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REFERENCE SERVICE SLIP
Archival Research Room Record Request
National Archives at St. Louis

Date: 7/7/2025

REQUESTER INFORMATION

Name (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Researcher ID Card Number
Burns, Andrew	
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
Pierce, William, H.		1867 Bahamas

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 (FL)		
From: 1907	To: 1936	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	

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

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STAFF USE ONLY

Appointment Time and Date:

Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

CMRS Service Request Number: C-00059733 16

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Attendant Signature:

Remarks: Submitted to Arch Search 7/17/25 Soundex: P620

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SCREENING NOTES

- ☒ Reviewed and Nothing Removed
- ☐ 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:

STANDARD FORM 127
APRIL 1952
PRESCRIBED BY GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
REG. 3-IV-302.

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER
(SEPARATED EMPLOYEE)

1. DATE OF REQUEST

Submit in duplicate to the Federal Records Center, St. Louis, Mo.

SECTION I—TO BE COMPLETED BY REQUESTING OFFICE

General Services Administration
Records Management Service, Region 6
Federal Records Center
1724 Locust Street
St. Louis 3, Mo.

2. NAME (*Last, first, middle*)	3. NAME UNDER WHICH FORMERLY EMPLOYED FEDERALLY (*If other than item 2*)	4. DATE OF BIRTH
Pierce, William Henry		February 19, 1866

5. FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYING OFFICE (*Agency, bureau or equivalent, address, and dates of employment*)
U.S. Coast Guard
Washington, D.C.
Retired 3/1/36

(*If formerly employed by agencies in addition to above, list under item 7*)

6. PERSONNEL FOLDER ACTION (*Check appropriate box*)

- [ ] a. CURRENTLY EMPLOYED. REQUEST TRANSMISSION OF FOLDER COVERING PREVIOUS FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT FOR PERMANENT RETENTION
- [ ] b. REQUEST TRANSMISSION OF FOLDER FOR TEMPORARY USE
- [x] c. CONSOLIDATE ATTACHED PAPERS WITH OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED

7. REMARKS

SECTION II—FOR USE BY FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, ST. LOUIS, MO.

8.
- [ ] a. CONSOLIDATE ATTACHED PAPERS WITH FOLDER PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED
- [ ] b. FOLDER ENCLOSED
- [ ] c. FOLDER NOT LOCATED
- [ ] d. FLAGGED, FOLDER TO BE FORWARDED WHEN LOCATED
- [ ] e. FOLDER PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED IS ENCLOSED
- [ ] f. FOLDER FORWARDED ON A LOAN BASIS IN LIEU OF INFORMATION REQUESTED. IF EMPLOYEE IS REHIRED, FOLDER SHOULD BE RETAINED BY YOUR AGENCY

9. REMARKS

NOTE.—Original will be used as charge-out by Federal Records Center. Duplicate will be returned as transmittal sheet when appropriate.

TO: Chief, Civilian Personnel Division
ADDRESS: U.S. Coast Guard
1300- E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Requesting agency will type name and address of office submitting request in address box. To be used to mail folder or reply.

ATTN:

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—66097-1

File 3-2

PS
26 February 1957
P6-2/L16-4

Mrs. Annie Gladys Currie
3512 Avenue E
Key West, Florida

My dear Mrs. Currie:

Your claim for the final retired pay due the estate of your father, William Henry PIERCE, Keeper, Former Lighthouse Service, Now United States Coast Guard, Retired, has been sent by this office to the General Accounting Office for settlement.

In the event there is undue delay in the settlement of this claim, it is suggested you contact the Claims Division, General Accounting Office, Washington, 25, D. C.

Very truly yours,

R. R. CURRY
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Chief, Special Services Division
By direction of the Commandant

Encl:
(1) Form W-2

2-26-57

:jnk, rm 2111, sta 2-4

PS
26 February 1957
P6-2/L16-4

General Accounting Office
Claims Division
Washington 25, D. C.

Sirs:

There is forwarded herewith for your consideration the claim of Annie Gladys Currie for the final retired pay due the estate of William Henry PIERCE, Keeper, former Lighthouse Service, now United States Coast Guard, Retired, deceased.

This claim for the proceeds of Treasury of U. S. Check in the amount of $182.00 dated 30 November 1956, has been examined and is approved for payment.

Attached to the claim is a copy of the Court Order showing the appointment of Annie Gladys Currie as Executor of the estate of William Henry PIERCE.

Statement of pay account in the case of William Henry Pierce and Treasury of U. S. Check $182.00 is forwarded for use in connection with the settlement of the claim for final retired pay.

It is requested that receipt of the check be acknowledged by endorsing and returning the carbon copy of this letter

Very truly yours,

R. R. CURRY
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Chief, Special Services Division
By direction of the Commandant

Encl:
(1) Form 2661
(2) Form 1055
(3) Check No. 104 224
(4) Statement of pay account
(5) Court Order

J-26-57

MJM:jnk, rm 211, sta 2-4

File 3-2



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
(DADE COUNTY HEALTH UNIT)
1200 S W 1st STREET
MIAMI 35, FLORIDA
TELEPHONE 9-1821

T. E. CATO, M. D., M. P. H
HEALTH COMMISSIONER

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
FLORIDA

STATE FILE NO.
BIRTH NO.
REGISTRAR'S NO. 6675

PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY: Dade
CODE NO. 23-31
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION: Hialeah
c. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (If not in hospital, give street address): Parker Rest Home 546 E. 25th St.
e. LENGTH OF STAY IN 1b: 6 mos.

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: Residence before admission)
a. STATE: Florida
b. COUNTY: Monroe
c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION: Key West
d. STREET ADDRESS: 622 Ashe Street
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐
ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) First	Middle	Last	4. DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year
William		Pierce	Nov. 30, 1956.

5. SEX	6. COLOR OR RACE	7. MARRIED ☐ NEVER MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☒ DIVORCED ☐	8. DATE OF BIRTH	9. AGE (In years last birthday)	IF UNDER 1 YEAR Months / Days	IF UNDER 24 HRS. Hours / Min.
Male	White		Feb. 19, 1866	90		

10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired)	10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY	11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country)	12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY?
Light house keeper	U.S. Goverment	Bahama Islands	U.S.A.

13. FATHER'S NAME	14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Hezikah Pierce	Unknown

15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown)	If yes, give war or dates of service	16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.	17. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE
No	No	None	Inf. Rec by Donald L Metz Phone from Prichard Funeral Home K. W. Fla.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).]
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a): Generalized Arteriosclerosis
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.
DUE TO (b): Senility
DUE TO (c):
INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I(a)

19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☐ NO ☒

20a. (Probably) ACCIDENT ☐	SUICIDE ☐	HOMICIDE ☐	20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)
20c. TIME OF INJURY Hour a. m. p. m.	Month, Day, Year		4500 - 30

20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐	20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e. g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)	20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION	COUNTY	STATE

21. I attended the deceased from Oct. 29, 1956 to Nov. 30, 1956 and last saw him alive on 10/29/56
Death occurred at 9:10 a. m. on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.

22a. SIGNATURE (Degree or title)	22b. ADDRESS	22c. DATE SIGNED
Jon S Emmons Asst	760 E 4 Ave	11/30/56

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify)	23b. DATE	23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY	23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State)
Removal	11/30/56		Key West Monroe Fla.

24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE AND ADDRESS	25. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG.	26. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE
Carl E. Slade Funeral Home Hialeah	11-30-56	T E Cato MD

THIS IS A TRUE PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF THE LOCAL REGISTRARS RECORD OF DEATH.

S E A L

This record VOID unless the seal of the Deputy-Registrar appears thereon.

Ethel Shuchat
DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY-REGISTRAR, DIST. #23
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
FLORIDA STATUTES

DREW'S FORM P. 404

Manufactured and for sale by The H. & W. B. Drew
Jacksonville, Florida

In Court of County Judge,

MONROE **County,**

State of Florida.

Estate of

WILLIAM HENRY PIERCE, also known as William H. Pierce and William Pierce.

To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greetings:

Whereas, William Henry Pierce, a/k/a William H. Pierce and William Pierce, deceased, *late of* Monroe *County, Florida, died intestate, having while* he *lived and at the time of* his *death an estate consisting of various assets located in the State of Florida; and,*

Whereas, *I, the undersigned County Judge, appointed* Annie Gladys Currie *as administratrix of the estate of said deceased on the* 15th *day of* February, 1957

Now, Therefore, *I,* Raymond R. Lord, *County Judge in and for the County aforesaid, desiring that the estate of said deceased may be well and truly administered according to law, do hereby grant unto* Annie Gladys Currie *as administratrix of the estate of said deceased full power to administer the assets of said estate; to ask, demand, sue for, recover and receive the same, and to pay the debts of said estate as far as the assets will extend and otherwise administer the estate according to law, as said administratrix has given bond and security and taken oath and performed all necessary acts required by law and by the orders of this Court, to qualify* her *as administratrix of said estate, letters of administration are therefore issued to* her *as an evidence of* her *authority under the laws of the State of Florida and the orders of this Court to act as administratrix of the estate of said deceased.*

In Testimony Whereof, *the undersigned County Judge has hereunto signed his name and affixed his seal of office this* 15th *day of* February, 1957, *at* Key West, *Florida.*

(SEAL)

(sd) Raymond R. Lord

County Judge.

File 3-2

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
U. S. COAST GUARD
CGHQ-9838 (Rev. 6-54)

STATEMENT OF PAY ACCOUNT OF RETIRED PERSONNEL *(Deceased)*

NAME	SERVICE NO.	GRADE OR RATE	YEARS OF SERVICE
PIERCE, William H.	677	Keeper, FLHS	
PAY COMPUTED FROM *(Date)*	**PAY COMPUTED TO *(Through date of death)***		**PAY GRADE**
	Died 30 November 1956		

CREDITS		CHARGES	
PAY EARNED	$ 00	ALLOTMENTS	$
ADJUSTMENTS-	$	FEDERAL TAX WITHHELD AND DISPOSED OF	$
TOTAL	$ 00	ADJUSTMENTS	$
BALANCE DUE / OVERPAID	AMOUNT DUE OR OVERPAID	TOTAL	$

REMARKS Died 30 November 1956. Check No. 104,224 dated 30 November 1956 in the amount of $182.00 wasreturned and forwarded to GAO for final disposition.

ACCOUNT AS STATED ON RETIREMENT PAY ROLL, RETIRED OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD:

ACCOUNT FOR *(Month and year)*	VOUCHER NO.	SETTLED IN *(Month and year)*
November 1956	1329	November 1956

ACCOUNT OF	SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING CERTIFYING OFFICER
J. F. CANNON, CDO, SN 5100	C. C. GORDON

6085 Treasury CGHQ Wash., D.C.

NGG 2661A
Form approved by
Comptroller General U. S.
(April 13, 1934)

DATA SUPPORTING CLAIM FOR PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF PERSONNEL

(MEMORANDUM)

U. S. COAST GUARD

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

Appropriation: 2070241, Retired Pay, Coast Guard, 1957

Unit Headquarters Retired Roll-Lighthouse

THE UNITED STATES, *Dr.*,

To PEIRCE, William H. Keeper, FLHS, Retired, deceased Retired
(Name)

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

(Address)

Total years of service

Pay period, duty, or grade xxxxxxxxx

Monthly rate of pay $183.00 (Base and longevity)

For pay and allowances—

From , 1956, *to* , 1956 (Inclusive)

CREDITS:		NOTATIONS
Subsistence allowance $		
Rental or quarters allowance		
Pay	00	
Balance forwarded from (Name of unit, noting month of roll or voucher)		
Sundry credits and adjustments		
TOTAL CREDITS $	00	

CHARGES:		
Allotment $		
Clothing		
Forfeited		
Sundry charges and adjustments		
TOTAL CHARGES $	None	

		NOTATIONS
Total Credits $	00	
Less—Total Charges, $		
Amt. retained		
TOTAL $		
Net amount to be paid on this voucher $	00	

REMARKS: Died 30 November 1956. Last paid for the period 1-30 November 1956 on D. O. Vou. No. 1329, settled in the November 1956 accounts of J. S. Cannon, CDO SN 5100. Check No. 104,224, dated 30 November 1956 was returned and forwarded to GAO for final disposition.

(Additional statements by Department if deemed necessary)

(ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION)

99-72
999000-1234

(Payee will NOT use this space)

Differences

Account verified: correct for $ 00

(Signature or initials) J. Jones

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)

_____, 19____ (MEMORANDUM—DO NOT SIGN) _____ (Name), _____ (Official designation)
(Date)

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 $ 00

Date 7 January 1957, 19____

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

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—29061-1

STANDARD FORM 127
APRIL 1952
PRESCRIBED BY GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
REG. 3-IV-302

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER
(SEPARATED EMPLOYEE)

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Pierce, William H.		2-19-1866

5. FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYING OFFICE (*Agency, bureau or equivalent, address, and dates of employment*)

Lighthouse Service
Miami, Florida
Retired 3-1-36

(*If formerly employed by agencies in addition to above, list under item 7*)

6. PERSONNEL FOLDER ACTION (*Check appropriate box*)

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7. REMARKS

This Official Personnel Folder was Sent from the National Archives, Washington, D. C. Record Group 26 or 56 (Two folders Department of Commerce or Treasury and Bureau of Lighthouses)

SECTION II—FOR USE BY FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, ST. LOUIS, MO.

8.

- [ ] a. CONSOLIDATE ATTACHED PAPERS WITH FOLDER PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED
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- [ ] d. FLAGGED, FOLDER TO BE FORWARDED WHEN LOCATED
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9. REMARKS

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Treas.

TO:
ADDRESS: Chief, Civilian Personnel Division
U. S. Coast Guard
1300 E Street N. W.
ATTN: Washington 25, D. C.

Requesting agency will type name and address of office submitting request in address box. To be used to mail folder or reply.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—66697-1

PS-1
9 January 1957
P6-2

Mr. William S. Pierce
4231 Hillwood Terrace, N. E.
Atlanta 19, Georgia

My dear Mr. Pierce:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated 17 December 1956 advising us of the death of your father, William Henry Pierce, Keeper, former Lighthouse Service, now United States Coast Guard, Retired.

It is requested that a certified copy of the certificate of death be forwarded to Commandant (PS) for our records.

Treasurer of the United States Check No. 104 224 dated 30 November 1956 should be returned to Commandant (PS) for settlement.

The forms necessary to effect settlement of the proceeds of this check are enclosed. If a legal representative is appointed to administer the estate of your father, the person appointed should complete the enclosed Forms No. 1055, claim for the final pay and attach thereto a copy of the court order as evidence of the appointment. If a legal representative is not appointed, the next of kin, or the person who paid or will pay the funeral expenses, should execute the enclosed Forms No. 1055, in the presence of two witnesses, taking care to answer all questions as checked. If the funeral expenses have been paid, a bill receipted by the undertaker should be forwarded, otherwise, the undertaker should sign the enclosed waiver form. This information is required to support the claim for the proceeds of Treasurer of the United States Check No. 104 224.

When the enclosed forms have been completed, return them to Commandant (PS) in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Very truly yours,

R. R. CURRY
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Chief, Special Services Division
By direction of the Commandant

Encl:
(1) Forms No. 1055
(2) Waiver
(3) Envelope

MJM:rar return to room 2111, sta 204

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
U. S. COAST GUARD
CGHQ-9964 (Rev. 3-55)

REPORT OF DEATH

OF PERSONS OTHER THAN THOSE CARRIED AS MISSING

To: Chief, Payment and Claims Division.

DATE December 21 1956

NAME	SERVICE NO.	GRADE OR RATING
William H. Pierce	None FIHS	Keeper, Retired
DATE OF RECEIPT OF EVIDENCE OF DEATH	ESTABLISHED DATE OF DEATH	
December 21, 1956	30 November 1956	

Information concerning death of the above-listed person has been received reporting established date of death as herein set forth.

R. R. CURRY, Captain USCG
Chief, Special Services Division

MJM:dja return to room 2111 sta 2-4

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

STANDARD FORM 50 (9 PART)
UNITED STATES
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
OCTOBER 1946

FORM APPROVED.
BUDGET BUREAU NO. 50-R064.

NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR.—MISS—MRS.—FIRST—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST)	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION NO.	4. DATE
Pierce, William H. (Mr.)	2-19-66	18	8-18-48

This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:

5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY)	6. EFFECTIVE DATE	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY
AMENDMENT Retirement (Age)	Close 2-29-36	

FROM		TO
Keeper	8. POSITION TITLE	
$1800 per annum) Plus $60 pa Qtrs	9. SERVICE, GRADE, SALARY	
U. S. Const Guard	10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS	
Miami, Fla. Sombrero Key Lt.Sta., Fla.	11. HEADQUARTERS	
[X] FIELD [ ] DEPARTMENTAL	12. FIELD OR DEPT'L	[ ] FIELD [ ] DEPARTMENTAL

13. REMARKS

In accordance with the Comptroller General's Decision B-70029 dated 10-23-47, which reversed Decision A-31584 of 5-28-30, your retirement pay has been recomputed on the basis of the average gross pay (which includes the valuation of quarters for the period occupied) received during the last five years of your active duty. The computation on this basis changes the rate of your retirement pay from $1332.00 to $1352.54, and this notice is issued in order that you may have accurate information as to the rate of retirement pay which you are authorized to receive.

Total Service: 29 years, 7 months, 7 days

Computations: ($1827.60 x 29.6027 ÷ 40) = $1352.54

H. L. MORGAN
Chief, Civilian Personnel Division
14. SIGNATURE OR OTHER AUTHENTICATION

15. VETERAN'S PREFERENCE								16. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION			
NONE	5 PT.	10 POINT			WWII	WWI	OTHER	NEW	VICE	I. A.	REAL.
		DISAB.	WIFE	WIDOW							
X											

17. SEX	18. RACE	19. APPROPRIATION	20. SUBJECT TO C.S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES—NO)	21. DATE OF OATH (ACCESSIONS ONLY)	22. LEGAL RESIDENCE
M		FROM: TO: Sal., Kprs. of Lhs, CG	XXX LH 6-30-18		Fla.

☆ U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1947 — 765669

4. PERSONNEL FOLDER COPY

Sam 6/M

AUG 19 1948

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

William H. Pierce (Name) Fla (Legal)

STATUS

11—8940

DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	BUREAU—SERVICE—STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
2nd Asst Kpr.	Prob.	$480 pa	L.H. American Shoal L.S. Fla	Feb 16/07
1st " "	Ln & from	600	" Sombrero Key " "	July 1/10
" " "	From.	660	" " " " "	Jan 1/16
Keeper	Ln & from	744	" Rebecca Shoal " "	Nov 10/17
"	Increase	1020	" " " " "	Nov 1/18
"	Trans.	1080	" American Shoal " "	July 1/19
"	"	"	" Sombrero Key " "	Oct 1/19
"	Read. Pay	1320	" " " " "	July 1/24
"	"	1560	" " " " "	Feb 1/25
"	Incr. Comp.	1620	" " " " "	July 1/25
" INCREASE IN COMPENSATION		1680	" " " " "	JAN 1 1927
"	COMPENSATION Act. May 28, 1928.	1740	" " " " "	JUL 1 1928
"	COMPENSATION Act. July 3, 1930	1800	" " " " "	JUL 3 1930
	Retired Mar. 1/1936. (age)	$1332.00 pa		

February 25, 1936.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act approved June 20, 1918, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, the Department has retired you from active duty in the Lighthouse Service (Seventh District), with retired pay at the rate of $1332 per annum, effective beginning March 1, 1936.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER

FEB 25 1936

Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
ENTERED ON JOURNAL
FEB 28 1936
SHEET NO. 496
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

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February 25,, 1936.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Dear Mr. Pierce:

The Department is notifying you, by separate letter, of your retirement from the Lighthouse Service, effective March 1, 1936, on account of Age.

For myself personally, and for the Department, I extend sincere thanks for your satisfactory services. I have noted from the Department's records that you entered the Service in February, 1907, and served continuously for over twenty-nine years. Your long and splendid record should be a source of continuous comfort to you, and I entertain the hope that you may long enjoy the leisure which you have so well earned.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL C. ROPER

Secretary of Commerce.

FEB 25 1936

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 William H. Pierce Date of birth February 19, 1866

Designation Keeper

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							
Navy	Sept.	1	1902	Apr.	4	1903	
Keeper	Feb.	16	1907	Feb.	~~17~~ 18	1936	
Total service	7	~~7~~ 6	29				

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:

Amended to include qtrs. as result Comp. Gen. Dec. B-70029 dated 10-23-47.

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			Number Days in Pay Status (P. D. or P. H. personnel)	Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year			
Pay	Feb.	19	1931	Feb.	18	1936	5 yrs.	total	9000.00
Quarters	Nov.	1	1933	"	"	"	2Y3M18D	60.00	137.99
									9137.99

Total compensation for last five years of active service $9137.99

Average compensation for last five years of active service $1827.60

Annual rate of retired pay ($1827.60 × years 29.6027 (Not exceeding 30) ÷ 40) = $1352.54

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16—85893-1

Form 9

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FEB - 3 1936
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

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

1936 FEB - 3 AM 10:1 1936 JAN 31 AM 8:35

Date January 29, 1936

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FEB - 7 1936
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

Seventh District

Key West, Fla.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective March 1, 1936, on the basis of service shown hereon.

Army ... R.T. ... 1
7 years 5 days
21 years Service

William A Pierce
(Name)

Keeper
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Key West, Florida. *Date* January 29, 1936

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $1,332.00 per annum, effective at the close of February 29, 1936

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.

W. W. Emmerich
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*, February 1, 1936

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval, in accordance with the Act of June 20, 1918, providing for retirement in the Lighthouse Service.

NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
FEB 10 1936

W. P. Harman
Acting *Commissioner of Lighthouses.*

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

11—10551

Action O.K.
Chief Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 3, 1930.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Brookhart Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 3, 1930.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 9 1930 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

From:
1740.
To:
1800.

7th Keeper.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

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: $1680

To: $1740

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Form A-38

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

January 1, 1927.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

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: $1620 per annum.

To: $1680 per annum.

Service and grade: Field.

Appropriation (unit);

APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY 1/1/27

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APPOINTMENT ENTERED JAN 13 1927 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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. GARDNER.
Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper. ✓

Salary: $1560.

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

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7th

APPT. DIVISION
DEPT. OF COMMERCE
FEB 5 - 1925

CANCELED

CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Pierce, Hm. H. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU [illegible] STATION 7th Dist.

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

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances Items	Value	Aggregate	As Classified for estimate purposes Service	Grade	Pay	Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Subtracted
1080	240	1320	CR	164.25	1484.25	LHS	6	1500	yes	60	

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

approved $1500

GRADE RECOMMENDED 7

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1500 TO $1740

Light; Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum

Sixty-five cents per day, 365 days = $164.25 per annum

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, $ 10.00

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) Scaling, cleaning, and painting iron light station	33
(2) Cleaning illuminating apparatus and quarters, preparing meals, and making minor repairs	20
(3) Night watches	44
(4) Receiving and checking supplies, preparing reports, and writing station journal	03

FORM NO. 1
(with detailed ... No. 2)

Sheet No. 10

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DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE			
	a		
	b		
	c		
	d		

(Surname) [redacted] (Given name) William (Initial) H.

Department Commerce.

3. Bureau Lighthouses.

4. Field Service Lighthouses.

5. (a) Field Station 7th Lighthouse District.

(b) Subdivision Sombrero Key Light Station.

(c) City or town Key West. State Florida.

6. Pay-roll title Keeper.

7. Customary office title Keeper

(Nominally on duty 24 hours per day)

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 14 hours; per week 7 days

(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 6 p.m. or 12 midnight m. to 12 midnight or 6 a. 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 $ 1000.00 per annum; bonus, $ 240.00 per annum.

12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $ 1000.00 per annum; bonus, $ 240.00 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, 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 Forty-five cents per day, 365 days = $164.25 w rations

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, $ 10.00

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) Scaling, cleaning, and painting iron light station	33
(2) Cleaning illuminating apparatus and quarters, preparing meals, and making minor repairs	20
(3) Night watches	44
(4) Receiving and checking supplies, preparing reports, and writing station journal	03

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

No immediate supervision possible or necessary. If light is extinguished the fact is promptly reported by mariners. The station is inspected by the Superintendent or his representative periodically for condition, cleanliness, fitness of keepers, etc.

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.

The keeper, in addition to performing part of the work himself, also supervises and directs the work of cleaning, painting, and making minor repairs to station and equipment by two assistant keepers.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? 5-1/2 years.

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

MAY 21, 1923. (Date)

Wm. W. Rimerick (Signature of Preparing Officer) Superintendent of Lighthouses

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

(Inaccessible)

(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 Boating at least one year.

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 $ 1320.00 to $ 1680.00

MAY 21, 1923. (Date)

Wm. W. Rimerick (Signature of head of field office or station) Superintendent of Lighthouses

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 2—12758

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1925.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $1560 per annum to $1620 per annum, effective July 1, 1925.

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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CARDED

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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(CROSS REFERENCE)

Pierce, William H. In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $ 1320, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 14 1924 File No. 1095/21.

Form 73a
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REPORT OF TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

CHIEF CLERK

1921 JUN 6 PM 2 37

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES. 7th DISTRICT.

Key West, Fla. May 31, 1921. 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following-named employee was transferred as indicated, and entered upon duty at his new station on October 1, 1919.

Name, William H. Pierce Position, Keeper

From American Shoal Lightstation Fla To Sombrero Key Lightstation Fla

Previous incumbent, (Miguel Fabal.) Richard C. Roberts Trans to American Shoal Lightstation vice W. H. Pierce. APPOINTMENT

Services terminated, (September 30, 1919.) Reason, (Retired.)

1921 JUN 6 PM 4 13

CARDED JUN 7 1921 IN JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

W. W. Kimeralt

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Key West, Fla., May 31, 1921. , 191

The above-referred-to transfer became effective beginning with October 1, 1919.

W. W. Kimeralt

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

6/7/21.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON June 3, 1921.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information. Attention being invited to Department letter of May 25, 1921 relative to above transfer.

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner

May 25, 1921.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department invites attention to the fact that no report appears to have been received covering the transfer of William H. Pierce from American Shoal Light Station, form 73a dated October 2, 1919 having been received indicating that Richard C. Roberts was transferred on October 1, 1919 to the position vacated by Mr. Pierce.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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(Cross Reference)

February 24, 1920, Lighthouses reports the following-named employees of the 7th District and efective date of E.O.D.:

Kelly, Thomas L.	Keeper	$1020 per	Transfer	10/1/19
Kelly, Thomas L.	"	$1080	transfer	11/1/19
Lopez, Clifton H.	"	$1140	Transfer	7/1/19
Pierce, William H.	"	$1080	Promotion	8/1/19
Roberts, Carlton	"	$ 760	Transfer	7/1/19
Roberts, Joseph P.	"	$1020	Promotion	11/1/19
Roberts, Richard C.	"	$1020	Transfer	7/1/19
Roberts, Richard C.	"	$1080	Transfer	10/1/19
Sands, David	"	$ 840	Promotion	7/1/19

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 24, 1919.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1020. per annum to $ 1080. per annum, effective July 1, 1919, or as soon thereafter as you enter upon duty at the increased rate of pay (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,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUN 24 1919 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

C. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Form 73

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 7th DISTRICT,

Key West, Fla., June 16, 1919.
(City.)

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CHIEF OF LIGHT HOUSES
JUN 19 1919

1919 JUN 20 PM 12 06

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and promotion.

Name, **William H. Pierce.**

Legal residence, **Florida.**

Position, **Keeper.**

Salary, **$1080. A.**

Location, **American Shoal L. S.** Fla.

Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lt-Houses.**

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

APPOINTMENTS

Former position, Keeper.

Former salary, **$1020. A.**

Location, **Rebecca Shoal L. S.** Fla.

1919 JUN 20 PM 2 03

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

Previous incumbent, Clifton H. Lopez. Services terminated, **June 30, 1919.**

Reason, **Transfer and promotion to Keeper Key West Lighthouse Depot.**

Members of family in Government Service, Brother, L. H. Service.

Remarks:

CAS. 6/21/19.

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

W. W. Bennett

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

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUN 19 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

1919 JUN 20 AM 10 42

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
ACTION TAKEN
JUN 23 1919
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

H. B. Bowerman

Acting Commissioner

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

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS -- LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 14, 1918.

Mr. William H. Pierce,
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Sir: Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $744 per annum to $1020 per annum, effective November 1, 1918. (The above rate of pay includes longevity pay of $60.)

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.

ON BASIS OF THIS ACTION BY
T. R. DATED 10-28-18
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RECEIVED
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS.
8—4789-2

MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

LIGHT HOUSES
NOV 10 1916

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

1. Name: (Surname first. Given name in full. For women write Miss or Mrs. before given name.)

Pierce, William Henry

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

Lighthouse, 7th District.

4. Designation of position:

1st Asst.Keeper, L.H.S.

5. Occupation (if not clearly shown by answer to question 4):

See "4"

6. Annual earnings:

$630.

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS.

8. Present rate of pay:

$660 PA.

9. Initial rate of pay:

$480 PA.

10. Total length of service (give the total of ALL U. S. GOVT. SERVICE with the exceptions stated on the back of this card)—

~~Substitute~~ Years: 9 ~~Months:~~

~~Regular~~ Years: 4-15/30 Months:

11. State, Territory, or foreign country of birth (do not give town):

Bahamas.

12. Race:

W.

13. Sex:

M.

14. Date of birth—

Month: Feb. ~~18~~ 19

Year: 1866.

15. Kinds of schools attended, years attended, and degrees taken:

E9.

16. Marital condition:

M

17. War veteran?

No.

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State: 4 Florida

County: Monroe

19. Civil service status:

C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:

CE

21. Place of employment—

City: Sombrero Key L.S.,

State: Fla.

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

11—5809

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

LIGHT NOV 17 1917 HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK NOV 20 1917

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, William H. Pierce,

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.

William H. Pierce
(Appointee signs here)

APPOINTED NOV 20 1917

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 12th day of November, A. D. 1917.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) P. L. Cosgrove Jr.

(Official title) Master L. H. S.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present Keeper.	$744. A.	Rebecca Shoal Lightstation.
Former[5] 1st Asst. Keeper.	$660. A.	Sombrero Key Lightstation.

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 7th District

Key West, Fla. (Address), November 12, 1917. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on November 10, 1917. (Date)

CARDED

W. W. Bennett
(Signature, followed by title)
Lighthouse Inspector 7th D.

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

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

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

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

[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.

11—944

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 6, 1917.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Seven Hundred and Forty-four dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from first assistant keeper at $660 per annum.)

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 6 1917 OFFICIAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

CARDED

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Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Clifton H. Lopez.

Legal Residence: Florida.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT NOV 5 1917 HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 7th. DISTRICT,

Key West, Florida. (City.) October 31, 1917. (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer & Promotion.

Name, **William H. Pierce,** Legal residence, **Florida.**

Position, **Keeper.** Salary, **$744. A.**

Location, **Rebecca Shoal Lightstation.** Fla. Appropriation, **Sals.Kprs.of Lighthouses**

Effective **November 10, 1917.** {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, First Assistant Keeper Former salary, **$660. A.**

Location, **Sombrero Key Lightstation.** Fla.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN NOV 6 1917

Previous incumbent, Clifton H. Lopez Services terminated, **October 31, 1917.**

Reason, **Transfer and promotion to Keeper American Shoal Lightstation.**

Members of family in Government Service, One brother, First Assistant Keeper Sand Key Lightstation.

Remarks:

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

Secretary, Civil Service District. **Lighthouse Inspector.**

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. NOV 5 1917

Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

Form 111

LHP.

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT JAN 22 1916 HOUSES

APPOINTMENTS JAN 26 1916

CHIEF CLERK JAN 26 1916

I, William H. Pierce.

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.

William H Pierce
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 19th day of January, A. D. 1916.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) H B Haskins

(Official title) Clerk L.H. Service

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 1st Asst. Keeper.	$660. A.	Sombrero Key Lightstation.
Former [5] do	$600. A.	do

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 7TH District

Key West, Fla (Address), January 19, 1916. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on January 1, 1916. (Date)

CARDED:

W. W. Emerett
(Signature, followed by title)
Inspector 7th L. H. District.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 30, 1915.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

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, First Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Six Hundred and Sixty dollars per annum, effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $600 per annum.)

CARDED.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 30 1915 ON ROLLS

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Florida.

ORIANCE REPORTED JAN 1916

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LHP.

CHIEF CLERK DEC 23 1915

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

Key West, Fla. (City.), December 21, 1915. (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, increase in salary.

Name, William H. Pierce. Legal residence, Florida.

APPOINTMENTS DEC 23 1915 10

Position, 1st. Asst. Keeper. Salary, $660.00.

DEC 30

Location, Sombrero Key L. S. Fla Appropriation, Salaries, L.H.Keepers.

Effective January 1, 1916. { ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 1st Asst. Keeper. Former salary, $600.00.

Location, Sombrero Key L. S. Fla

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

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

D. L. DEC 16 1915.

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Above recommendation made in accordance with Bureau's instructions of December 17, 1915.

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

Secretary, Civil Service District. **Inspector.**

12.15 12.29

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

DEC 28 1915

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

S Conway
Acting Commissioner

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

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

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EFFICIENCY REPORT

MAY 10 1911

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name Pierce, William H., 2. Age 45 yrs. (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Lighthouse. 4. Position 1st Assistant Keeper.

5. Compensation $600. p.a. 6. Where employed Sombrero Key L.S., Fla.

7. When appointed (*a*) Feb.16,1907. 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil-Service Examination.

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive.

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No. If so, state the amount.—

12. Other Government service None.

13. Duties (describe fully) In charge of station in absence of Keeper, tends light, keeps station in order, and cooks alternately with Keeper and 2nd Assistant.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No. If so, state them ----

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	90	2	1 80
Quality of work	85	3	2 55
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	85	3	2 55
Attendance		[redacted]	
Total		8 [redacted]	6 90
Average percentage			86

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16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) Manifests interest in his work, to the extent of work overtime when necessary.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) His salary is a fair equivalent for the service rendered.

If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be. ----

19. Is this employee superannuated? No. If so, what percentage of salary is unearned? ----

20. Remarks: (e) No.

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

[signature]
Supt., 7th L.H.District.

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

[signature]
Commander, U.S.N., Retd.
Inspector 7th [redacted] H. Dist.

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[signature]
Chief of Bureau or Office.

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Enclosure.

Bureau Light Houses
JUL 8 1910
NO. 388

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

JUL 1 1910

I, William H. Pierce

do solemnly [a] 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.

William H Pierce
(Appointee signs here.)

[b] Sworn to (See below.) and subscribed before me, this 1 day of July, A. D. ~~190~~ 1910

(Affix official seal here.)

[c] (Name:) H. G. Brooks

(Official title:) Notary Public

OFFICIAL TITLE.	PAY.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which last appointed.
First Assist. Keeper	600.-	Sombrero Key L. S.	Bahama Islds	Florida.

(The above should be filled in by the district officer.)

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR 7TH LIGHT-HOUSE DISTRICT,

KEY WEST, FLA. (Address.), July 5, 1910. (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on July 1, 1910. (Date.)

(Signed:) [signature] COMDR. U.S.N.
INSPECTOR 7TH L.H. DISTRICT

CARDED.

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

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be taken any time prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

A letter of transmittal (use Form 95) should accompany Oath, stating the **exact** date of the entrance on duty of the appointee and the above blank also filled out and properly signed by the district officer.

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

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Rec'd JUL 15 1910

RECEIVED JUL 11 1910

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
Washington

10398

June 8, 1910.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

First Assistant Keeper of Sombrero Key Light-Station, Florida,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Six Hundred dollars per annum,

effective beginning July 1, 1910, or as soon thereafter

as you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(vice William H. Curry.)

(By transfer from Second Assistant Keeper of American Shoal Light-Station, Florida, at $480 per annum.)

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
REPORTED
JUN 9 - 1910
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED.

A. N. Galbraith

Chief Clerk.

Mr. William H. Pierce.

Through the Light-House Board.

CHANGE REPORTED
JUL 1910
U. S. COMMISSION.

Appropriation:

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Form 28 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER EMPLOYEE

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED JUN 8 1910 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

Office of the INSPECTOR 7TH L. H. Dist.,

KEY WEST, FLA.

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

May 25, 1910.
(Date)

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) transfer and promotion
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) William H. Pierce of (3) Florida
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)
from (4) Second Assistant Keeper
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) American Shoal Light-Station, Florida,
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $ 480. p.a. to (7) First Assistant Keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Sombrero Key Light-Station, Florida, at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $ 600. p.a., effective beginning (10) July 1, 1910. ~~(the date of his entrance on duty)~~ (or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty)
(Salary recommended) (Strike out the clause not appropriate)
in the place of (11) William H. Curry
(State name of *last* person holding position)
who (12) is recommended for trans. & pro. ~~on~~ (13) June 30, 1910.
(Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) (Last day of service)
~~Mr. (14) stands No. (15) in list of eligibles, Class (16), with an average of (17) per cent, and was considered with (18)~~
~~(19) letters of declination of herewith.~~

Respectfully,

W. H. Bennett COMDR. U.S.N.
INSPECTOR 7TH L.H. DISTRICT

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

June 6, 1910., 190

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

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITTEN JUN 1910 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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J. B. Blakeley
Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 8 1909
NO.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

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

1. Bureau Light-House 7th Dist. 2. Where employed American Shoal Fla. L.S.,
3. Name Pierce, William H. 4. Where born Bahamas.
5. Age 43 yrs. 6. Position 2nd Assistant Keeper.
7. Compensation $480. pa. 8. When appointed (a) Feb. 16, 1907.
9. How appointed (b) Through Civil-Service Examination.
10. Appointed from — State Florida. Congressional District 1st. County Monroe.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (c) Classified Competitive.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.
13. Other Government service None.
14. Duties (describe fully) Tends light, keeps station in order, and cooks alternately with Keeper and 1st Assistant.
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (d) 0.9; Quality of work (e) Good.; Interest manifested in work (f) Yes; good interest manifested.
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes.
17. Remarks (g) Nothing not brought out by above questions.

O. R.

CAPTAIN, U. S. N.
NAVAL SECRETARY

Head of Bureau or Office.

JUN 5 - 1909, 19

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

NOTE.—This sheet is to be used only in cases of persons appointed in the Department of Commerce and Labor after June 30, 1903.

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 10, 1904.

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

For the purpose of enabling the Department to obtain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are hereby requested to furnish the information called for by the questions in Part II of this form, relative to each person appointed or employed in your Bureau after June 30, 1903, now serving or hereafter appointed or employed, and to have every such person answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. Officers in charge, subordinate to heads of Bureaus, are expected to review this sheet, after it has been executed, to see that all questions have been answered, and, after doing so, to forward it immediately to the head of the Bureau for transmission to the Department.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED MAR 27 1907 G DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

CARDED

Secretary.

PART I.

(Blanks in Part I are to be filled by the appointee or employee; but, if he is unable to write legibly, another person may write the answers at his dictation. In either case, the statement is to be signed by the appointee or employee. If he is unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness. If he is unable to answer any question, he should indicate that fact.)

1. What is your full name? (Do not use initials, but spell out each name and state whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. Example: Mr. John Richard Doe.)

Mr William Henry Pierce

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? Wm H Pierce

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

Key West (City or town.) — Fla (State or Territory.) — Monroe (County.) — First (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? Bahamas.

6. When were you born? Feb (Month.) 19 (Day.) 1866 (Year.)

7. Are you pensioned by the U. S. Government? (Answer "Yes" or "No.") No.

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8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationship, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed and the positions they occupy.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
No.				

9. If you were appointed through a civil service examination, state, as near as you recollect, the name and date of the examination. If not so appointed, state how you entered the service. (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position and salary, if known.)

Asst- Keeper L.H. Servt Dec 15 1906

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

No.

11. Have you ever held any position in the civil service of the United States prior to the time of your present appointment? (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.

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

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
No.			

13. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time other than during the Civil and Spanish-American Wars, indicate such service in the spaces below.

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
No.			

14. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service for the Government, indicated in your answers to questions 11, 12, and 13.)

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

Publicks School

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

None

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

Asst Keeper L H S. Dec 15/1906.

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

Yes.

19. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled March 11, 1907

Witness:

(Signature) Wm H Pierce

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Caby Key West
City or town.

622 Aska St.
Number and street.

Fla
State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded March 11, 1907

(Signature) J. Hood. Comdr, USN.,

(Official title) Inspector 7th L. H. Service.

PART II.

(Blanks in Part II are to be filled by the executive officers of the various Bureaus of the Department, or, at their direction, by some official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

1. State the Bureau or Service, place and district in which the person who answered the above questions is employed.

Light-House (Bureau or Service.) | American Shoal L.S. (Place (city, town, or station).) | 7th (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? 2nd asst. Keeper.

3. State the date of appointment. Feb. 16 '07.

4. State the date the appointee or employee entered on duty. Febry 16 '07.

5. What is his salary? $480 per annum

6. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries of Keepers of Light-Houses

7. Is the position excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules? Competitive

8. If classified, state the date of classification. Dec. 15 '06.

9. In what manner did the appointee or employee enter the service? (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" or "by reinstatement;" or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau, or Service, position and salary, if known.)

From asst. Keeper, L. H. Service, examination.

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

(Signature) J. Hood. Comdr, U.S.N.

Date: March 11, 1907 (Official title) Inspector 7th L. H. Service.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
RECEIVED
MAR 27 1907
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, William H. Pierce

do solemnly[a] Swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: **So help me God.**

William H Pierce

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[b] Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11 day of March, A. D. 1907.

[c] Name: Geo. F. Archer

Official title: Notary Public.

{Affix official seal.}

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Second Assistant Keeper	American Shoal L.H.	Bahama Islds.	Florida.

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

[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.

[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

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.

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date May 16, 1907.

CARDED

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
FORWARDED
MAR 27 1907
TO APPOINTMENTS

INDEXED.

E B Johnson
Chief Clerk.

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT—WITHOUT [redacted] DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

10398

February 16, 1907.

Mr. William H. Pierce, of Florida, having qualified under the civil-service regulations, is hereby appointed Second Assistant Keeper of American Shoal Light-Station, Florida, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, for a probationary period of six months, effective beginning February 16, 1907, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty. (Vice Theophilus Sawyer)

Retention in the service after the expiration of probationary period shall be equivalent to absolute appointment.

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is subject to the oath of office being taken.

CARDED

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED FEB 19 1907 CLERK DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

[redacted]

CHANGE [redacted] Assistant Secretary

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U. S. COMMISSION.

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The Light-House Board.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD
Washington

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File No. 10398.

16 Feb'y, '07.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. William H. Pierce of Florida, to the position of Second Assistant Keeper at the American Shoal, Fla., light station, with pay at the rate of $480 a year, to date from 16 Feb'y, '07, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty, in the place of Mr. Theophilus Sawyer, recommended for transfer and promotion.

Mr. Pierce has passed the required Civil Service examination and received a rating of 80 per cent in Class IV.

Respectfully,

H. Sebree

Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

2-18-07

34 on eligible list.

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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Considered with:
Charles W. Elden
Harry Mingo
7th Instr.

INDEXED.

Pierce

PIERCE, WILLIAM H.

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7th

Dept says Personal history sheet shows
date of birth Feb. 19, 1866

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
Washington

~~10398~~

June 8, 1910.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

~~First Assistant Keeper of Sombrero Key Light-Station, Florida,~~

in the ~~Light-House Service,~~

at a salary of ~~Six Hundred~~ dollars per ~~annum~~,

effective beginning ~~July 1, 1910,~~, or as soon thereafter

as you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(vice William H. Curry.)

(By transfer from Second Assistant Keeper of American Shoal Light-Station, Florida, at $480 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) A. H. BALDWIN
Chief Clerk.

Mr. William H. Pierce, of Fla.

Through the Light-House Board.

Appropriation:

Lo July 16, 1910. Cert. com. Dept.

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Wm H. Price

For commendation see letter of June 30, 1913, in file

Chas. H. Williams.

W. H. Price.

For communication see letter of June 26, 1915, in file +30

Chrc. H. Williams.

January 17, 1914.

Inspection of your station during the six months ending December 31, 1913, having shown the same to be in an exceptionally clean, orderly, and efficient condition, the Seventh Inspector takes pleasure in issuing in recognition thereof, and in accordance with the Regulations, this letter of commendation, for general efficiency during the period named.

(Signed) Demeritt
Inspector.

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Sombrero Key: M. Fabal, W. H. Pierce, J. M. Lopez.
Dry Tortugas: ~~C. H. Williams~~, E. F. Russell, H. M. Roberts, T. Sawyer.
Sanibel Island: C. H. Williams, H. L. Shannahan.

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July 10, 1914, 7th Inspr. commended the following keepers and asst.keepers.
See File Chas. G. Johnson.

Hinton D. Johnson
Alex. C. Jenks
Wm. H. Carey
Harry Mingo
Carlton Roberts
Thomas M. Kelly
Jos. P. Roberts
Thomas L. Kelly
Miguel Pabul

WM. H. Pierce

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 8 1909
NO.

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

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

1. Bureau Light-House 7th Dist. 2. Where employed American Shoal L.S., Fla.
3. Name Pierce, William H. 4. Where born Bahamas.
5. Age 43 yrs. 6. Position 2nd Assistant Keeper.
7. Compensation $480. pa. 8. When appointed (*a*) Feb. 16, 1907.
9. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil-Service Examination.
10. Appointed from — State Florida. Congressional District 1st. County Monroe.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.
13. Other Government service None.
14. Duties (describe fully) Tends light, keeps station in order, and cooks alternately with Keeper and 1st Assistant.
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (*d*) 0.9 Quality of work (*e*) Good. Interest manifested in work (*f*) Yes; good interest manifested.
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes.
17. Remarks (*g*) Nothing not brought out by above questions.

Head of Bureau or Office.

JUN 5 - 1909, 19

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

MAY 10 1911

(The parenthetical letters refer to instructions on page 3, which instructions should be read and understood before attempting to fill out the form.)

1. Name Pierce, William H., 2. Age 45 yrs. (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau Lighthouse. 4. Position 1st Assistant Keeper.

5. Compensation $600. p.a. 6. Where employed Sombrero Key L.S., Fla.

7. When appointed (*a*) Feb.16,1907. 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil-Service Examination.

9. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive.

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No.

11. Does the employee receive a pension? No. If so, state the amount

12. Other Government service None.

13. Duties (describe fully) In charge of station in absence of Keeper, tends light, keeps station in order, and cooks alternately with Keeper and 2nd Assistant.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No. If so, state them ----

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	90	2	1 80
Quality of work	85	3	2 55
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	85	3	2 55
Attendance		=2	
Total	8	=10	6 90
Average percentage			86

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16. In the following form state the number of days of annual leave, sick leave, and leave without pay taken in each of the years 1908, 1909, and 1910:

1908.			1909.			1910.		
Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.	Annual.	Sick.	Without pay.

17. Is this employee a purely routine employee, or does he manifest interest, not only in his own work but also in the work of the office or bureau as a whole, to the extent of overtime work or voluntary efforts by suggestion or otherwise to add to its efficiency? (Answer fully.) Manifests interest in his work, to the extent of work overtime when necessary.

18. On the basis of efficiency alone, is this employee overpaid or underpaid as compared with others in your office engaged on the same grade of work, or is his salary a fair equivalent for the service rendered? (Answer fully.) His salary is a fair equivalent for the service rendered. If the present salary is above or below a fair equivalent, state what, in your opinion, it should be. ----

19. Is this employee superannuated? No. If so, what percentage of salary is unearned? ----

20. Remarks: (e) No.

The official who is primarily responsible for the statements herein submitted will sign here—

A B Johnson
Supt., 7th L.H. District.

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

C P Eaton
Commander, U.S.N., Retd.
Inspector 7th L.H. Dist.

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Chief of Bureau or Office.

Form 73

NOMINATION

LHP.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 24 1915

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

Key West, Fla., (City.) December 21, 1915. (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, increase in salary.

Name, Wm. H. Pierce. Legal residence, Florida.

Position, 1st. Asst. Keeper. Salary, $660.00.

Location, Sombrero Key L. S. Appropriation, Salaries, L.H.Keepers.

Effective January 1, 1916. { ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 1st Asst. Keeper. Former salary, $600.00.

Location, Sombrero Key L. S.

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

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Above recommendation made in accordance with Bureau's instructions of December 17, 1915.

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District. **Inspector.**

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

DEC 28 1915

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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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

LIGHT
JAN 3 1916
HOUSES

December 30, 1915.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

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, First Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Six Hundred and Sixty dollars per annum, effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $600 per annum.)

E.W.D. Jan 1, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Florida.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT NOV 5 1917 HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 7th. DISTRICT,

Key West, Florida. (City.) October 31, 1917. (Date.) 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer & Promotion.

Name, **William H. Pierce,**

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

Legal residence, **Florida.**

Position, **Keeper.**

Salary, **$744. A.**

Location, **Rebecca Shoal Lightstation.**

Appropriation, **Sals.Kprs.of Lighthouses**

Effective **November 10, 1917.** [1] ~~The actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, First Assistant Keeper

Former salary, **$660. A.**

Location, **Sombrero Key Lightstation.**

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

Previous incumbent, Clifton H. Lopez Services terminated, **October 31, 1917.**

Reason, **Transfer and promotion to Keeper American Shoal Lightstation.**

Members of family in Government Service, One brother, First Assistant Keeper Sand Key Lightstation.

Remarks:

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

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Wm H Bennett
Lighthouse Inspector.

AB.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

NOV 6 1917

Acting Commissioner

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
NOV 8 1917
RECEIVED

November 6, 1917.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office,

Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Seven Hundred and Forty-four dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from first assistant keeper at $660 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) W. S. GILCHRIST

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Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Clifton H. Lopez.

Legal Residence: Florida.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

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DEPT. OF LT-HS MAY 31 1921 KEY WEST, FLA.

6/3/21. Form 73a for Pierce to Dept.

May 25, 1921.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1921 JUN 3 AM 9

The Department invites attention to the fact that no report appears to have been received covering the transfer of William H. Pierce from American Shoal Light Station, form 73a dated October 2, 1919 having been received indicating that Richard C. Roberts was transferred on October 1, 1919 to the position vacated by Mr. Pierce.

By direction of the Secretary:

~~Hydrog.~~	Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.	Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.	Mar. Engr.
~~Supervising~~	~~Supervising~~
Accounts.	Accounts.
Contracts	Contracts
Chf. Clk.	Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comms.	Dep. Comms.
Comms.	Comms.

C-S

Clifford Harding

Chief of Appointment Division.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

MAY 26 1921

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Key West, Fla.

report

for ~~remark~~ and return.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

cc

PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 14—FIELD QUESTIONNAIRE
(To be filled out in accordance with the instructions given in P. C. B. Forms Nos. 15 and 16)

Bureau No. Lts. 080 *Sheet No.* 7(b)25

Space reserved for the use of the Board

1. Pierce, William H.
(Surname) (Given name) (Initial)

2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field station Sombrero Key Light Station
(b) Subdivision Key West, Fla.
(c) City or town ____ State Florida.

6. Pay roll title Light Keeper
7. Customary office title Keeper
8. Present administrative allocation 1909-1920
9. Present gross rate of pay $ 1740.00
10. Deduction for allowances $ ____
11. Net rate paid in cash $ 1740.00

12. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box or boxes the kind of allowances, if any, received by the employee:
☐ House ☒ Room { ☒ Furnished ☒ Heat ☒ Fuel ☐ Uniform Meals per day: ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
☐ Unfurnished ☒ Light ☐ Laundry ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind }

13. Describe any other allowance, privilege, or perquisite of value ____

14. If any special equipment or a bond is required by law or regulation to be furnished at the employee's expense, state kind and annual cost ____
Uniform, $10.00.

15. (a) Regular hours of work: From 6:00 p.m. to midnight and midnight to 6:00 a.m. (b) How many hours per week excluding unusual or irregular overtime work?
Summer 70 hrs. Winter 70 hrs. (c) If not a full time and all-the-year-round position, state number of hours per day ____;
number of days per { week / month / year } 7
type of such duty While on the station is practically on duty all hours day or night.
(d) If certain hours of availability for duty, outside of regular working hours, are required, state hours and

16. (a) Rate of pay for overtime None (b) Amount of overtime pay in last 12 months None.

17. (a) Does the employee in any way direct or supervise other employees? Yes (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering)
Has charge of regular work; reviews work for accuracy; preserves order and application to work through personal presence; instructs others in details of work according to plans or rules laid down by a superior; plans methods to be followed by subordinates.
(c) How many? 2

18. If the employee supervises other persons through immediate contact, give the name and the sheet numbers of such persons. (For such of these as may not be covered by questionnaires, give number and kinds by occupations.) If the employee exercises supervision through section or division heads, give the title of such sections or divisions and the names and sheet numbers of their heads.

Edward P. Johnson, 1st. Asst. Keeper, 7(b)26, Key West, Fla.
James B. Pinder, 2nd. Asst. Keeper, 7(b)27, Key West, Fla.

19. (a) Is the employee in any way directed, supervised, or instructed, or his work reviewed? Yes (b) If so, in what way? (See Form 16 before answering.)
Follows prescribed plans, programs, or general instructions, but executes details virtually on own responsibility, with only occasional reference to a superior for advice and instruction.

20. What is the name, official position and sheet number of the employee's immediate superior? Wm. W. Demritt, Superintendent of Lighthouses, 7(b)24.

21. Employee's education: Strike an "X" over the number representing the highest grade or year completed in each type of school:

Elementary								High				Normal				College				Postgraduate or professional				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	X 8	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	(Kind)

Other education (describe): ____

22. What length and kind of experience or other training did the employee possess upon original entrance into this position which was most qualifying or pertinent?
Three years as Asst. Keeper in a regular lighthouse.

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Percentage of working time

My position is that of keeper of Sombrero Key Lightstation and my duties are as follow: The most important part is the keeping of the light and maintaining it as an aid to navigation. The light is lighted every night at sundown and the work of preparing or making ready is performed by both keepers. The first step is the hoisting of the oil to the watch room. One keeper, the one who is on watch from sundown makes the preparation for lighting the light and while he is so engaged the other keeper takes down the inside curtains and dusts off the lens and storm panes. It is necessary to

30%

go to the watch room one half hour before time to light up. First it is necessary to prepare the alcohol torch and this is filled, lighted and placed under the vaporizer. This is to heat the vaporizer so that as the oil from the tank below passes through it, it forms vapor which keeps the mantle lighted. The alcohol torch is allowed to burn about 15 minutes which allows time for the vaporizer to become thoroughly heated. Then the torch is removed and the mantle is swung into its place under the vaporizer and there it remains through the night provided it does not burn up or is broken. If it breaks or burns it is necessary to swing it out on the davit and replace it with a new mantle. The characteristic of this light is a group of five flashes every fifteen seconds and this is obtained by a revolving apparatus which is operated by clockwork. Just before sundown this clock-

24. I hereby certify that the foregoing was composed by me after reading P. C. B. Form No. 15, and that it is a true statement of my duties.

William H Pierce
(Signature of Employee)

25. TO THE PREPARING OFFICER: Write your own description of the employee's work. If in describing the work of the position you would cover the same subject matter and use the same language and expressions, indicate your concurrence in the employee's statement and utilize the rest of the space below by giving further and broader information regarding the position, such as the kind and degree of responsibility involved, the ultimate purpose of the work, its place in your organization, its working conditions, etc. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet. See instructions in Form No. 16.

I concur in the above. This is an important seacoast light and upon its proper functioning depends the safety of thousands of persons and property valued at thousands of dollars which pass this section every year. This position is therefore of the greatest importance, and great responsibility is placed upon the Keepers.

26. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Eight Years.

27. I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the statements made by me on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete.

September 20, 1928 (Date) — L. H. Plummer (Signature of Preparing Officer) — Chief Clerk (Title)

28. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked ---------- In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $---------- to $----------

September 20, 1928 (Date) — W. W. Demeritt (Signature of head of field office or station) — Superintendent of Lighthouses. (Title)

29. I hereby certify that I have read all of the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the statements made on both sides of this sheet are accurate and complete, except as indicated in attached memorandum, marked ---------- In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 1620, to $ 1920

SEP 25 1928, 1928 (Date) — H. B. ROWERMAN (Signature of head of bureau or his representative) — SEP 25 1928 (Title)

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work is wound and as the [illegible] From then on [illegible]
begins its function for the night. From then on [illegible]
that the light functions properly throughout the hours of the [illegible]
In this connection it is necessary for the man on watch to remain
in the watch room where close observation and watch may be maintain-
ed. During this time the clockwork is wound every two and one half
hours or three hours and the watcher must be ready for any emergency
that may arise that might extinguish the light or cause it to oper-
ate regularly and remedy the trouble. The mantle often burns or be-
comes broken and must be replaced or some small piece of dirt or car-
bon may become imbedded in the nozzle and if it is not immediately
removed by pricking it with a needle the light will probably go out
and for this reason the strictest watch must be kept at all times.

The duty of keeping the station in proper condition is also that
of the keepers. The station is scaled and painted from the dome to
the water's edge. When this is done the first step is the getting the
paint ready by mixing to the proper colors and then the staging or
scaffolding is rigged underneath the watch room on the structure. With
the scaffolding in this position the outside is painted as far as pos-
sible to reach and then the scaffolding is lowered and another space
is covered and so on down to the roof of the dwelling. Then the out-
side walls of the dwelling and the lower platform is painted, after
25% which the scaffolding is again rigged under the lower platform and
this part of the structure is painted to the water edge, after being
thoroughly scaled as in the case with the upper part of the structure.
It is necessary to be constantly scraping and painting here and there
all over the station in addition to this general painting of the en-
tire outside. The painting of the inside of the station is also perform-
ed by the keepers and this is done in the following manner. The in-
side of the dome, the frame of the lantern on the inside and where-
ver else is necessary is painted after being thoroughly scraped of
scale and rust. The inside of the cylinder through which runs the
stairs to the watch room is scaled and painted as are the quarters of
the keepers whenever necessary. The paint lockers, oil room, meat
locker and toilet on the lower platform are also given this attention.

The keepers do their own cooking. One keeper has kitchen duty one
week and the following week the other one takes it over and so on the
10% change is made every other week. During this week of cooking the duty
of keeping the kitchen clean, the care of the stove and utensils is
also his and this work is done in addition to the regular duties. This
means the scrubbing of the kitchen floor, the woodwork around the sink
and all other work in the kitchen.

A 19 foot motor boat is a part of the equipment of the station
and this boat is used by the keepers in going to and from the station
on their regular leave of absences and for transporting supplies and
provisions. Every quarter the boat is hauled out of the water at the
station and all marine growth is scrubbed off of the bottom. To do
10% this it is necessary to rig staging under the boat after hauling it
up and then after cleaning, the bottom is painted. In the event any
leaks are found they are repaired by caulking or patching. Then the
boat is painted on the top side and on the inside and the engine is
overhauled, cleaned, repaired where necessary and painted. While the

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A small dinghy is also a part
ing and making necessary repairs
keepers.

The brass work of the lens and in the room, consisting of brass posts and all other brass work attached to the revolving apparatus, the lamp and lamp pedastal and the clockwork are thoroughly cleaned and polished once every week. All brass equipment such as carriers, 5% feeders,drip pans,oilers, dust pans and spare 4th order lamp, are also thoroughly cleaned and polished once every week. The brass equipment in the oil room consisting of reservoirs, oil measurers and funnels and syphon are likewise cleaned and polished every week. The clockwork is cleaned and wiped off and new oil placed in it on an average of twice each week.

In addition to the foregoing the following duties are performed whenever the necessity arises. The window panes and storm panes are replaced whenever they are broken, the repairing of water pumps and the piping in connection with the pumps, the washing of clothes, bed ware, towels and lens curtains, the scrubbing of all floors, repair- 10% ing of wooden platforms and all other repairs to the woodwork wherever necessary including wooden water tanks and the cleaning of the tanks. The tools and other equipment used on the station is cleaned, sharpened and repaired and fire extinguishers and kept polished, recharged and ready for use. Boat falls are replaced and it is the duty of the keepers to display hurricane warnings at the station when instructed.

The duty of preparing and submitting an annual property return is also mine. This return is a record of all material, supplies and equipment received at the station and is an inventory of such supplies, which are sent with invoices and then taken up as received. Record of expenditures, condemnation or loss is kept and this is deducted from the amount on hand, the receipts are added and this total represents the amount on hand at the end of the year. The preparation and submission of a monthly report is my duty. This report shows the general condition of the station, the amount of water, kerosene, gasoline and 10% provisions on hand, condition of boats, shows the record of leave of absences for the month and recommendations for needed repairs or work A Journal is also maintained and this gives a daily report of the work performed, and the condition of the weather. A watch book is kept and signed by each keeper going off watch. This shows weather conditions, light conditions and anything that occurs pertaining to the light during the hours of the watch. A record of inspections book and a book record of leave of absences is also kept by me. I prepare and submit a monthly gasoline consumption report and a report of all mantles used during the year.

Form 9

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 William H. Pierce Date of birth February 19, 1866

Designation Keeper

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							
Navy	Sept.	1	1902	Apr.	4	1903	
Keeper	Feb.	16	1907	Feb.	~~17~~ 18	1936	
Total service	7	6	22				

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		
	Feb.	~~18~~ 19	1931	Feb.	~~17~~ 18	1936	$1800	$9,000.00

Total compensation for last five years of active service $9,000.00

Average compensation for last five years of active service $1,800.00

Annual rate of retired pay ($ 1,800.00 × years 22.60 ÷ 40) = $1,332.00
(Not exceeding 30)

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Form 9

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

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

Date January 29, 1936

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Seventh District

Key West, Fla.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective March 1, 1936, on the basis of service shown hereon.

William A Pierce
(Name)

Keeper
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Key West, Florida. *Date* January 29, 1936

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $1,332.00 per annum, effective at the close of February 29, 1936

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.

W. W. Emerald
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*, February 1, 1936

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval, in accordance with the Act of June 20, 1918, providing for retirement in the Lighthouse Service.

OPN

Acting *Commissioner of Lighthouses.*

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

11—10551

February 1, 1936

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Key West, Fal.

In reference to the application of William H. Pierce, keeper, for retirement on account of age at the close of February:

It is noted that you show the date of birth of Mr. Pierce as February 18, 1886, and if that were the correct date of his birth he would not yet be eligible for retirement. However, it is assumed that the date shown by your office in this instance is in error, as the Department's record containing Mr. Pierce's personal history sheet shows his date of birth as given by him to be February 19, 1866. Therefore, the date of birth shown on page 2 of Form 9 has been corrected to agree with Department records and the matter submitted for its action.

The correct date of birth, February 19, also provides for carrying Keeper Pierce's active service to the close of February 18, 1936, and changing the last five-year period from the beginning of February 18, 1931 to the beginning of February 19 of that year, the end of the five-year period being February 18, 1936. These amendments, however, do not affect the annual rate of retired pay as shown by your office.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. L.

Administrative Assistant

H-M

February 25, 1936.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Dear Mr. Pierce:

The Department is notifying you, by separate letter, of your retirement from the Lighthouse Service, effective March 1, 1936, on account of Age.

For myself personally, and for the Department, I extend sincere thanks for your satisfactory services. I have noted from the Department's records that you entered the Service in February, 1907, and served continuously for over twenty-nine years. Your long and splendid record should be a source of continuous comfort to you, and I entertain the hope that you may long enjoy the leisure which you have so well earned.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL C. ROPER

Secretary of Commerce.

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LIGHTHOUSES

FEB 27 1936

February 25, 1936.

Mr. William H. Pierce,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act approved June 20, 1918, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, the Department has retired you from active duty in the Lighthouse Service (Seventh District), with retired pay at the rate of $1332 per annum, effective beginning March 1, 1936.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER

Chief of Appointment Division.

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LIGHTHOUSES

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General Accounting Office
Claims Division
Washington 25, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Reference your file Misc-2894625. Inclosed is a letter of Mr. William H. Pierce, a retired member of the former Lighthouse Service, in which he claims the difference due in retired pay based on gross salary, which includes the amount deducted as a charge for occupancy of Government quarters, over that paid him based on net salary, for the period March 1, 1936 to June 30, 1947. In this connection, reference is made to the Comptroller General's decision of October 23, 1947 (B-70029). Also inclosed is Standard Form 50 (9 Part), describing this retirement. This form shows correct computation of retired pay to be $1,352.54 per annum, whereas, for the period March 1, 1936 to June 30, 1947, Mr. Pierce was paid at the rate of $1,332.00 per annum - an underpayment of $20.54 per year or $1.71 per month.

Computation of the amount due and appropriations chargeable are as follow:

13-66414	Retired Pay, Lighthouse Service, 1936	$ 6.84
13-70905	" " " " 1937	20.54
2081255	" " " " 1938	20.54
2091255	" " " " 1939	20.54
2001255	Retired Pay, Former Lighthouse Service, Coast Guard, 1940	20.54
2011255	" " " " " " " 1941	20.54
2021255	" " " " " " " 1942	20.54
2031255	" " " " " " " 1943	20.54
2041255	" " " " " " " 1944	20.54
2051255	" " " " " " " 1945	20.54
2061255	" " " " " " " 1946	20.54
2071255	" " " " " " " 1947	20.54
	Total	$232.78

For tax withholding purposes, the records of this office show that Mr. Pierce claims four (4) exemptions.

Mr. Pierce's mailing address is 622 Ashe Street, Key West, Florida, and his claim is forwarded for settlement. No part of this claim has been or will be paid by this office.

By direction of the Commandant.

Very truly yours,

Incls:
1. Claimant's letter dtd 1/9/48
2. Standard Form 50 (9 Part)

A. F. MACKAY, Lieutenant, USCG
Chief, Pay and Audit Section

CC: Claimant
Budget Division, Sta. 6-3

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GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25

CLAIMS DIVISION
IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE
Misc-2894625-NKB

March 4, 1948

The Commandant,
United States Coast Guard,
Washington 25, D. C.

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for administrative examination and report is the claim of William H. Pierce, 622 Ashe Street, Key West, Florida, for the difference between retirement pay received based on net salary and that alleged to be due based on gross salary, as a former employee of the United States Lighthouse Service.

In connection therewith, it is requested that this office be furnished with copies of claimant's appointment, promotions, or any other personnel action taken while he was in a pay status for the five year period immediately prior to the date he became separated from the service and placed on retirement, together with a copy of his notice of retirement, showing the date retired and last day of duty.

It is also requested that a payroll voucher be furnished, showing the basis on which his retirement pay was computed and the amount he would have received if his retirement pay had been based on his gross salary, together with any other pertinent facts relative thereto. The payroll voucher should include complete citation to the appropriation or appropriations from which paid during the period for which adjustment is to be made by this office.

The enclosure should be returned with your report.

Respectfully,

P. E. Sours

Chief of Section.

Enclosure.

STANDARD FORM 127
APRIL 1952
PRESCRIBED BY GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
REG. 3-IV-302.

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER
(SEPARATED EMPLOYEE)

1. DATE OF REQUEST: 26 December 1956

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2. NAME (*Last, first, middle*)	3. NAME UNDER WHICH FORMERLY EMPLOYED FEDERALLY (*If other than item 2*)	4. DATE OF BIRTH
Pierce, William H.		2-19-1866

5. FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYING OFFICE (*Agency, bureau or equivalent, address, and dates of employment*)

Lighthouse Service
Miami, Florida
Retired 3-1-36

(*If formerly employed by agencies in addition to above, list under item 7*)

6. PERSONNEL FOLDER ACTION (*Check appropriate box*)

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