 2, 1924 (including $60 per annum longevity pay).

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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Supt.,
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August 16, 1920.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Lewes, Del.

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is Department notice of August 2, 1920, changing your salary from $900.00 to $1080.00 per annum. This notice covers your promotion and appointment to the position of keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware Bay, Delaware, effective August 4, 1920.

2. No new appointment is issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

Respectfully,

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:
C. W. HITCHENS
First Asst. Superintendent.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Supt.

August 3, 1920

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,
C/o Mr. Geo. A. Holston,
Lewes, Delaware.

1. You are informed that you have been nominated for appointment as keeper of Brandywine Shoal L. S. effective August 4, 1920. The papers will be sent you as soon as received.

2. Mr. Wm. Virdin has been selected for 1st Asst. Keeper and has been directed to report to you as soon as practicable.

3. Mr. Virdin has had previous experience in the Lighthouse Service and may safely be left in charge of the station.

E. S. DORSEY

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS--LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 2, 1920.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $900. per annum to $1080. per annum, effective August 4, 1920 or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

PERMANENT

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fourth DISTRICT.

Philadelphia, Penna., July 30, 1920
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, promotion and appointment.

Name, **Frank S. Palmer** Legal residence, **Delaware.**

Position, **Keeper** Salary, **$1080. p.a.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal Lt.Sta., Delaware Bay, Delaware.** Appropriation, **Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **August 4, 1920** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, First Assistant Keeper Former salary, **$840. p.a.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal Lightstation, Delaware Bay, Delaware.**

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

Previous incumbent, John Colofen Services terminated, **July 31, 1920**

Reason, **Resigned effective on above date.**

Members of family in Government Service, One.

Remarks: Quarters not furnished by Government for family.

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

E. B. DORRY

Secretary, Civil Service District. **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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Supt.,

March 5, 1920.

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Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Lewes, Del.

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is Department notice of March 2, 1920, changing your salary from $840.00 to $900.00 per annum. This notice covers your promotion and appointment to the position of first assistant keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware Bay, Delaware, and is effective on the date on which you enter upon duty at the increased rate of pay.

2. No new appointment is issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

Respectfully,

L. E. DOREY

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES MAR 5 1920 PHILADELPHIA

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Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses. March 2, 1920.

r. Frank S. Palmer,

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ per annum to $ per annum, effective

Sir:

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required. 840. 960.

April 1, 1920 or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty at the increased rate of pay.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,
(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Fourth District
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NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Supt., Fourth DISTRICT,

PERMANENT

Philadelphia, Penna., February 27, 1920. 137
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion and appointment.

Name, **Frank S. Palmer.** Legal residence, **Delaware.**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper.** Salary, **$900.00 per annum.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware Bay, Delaware.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **April 1, 1920.** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty,~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Second Assistant Keeper. Former salary, **$840.00 per annum.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware Bay, Delaware.**

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

Previous incumbent, Clinton H. Hickman. Services terminated, **March 31, 1920.**

Reason, **Resigned.**

Members of family in Government Service, One.

Remarks:

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

E. E. DOREY

Secretary, Civil Service District. *Superintendent, 4th Lighthouse District*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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Supt.,
~~xxxxxx~~

August 7, 1919.

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Mr. Frank S. Palmer, 2nd Asst. Keeper,
Brandywine Shoal Light Station,
C/o Mr. Geo. A. Holston,
Lewes, Delaware.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter of 1 August 1919, appointing you 2nd Asst. Keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light Station, with pay at the rate of $840. per annum, effective on the date of entrance on duty.

2. Subscribe to the enclosed Oath of Office at the first opportunity and forward it promptly to this office.

3. Execute Personal Question Sheet to and include question No. 27 and then return the paper to this office. Answer every question from one to twenty-~~one~~ seven inclusive.

4. Form #124, "Declaration of Appointee", can be executed before any employee of the Lighthouse Service, after which the form should be returned to this office for filing.

5. There is also enclosed a copy of Dept. Cir. 253, re political activity. You are requested to fill in and detach the bottom portion and forward same to this office along with the other papers. The top portion of this paper is to be retained by you for your information, as well as the 2nd sheet of Form #124.

6. In addition to the above, there is also enclosed a copy of circular letter dated 25 April '17 and a copy of Form 206, "Record of Physical Examination." In order that you may qualify for free medical relief, if required, during your term of service, please take this Form 206 to Dr. Wm. P. Orr, at Lewes, Del., an officer of the Public Health Service and undergo a physical examination. After examination, send your record on this form to this office, in order that a copy may be made of it for our files, after which it will be returned to you.

7. For your information, you are informed that resignation on less than 30 days' notice will be regarded as tending to the embarrassment of the Service and may be construed as warranting dismissal for cause, under Par. 458, Regulations, 1914.

B. B. DORRY

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

PERMANENT

LIGHT AUG 4 1919 HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 1, 1919

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES AUG 6 1919 PHILADELPHIA.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

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, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Eight Hundred and Forty 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, 3rd Civil Service District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD MARTINEK

Chief of Appointment Division.

C/S

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harry Fuller.

Legal Residence: Delaware.

(See reverse side.)

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4th District.

Entered 9/17/19

Oath fwd. 9/17/19

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Seniority card made 8/11/19

17.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Light House Service
(Branch of service or department.)

Lewes, Del
(Name of city.) (State.)

September 15, 1919

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES SEP 17 1919 PHILADELPHIA.

DECLARATION OF APPOINTEE.

This form must be executed by the appointee before he enters on duty. ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO THE PROVISIONS OF LAW AS QUOTED ON ATTACHED FORM. False personation in an examination is a criminal offense, and will be prosecuted accordingly.

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
1. What was your age on your last birthday and what was the date of your birth?	48 years Date of birth Sept 16th 1870
2. Where were you born?	Sussex county Delaware
3. What were the names of the persons who signed the vouchers to your application?	Tri. Revd. D.R. de W. Hocker J.D. Thompson W.H. Pettyjohn R.B. Bryan
4. In what city or town, and in what building were you examined?	Lewes Dr the office of Dr. W. Hocker
5. To what position have you been appointed? State the salary. If temporary, so state.	Second assistant Keeper

6. Are any members of your family or relatives (either blood or by marriage) in the U. S. Government Service? Answer "yes" or "no" ..... If so, fill in the following blanks. If additional space is necessary use back of this sheet.

Name.	Post-office address. (Give street No. if any.)	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
[illegible]	Lewes Del	Position 2nd assistant Department or [illegible]		
Fred C. Hill	Pt Pen Del	Position Keeper Department or office Commissary	Bro in law	Married
		Position ..... Department or office		

7. Have any of the above-named persons entered the Government service since the execution of your application for examination? No ..... If so, give the name of each such person .....

8. Will you inform yourself of and observe the provisions of the civil service law and rules and Executive orders concerning political activity, political coercion, political assessments, use of influence to secure promotion, etc., as quoted on the attached form? Yes

I hereby certify that the answers to the foregoing questions are true in every particular.

X Frank E. Palmer
(Signature.)

Madison St Lewes Delaware
(Give here your present post-office address, city and state, including street and number.)

The officer before whom the above certificate is made is requested to sign the following:

If the answer to question 6 includes two or more names, and is not IDENTICAL in every respect with answer to similar question in the application, this form must be submitted for approval before appointment is made.

The above certificate was executed before me, in his own handwriting, by, the identical person who has reported for assignment to duty.

Was photograph of appointee furnished you? ..... If so, is it a correct likeness of the person who executed this form? .....

This is to be signed by an officer of the department or bureau to which the appointee belongs, not by a notary public, and does not need to be sworn to.

Geo. A. Holston
(Signature.)

Kpr. Lewes Lt. Ho. Depot
(Official title.)

Lewes Del

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(The paper should be returned to Chief Clerk of bureau when completed.)

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of Department Circular No. 253 (second edition), of September 22, 1914, relating to political activity of officeholders, and fully understand its purport.

Frank S. Palmer
(Name.)

Second assistant Keeper
(Position.)

Dept of Commerce
(Bureau, Office, or Service.)

11—3014

Date, 9/15- 1919

(This acknowledgment should be forwarded to, and filed in, the bureau or office to which appointee is assigned.)

SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS
SEP 17 1919
PHILADELPHIA

Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RECEIVED
JUL 25 1919
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~INSPECTOR~~ Supt., Fourth DISTRICT,

Philadelphia, Penna. July 24, 1919
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, **Frank S. Palmer** Legal residence, **Delaware**

Position, **Second Assistant Keeper** Salary, **$840. p.a.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal L.H., Delaware Bay, Del.** Appropriation, **Salaries, keepers of Lighthouses.**

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

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

Location, ----

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, **Asst. Kpr. Kpr. or** Percentage, **93.3**, Other eligibles considered:

Hart & Futcher

Previous incumbent, Harry Fuller Services terminated, **July 15, 1919**

Reason, **Resigned**

Relatives in Government Service, One

Remarks: Quarters not furnished by Government for family.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. JUL 25 1919, 191

STEWART WILSON
Secretary, 3 Civil Service District.

B. B. DORRY
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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July 24, 1919.

Frank S. Palmer,
Lewes, Del.

Sir:

1. You have been nominated for probational appointment as 2nd Assistant Keeper, Brandywine Shoal L. S., Delaware Bay, vice Harry Fuller, resigned, effective August 1, 1919.

2. Please hold yourself in readiness to report to Mr. Geo. A. Holston at Lewes, Del. for this duty when so directed.

Respectfully,

B. B. DORRY
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Copy of this letter to Mr. Holston,
" " " " " Keeper, Brandywine Shoal L.S.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Frank S. Palmer #2 (Name)

Del. (Legal Residence)

STATUS

11—8940

DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	BUREAU—SERVICE—STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
Keeper	Prob.	$840	Lighthouses. Brandywine Shoal Del.	Aug. 2, 1919
"	Prom.	900	" " "	Mar. 4, 1920
"	"	1080	" " "	Aug. 4, 1920
"	Read. of Pay	1320	" " "	July 1, 1924
"	Incr. Long.	1380	" " "	Aug. 2, 1924
"	Readjustment of pay Act - Dec. 8, 1924	1680	" " "	Feb. 1, 1925
"	INCREASE IN COMPENSATION	1740	" " "	JAN 1 1927
"	COMPENSATION Act. May 28, 1928.	1860	" " "	JUL 1 1928
	Retired Dec. 1, 1935 (disability) $759.36 pa			

7/1/39 Transferred from Bureau of Lighthouses, Department of Commerce, and consolidated with United States Coast Guard, under terms of Plan No. 2 of Reorganization Act of 1939, approved by Congress April 3, 1939.

File received - MAR 18 1940

December 3, 1935.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of the act of March 4, 1925, entitled an act to provide for retirement for disability in the Lighthouse Service, you are, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, hereby retired from that service (Fourth District), with retired pay at the rate of $759.36 per annum, effective beginning December 1, 1935.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

[redacted] J. GARDNER

DEC 16 1935

Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Form 9

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

1935 NOV 4 AM 8:45

1935 NOV 18 PM 2:02

Date October 28, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Fourth District

Philadelphia, Pa.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective October 31, 1935. on the basis of service shown hereon.

Disability Retirement
Reg. 3 mos + 29 days service.

Frank Smith Palmer

Frank Smith Palmer, Keeper.
(Name)

Brandywine Shoal Light Station.
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Philadelphia, Pa, *Date* Nov. 2, 1935.

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $755.24 9.36 (Kw)

per annum, effective at the close of November 30, 1935.

It is certified that the record of service and pay shown on Page 2 is correct as shown by the records of this office, and that all Government service shown has been verified.

(Certificate of medical examination by U.S.Public Health Surgeon attached).

N.C.Manyon
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*, November 18, 1935

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval, in accordance with the Act of March 4, 1925, providing for disability retirement in the Lighthouse Service.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN DEC 18 1935 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

W P Harman
Acting *Commissioner of Lighthouses.*

Action O. K.

Chief Clerk

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

11—10551

11-29-35

Mr Palmer should be retired
not reexamined says
Dr. Whitehead

Form 9
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Name Frank Smith Palmer Date of birth September 16, 1870

Designation Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Lightstation, Delaware Bay, Del.

RECORD OF ALL ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(Including military, naval, and civilian service. Each department, branch, or independent office in which applicant served in a civilian capacity should be listed separately)

	Beginning			Ending			Remarks
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	
Army							
Navy							
Marine Corps							
Civilian employment							Y - M - D
~~Lighthouse Service~~	Aug.	4	1919	Nov.	30	1935	16 - 3 - 29
~~Xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~	~~Nov~~	~~29~~	~~1933~~	~~Xxxx~~	~~30~~	~~1935~~	
Total service	~~Sixteen, and 110/360 years.~~ 3 months and 29 days. (Bu)						

Does applicant receive or has he applied for a pension from the Government under any law? No If so, give number of pension certificate or of claim: ---

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act? No If so, give number of claim: ---

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the Federal Compensation Act, as amended? --- No

If so, state the compensation received: ---

STATEMENT BY FISCAL YEARS OF BASIC PAY RECEIVED DURING LAST FIVE YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT

(Compute service on basis of 30 days a month. Do not include periods of leave without pay, rations, quarters, or other allowance)

Designation	Beginning			Ending			Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year		
	Dec.	1						
Lighthouse Keeper	~~Nov.~~	~~29~~	1930	June	30	1931	$1860. pa	$1100.50
"	July	1	1931	June	30	1932	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1932	June	30	1933	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1933	June	30	1934	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1934	June	30	1935	1860. pa	1860.00
"	July	1	1935	Nov.	30	1935	1860. pa	759.50

Total compensation for last five years of active service $9300.00

Average compensation for last five years of active service $1860.00 p.a.

Annual rate of retired pay ($1860.00 × years ~~16 110/360~~ 40) = ~~$759.84~~ 36

(Not exceeding 30)

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Form 9a

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NOV 11 1935
PHILADELPHIA

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION, DISABILITY RETIREMENT

(Act of March 4, 1925)

November 7, 1935
(Date)

NAME OF CLAIMANT Frank Smith Palmer DESIGNATION Keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, New Jersey

Here give a complete personal description, together with permanent marks and scars other than those described below in physical examination:

Height 5 ft. 9 in. Weight 185 pounds. Complexion medium

Color of eyes brown Color of hair gray

Claimant makes the following statement in regard to the origin, nature, and extent of the alleged disability: Patient states that about Sept. 15, 1935 he noticed that dental plate was irritating gum and there was some swelling and slight hemorrhage. Dentist told patient that bone was involved. Oct. 7, 1935, he saw a physician and was referred to the hospital. The swelling had increased in size. About 3 weeks ago, patient noticed ache in left leg, gradually becoming worse; motion seemed to alleviate pain.

Here describe fully nature of disability: Epithelioma of buccal margin, maxilla, left.
Sciatica, left.

Claimant describes the duties of his position as follows: Principal keeper, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, involving responsibility of light and fog signal apparatus, upkeep of station property, direct responsibility for all Government property on the station, and responsibility for proper efficiency and instruction relative to two assistant keepers under his jurisdiction.

65 years of age

Is disability to perform such duty of a permanent character? Yes

Is it indicated that applicant may recover from disability and be fit for restoration to active duty? Questionable Do you recommend reexamination ~~with this in view~~? Observation from time to time for benefit of patient.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that upon examination I find the above-named claimant to be disabled for useful and efficient service by reason of the disability above described, which is not due to vicious habits, intemperance, or willful misconduct on his part.

The examining physician must be in the Federal Service

U.S.Marine Hospital, Baltimore, Md.
(Place of examination)

H.L. Skinner
H.L.Skinner, (Examining Surgeon)
P.A.Surgeon, U.S.P.H.S.
(Title and branch of medical service)

HLS:ls

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1934 11—10543

U. S. MARINE HOSPITAL
REMINGTON AVE. AND WYMAN PARK DRIVE

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

BALTIMORE, MD.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NOV
11
1935
PHILADELPHIA

November 7, 1935

Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Custom House
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: (Through the Medical Officer in Charge)

In compliance with your request of November 6, 1935, relative to the case of Frank S. Palmer, lighthouse keeper, there are attached corrected copies of Form 9a, Certificate of Medical Examination, Disability Retirement.

In reference to paragraph 2 of your communication, you are informed that Mr. Palmer is now suffering from epithelioma of the buccal margin, left maxilla, and, sciatica, left side. The epithelioma appears to be responding to treatment with x-ray and radium, which has now been discontinued but the patient will require further observation and probable institution of this treatment again in December. The pain in the left thigh at this time is of such a nature to prevent him from carrying on his duties.

The duration of this man's disability is indefinite. If he does recover from the present disability, it is doubtful whether he will be able to return to active duty. The reason for this statement is the fact that the man is now 65 years of age and is suffering from cancer of the mouth which in all probability will require a long period of observation and treatment, and, if he does recover the liability of recurrence which may cause further disability should be considered.

Respectfully,

H. L. Skinner

H. L. Skinner,
P. A. Surgeon, U.S.P.H.S.

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Forwarded:

T. B. H. Anderson

T. B. H. Anderson,
Medical Officer in Charge.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1740

To: $1860

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LIGHTHOUSES

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Mr. F. S. Palmer, Keeper,
Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del.,
(Through Commissioner of Lighthouses).

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Sir:

The Commissioner of Lighthouses has reported to me that you performed a satisfactory detail of duty at the National Sesquicentennial Exposition held during the past year at Philadelphia. I take pleasure in expressing my appreciation of the services rendered by you, which contributed materially to the success of the Department's exhibit. A copy of this letter will be placed on your official record.

Very truly yours,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

LIGHTHOUSES--Secretary's files

Exact copy as signed by _____

Mailed _____ by _____

See mine file 1351

Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

January 1, 1927.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective January 1, 1927.

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

JAN 12 1927
CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1680 per annum.

To: $1740 per annum.

Service and grade: Field.

Appropriation (unit):

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JAN 13 1927 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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APPROVED BY THE ACTING SECRETARY 1/11/27

FILE 1093.1

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 11—9051

CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Palmer, Frank S.

POSITION Keeper

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

STATION 4th Dist.

CIRCULAR #11----9/15/23

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Subtracted
1080	240	1320	CR	164.25	1484.25	LHS	7	1560	yes	60	

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23

approv - $1560

GRADE RECOMMENDED 7

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1560 TO $1620

Subsistence allowance of 45 cents per day - $164.25 p.a.

16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:
Kind of equipment **Uniform**; annual cost, $ **50.00 est.**

17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
(a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☒ 8
(b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
(c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
(d) College: Name -; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
(e) Post graduate work: Kind -; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
(f) Correspondence courses: Kind -; number of lessons ; number completed

18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.)

	Percentage of total time given to each task
1. Standing watch - average 6 hrs. per night	25
2. Cleaning and adjusting apparatus - average 1 hr. per day	4-1/6
3. General work keeping tower and station clean - average 1 hr. per day	4-1/6
4. Operating and caring for fog signal - average 2 hrs. per day	8-1/3
5. Standing by at station for all other purposes 14 hrs. per day	58-1/3
	100 %

(This station is isolated. Quarters for Keepers' only. Communication is by boat - often difficult).

L CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1
filled out in accordance with detailed instruction sheet, Form No. 2)

Sheet No. 13
2—12758

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE			
	a		
	b		
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1. Palmer (Surname) Frank (Given name) S. (Initial)
2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field Service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field Station 4th Lighthouse District
   (b) Subdivision Brandywine Shoal Light Station
   (c) City or town Delaware Bay State Del.
6. Pay-roll title Keeper
7. Customary office title Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day Continuous; per week -
   (b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day -; or per week -
   (c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From - m. to - m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year -
   During what months -
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation -
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $ 1080. per annum; bonus, $ 240. per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $ 1080. per " ; bonus, $ 240. per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate ---
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☒ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☒ Fuel; ☒ Light; ☒ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum
    Subsistence allowance of 45 cents per day - $164.25 p.a.
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:
    Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $ 50.00 est.
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
    (a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☒ 8
    (b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
    (d) College: Name -; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (e) Post graduate work: Kind -; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
    (f) Correspondence courses: Kind -; number of lessons ---; number completed ---
18. Description of work. (Describe the various tasks performed, making the description of each as detailed as space will permit. Use a paragraph for each task and number the paragraphs. In the column at the right state the estimated percentage of the total time—in the course of a day, month, or year—given to each task.)

	Percentage of total time given to each task
1. Standing watch - average 6 hrs. per night	25
2. Cleaning and adjusting apparatus - average 1 hr. per day	4-1/6
3. General work keeping tower and station clean - average 1 hr. per day	4-1/6
4. Operating and caring for fog signal - average 2 hrs. per day	8-1/3
5. Standing by at station for all other purposes 14 hrs. per day	58-1/3
	100 %

(This station is isolated. Quarters for Keepers' only. Communication is by boat - often difficult).

19. Does employee work under immediate supervision, or to a large extent upon his own responsibility? (Describe fully.)

In charge of light station and fog signal. Responsible for its proper operation under printed regulations and general instructions by Superintendent.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? yes

If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

Three employees at this Station. Keeper has direction and supervision over the 1st Assistant and 2nd Assistant in maintaining light and fog signal - keeping station in order and making minor repairs where mechanics are not required.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since appointment Aug. 4, 1920

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

JUL 10 1923 (Date), 1923. R B Darry (Signature of Preparing Officer) Superintendent 4th Lighthouse District. (Title)

23. I have read the foregoing and I agree to it except as follows:

(Signature of Employee)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE FIELD OFFICE OR STATION

24. Indicate by an "X" in the proper spaces below the qualifications and personal traits considered important for the satisfactory performance of the duties of this position:

	High Degree	Average	Not Essential
Judgment	X		
Accuracy		X	
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)	X		
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)			X
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

Educational Training	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		
Common School		X

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent From 1 to 3 yrs. as an Assistant Keeper & ability to operate internal combustion engines & oil vapor light.

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $1500. to $1620.

JUL 10 1923 (Date), 1923. R B Darry (Signature of head of field office or station) Superintendent 4th Lighthouse District (Title)

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 2—12758

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

r. Frank S. Palmer,
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Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Sir: Through the

In connection with the readjustment of pay of positions in the Lighthouse Service the total compensation of the position occupied by you has been fixed as indicated below, effective February 1, 1925.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

Acting EDW. J. GAFFNEY,
Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper
Salary: $1680
4th
Appropriations: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.
JSJ

FEB 5 - 1925

CARDED.

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 24, 1924.

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $1320 per annum to $1380 per annum, effective August 2, 1924 (including $60 per annum longevity pay).

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 31 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IN REPLY REFER TO
FILE NO. 557.

CHIEF CLERK
1924 JUL 24 AM 11 08

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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F.S.Palmer,
Longevity Pay.

July 22, 1924.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUL 24 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

Commissioner of Lighthouses,
Washington, D.C.

1. On August 2, 1924, Mr. Frank S. Palmer, keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light-Station, Delaware, will have completed five years of continuous service.

2. I respectfully recommend that longevity pay of $5.00 per month be granted him on the date named.

from 1320 to 1380 incl 60 long

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
JUL 23 1924
ACTION TAKEN
JUL 31 1924
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

7/24/24

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval

E. C. Gillette
Acting Commissioner

APPROVED:
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ACTING SECRETARY OF COMMERCE.

(CROSS REFERENCE)

Palmer Frank O. In accordance with authority

of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-

adjusted to $ 1520, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated AUG 1 1924 File No. 1095/21.

Cross Reference

September 10, 1920, The Bureau of Lighthouses advises the Department of the dates of effect. of promotions. of the following:

CONARD? OSCAR A. Transfered, Reduces, and appted. keeper of Tinicum Island Rear light station, N. J. at $720 permannum effective July 1, 1920 this employee was keeper of Elbow of cross ledge L. S. Del. Bay. N.J. prior to transfer, at $960. pa.

HARRISON, CLYDE. Promoted from addl. keeper at large at$660 Pa. to Second Asst. keeper of Fourteen foot bank L.S. Effective, July, 1, 1920 . Del. Bay. Del. at $780 Pa.

PALMER, FRANK S. Promoted from 1st. asst. keeper of Brandywine Shoal L. S. Del. Bay. Del. at $900 pa. to keeper of the same station at $1080. Pa. Effective, Aug. 4, 1920.

VIRDIN, WILLIAM. Promoted from 2nd asst. keeper of Brandywine shoal L.S. Del. Bay. Del. at $840 Pa. to 1st, asst. Keeper of same Station. at $900 Pa. Effect. Aug. 4, 1920.

See File. of Oscar A. Conard. Signed B. B. Morrey.

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS--LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 2, 1920.

M r. Frank S. Palmer,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 900. per annum to $ 1080. per annum, effective August 4, 1920 or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and an oath of office is not required.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED
U. S. REPORT DATE ENTERED

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Form 73
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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES JUL 31 1920

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Fourth DISTRICT,

Philadelphia, Penna., July 30 1920
(City.) (Date.)

CHIEF CLERK

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

1920 AUG 2 AM 8 51

Action recommended, promotion and appointment.

Name, **Frank S. Palmer** Legal residence, **Delaware.**

Position, **Keeper** Salary, **$1080. p.a.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal Lt.Sta., Delaware Bay, Delaware.** Appropriation, **Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **August 4, 1920** {~~the date of assumption of duties~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, First Assistant Keeper Former salary, ($900.) **$840. p.a.**

Location, **Brandywine Shoal Lightstation, Delaware Bay, Delaware.**

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

APPOINTMENTS

Previous incumbent, John Colofen Services terminated, **July 31, 1920** 1920 AUG 2 AM 10 00

Reason, **Resigned effective on above date.**

Members of family in Government Service, One.

Remarks: Quarters not furnished by Government for family.

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

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

A B Darrey

Secretary, Civil Service District. **Superintendent of Lighthouses.**

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUL 31 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1920 JUL 31 PM 12 25

H. B. Bowerman

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses. March 2, 1920.

r. Frank S. Palmer,

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ per annum to $ per annum, effective
Sir:

No new appointment will be issued to you as a result of this change, and your oath of office is considered as executed as you enter on duty at the increased rate of pay.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
MAR - 1920
PD JOURNAL
DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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Fourth District
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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IN REPLY REFER TO
FILE NO.

LIGHT HOUSES
APR 2 1920

Supt.,
OFFICE OF 4TH DISTRICT
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

April 1, 1920.

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington.

APPOINTMENTS 1920 APR 3 PM 2 26

SUBJECT: Effective date of promotions.

REFERENCE: Bureau end. of Feb.20,'20 on copy of Dept. letter of Feb.12,'20.

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For the information of the Bureau and the Department, the following changes took effect in this district today:

PALMER, FRANK S. Promoted from second assistant keeper of Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware, at $840.00 per annum, to first assistant keeper of the same station, at $900.00 per annum.

COVERDALE, FRANK W. Promoted from additional keeper at large at $660.00 per annum to second assistant keeper of Miah Maull Shoal Light Station, New Jersey, at $780.00 per annum.

CARDED

B B Darrow

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
APR 3 1920

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

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Acting Commissioner

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
FEB 28 1920
HOUSES

Supt.,
OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~DIRECTOR~~ Fourth DISTRICT,

Philadelphia, Penna., February 27, 1920. ~~xxx~~
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion and appointment.

Name, **Frank S. Palmer.** Legal residence, **Delaware.**

Position, (First Assistant) Keeper. Salary, $900.00 per annum.

Location, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware Bay, Delaware. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective April 1, 1920. ~~xxx actual date of entrance on duty xxx~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, (Second Assistant) Keeper. Former salary, $840.00 per annum.

Location, Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Delaware Bay, Delaware.

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

Previous incumbent, Clinton H. Hickman. Services terminated, March 31, 1920.

Reason, **Resigned.**

Members of family in Government Service, One.

Remarks:

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

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent, 4th Lighthouse District

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
MAR 2 - 1920
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON
FEB 28 1920

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1920 FEB 28 PM 3 50

Acting Commissioner

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

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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 Frank Smith Palmer

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

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) Brandywine Shoal (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) # 4 (District.)

4. Position to which appointed Second assistant Keeper

5. Compensation $ 840 per annum

6. Appropriation from which paid Government (Salaries, Keepers of Light-Houses)

7. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination, ———, 1919;" or "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

By examination (From Examination for Keeper Assistant Keeper, Mar. 12, 1919.)

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

Lewes (City or town.) Delaware (State or Territory.) Sussex (County.) # 10 (at Large) (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.

(Does not differ)

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

11. Where were you born? Sussex County Delaware

12. When were you born? September (Month.) 16th (Day.) 1870 (Year.)

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

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 Frank S. Palmer (Name.) Madison St (Number and street.)

Lewes (City or town.) Delaware (State or Territory.)

CARD

SEP 17 1919 SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES PHILADELPHIA

SEP 22

LIGHT SEP 20 1919 HOUSES

16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? .....

(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.
Fred L. Hill	Port. Pa. Del	Position Keeper Department or office	Son in Law	
		Position Department or office		Married
		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.) 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.
	No		

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) ..... Me

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service ..... None

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? [redacted] It is intended ... 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.)

Employed by the Delaware Breakwater Fisheries Company

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.)

Primary

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

(C. S. Exam. for Keeper + Assistant Keeper, March 12, 1919.)

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.)

My Self

Date, 9/15, 1919

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) Frank S. Palmer

P. O. Address: Lewes
City or town.
Madison St
Number and street.
Delaware
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 SEP 18 1919, 191

(Signature) [signature]

(Official title) Superintendent, 4th Lighthouse District

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

APPOINTMENTS SEP 20 1919

CHIEF CLERK

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SEP 17 1919 PHILADELPHIA

LIGHT SEP 20 1919 HOUSES

I, Frank S. Palmer

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.

Frank S. Palmer
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 15th day of September, A. D. 1919.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Nathan B. Register

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires March 30-1919

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Second Assistant Keeper	$840 p.a.	Brandywine Shoal Light Station, Del
Former [5]		

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

CARDED

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Office of Lighthouse Supt., Inspector, Fourth District

Philadelphia, Pa., (Address) September 17, 1919. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on August 2, 1919. (Date)

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
(Signature followed by title)

[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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Notes 9/17/19 fat

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 1, 1919

Mr. Frank S. Palmer,

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, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Eight Hundred and Forty 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, 3rd Civil Service District.

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AUG 1 1919
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLINTON HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

C/S

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harry Fuller.

Legal Residence: Delaware.

(See reverse side.)

C. REPORT DATA ENTERED 4th District.

Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~INSPECTOR~~ Supt., Fourth DISTRICT.

Philadelphia, Penna. July 24, 1919
(City.) (Date.)

THIRD U. S. CIVIL SERVICE DISTRICT RECEIVED JUL 25 1919 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

LIGHT JUL 28 1919 HOUSES

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

CHIEF CLERK

Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, Frank S. Palmer — Legal residence, Delaware

1919 JUL 29 PM 2 23

Position, Second Assistant Keeper — Salary, $840. p.a.

Location, Brandywine Shoal L.H., Delaware Bay, Del. — Appropriation, Salaries, keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective August 1, 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, 1 — Rating, Asst. Kpr. Kpr. or — Percentage, 93.3 — Other eligibles considered:

Hart & Futcher

Previous incumbent, Harry Fuller — Services terminated, July 15, 1919

Reason, Resigned

1919 JUL 29 PM 2 52

Relatives in Government Service, One

Remarks: Quarters not furnished by Government for family.

508 7/29/19.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. JUL 25 1919, 191

Stewart Wilson
Secretary, 3rd Civil Service District.

STEWART WILSON

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUL 28 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1919 JUL 29 PM 2 19

Conway
Acting Commissioner

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN JUL 31 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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

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Form 93 NE 8/7/40

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

~~TREASURY DEPARTMENT~~
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
~~LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE~~
U. S. Coast Guard
OFFICE OF ~~SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES~~ New York DISTRICT,
New York, N. Y.
22 July, 1940, 19

~~Commandant:-~~
~~COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:~~
Headquarters is advised of the death
~~Herewith is transmitted the resignation~~ of the following-named employee:

Name, Frank S. Palmer Position, Former Keeper.

Legal residence, Delaware Station, Brandywine Shoal Lt. Sta., Del.

Retired pay ~~Salary~~, $759.36 per annum

Mr. Palmer died on 16 July, 1940.

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

~~This employee has~~ taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks: Mr. Palmer was retired under the Lighthouse Service Retirement Act, effective December 1, 1935.

P. E. SHAW
By direction

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

11—4623

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

JUL 20 1940
NEW YORK DISTRICT

Office of Coast Guard Representative
803 Customhouse
2nd and Chestnut Streets
Philadelphia, Pa.

19 July, 1940.

From: Coast Guard Representative, Philadelphia, Pa.
To: Commander, New York District.

Subject: Frank S. Palmer, keeper (retired), Brandywine Shoal Light Station; death.

1. This office has been advised of the death of subject-named man on 18 July, 1940, at 0635.

2. Funeral will be held from the Atkins Funeral Parlors, Lewes, Del., on 20 July, 1940, at 1430.

L. E. WELLS

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