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Burns, Andrew	4563213
E-Mail Address:	**Phone Number:**
afbfg4@umsl.edu	636-415-7353

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

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

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: 1916	To: 1917
(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-0005966369

Attendant Signature:

CMRS Search Request Number(s):

Remarks: REQ SENT 7/15/25 - RL

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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:

William U. Roberts

LEGAL RESIDENCE.
Florida

INACTIVE

William W. Roberts

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
2nd Asst Kpr Dry Tortugas L.S. Fla	$456.	L. H.	Dec. 27, 1915.
2d " " " " " "	$480	"	August 2, 1916.
2nd " " Carysfort Reef " "	480	"	
Resigned close May 31. 1917			

INACTIVE

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Form 73

NOMINATION

FIFTH DISTRICT BOARD
RECEIVED DEC 20 1915 LIGHT
DEC 22 1915
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

WWD-LHP.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

Key West, Fla. (City.), December 18, 1915. (Date.), 191

CHIEF CLERK
DEC 22 1915

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, * **William W. Roberts.** Legal residence, **Key West, Fla.**

Position, **Second Assistant Keeper.** Salary, **$456.00.**

Location, **Dry Tortugas Lightstation, Fla.** Appropriation, **Salaries, L.H.Keepers.**

Effective **December 24, 1915.** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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

Location, **----------**

Rank on eligible list, 3 Rating, **Asst.Kpr.** Percentage, **86.4** , Other eligibles considered:

H. L. Curry, F.R.
Wm. A. Albury, D.

Previous incumbent, Benjamin R. Knowles Services terminated, **December 16, 1915.**

Reason, **Resigned.** – Date to be reported.

Relatives in Government Service, Wm. B. Roberts, Father, Carpenter, U.S.Naval Station. Key West, Fla.

Remarks:

* Mr Roberts

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

Secretary, FIFTH Civil Service District.

Inspector. a/s

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

DEC 22 1915

12-22-15

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

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

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1915.

Mr. William W. Roberts,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. - - -) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the Seventh Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 23 1915 ON JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

*DL 1/12/16 amends

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Benjamin R. Knowles.

Legal Residence: Florida.

(See reverse side.)

CHANGE REPORTED JAN 1916 C. S. COMMISSION

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

[redacted]scribed by Section 1757, Revised Statute[redacted]

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT DEC 31 1915 HOUSES

APPOINTMENTS JAN 18 1916 2.

CHIEF CLERK JAN 18 1916



I, William U. Roberts,

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 U. Roberts
(Appointee signs here)

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[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 28th day of December, A. D. 1915.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) H B Haskins

(Official title) Clerk, 7th L.H.Dist.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 2d Asst.Keeper	$456. A.	Dry Tortugas L. S., Fla.
Former[5]		

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

CARDED.

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 7TH District

Key West, Fla (Address), Dec. 28, 1915. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on December 27, 1915. (Date)

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

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[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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LIGHT
DEC 31 1915
HOUSES

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1913.

CHIEF CLERK
JAN 15 1916

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To the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department of Commerce:

For the purpose of enabling the Department to maintain a complete record of its officers and employees, you are requested to have every person hereafter appointed or employed in your Bureau, immediately upon his entrance on duty, answer each of the questions in Part I of this form and sign the same. The information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved in accordance with instructions. The information in Part II should be supplied as indicated and the form forwarded to the Department.

APPOINTMENTS
JAN 15 1916
10,

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

CARDED.

PART I.

(Part I should be filled out 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 should 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.)

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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. If name itself is merely a letter, it should be so stated.)

Mr. William Uriah Roberts

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

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

Key West.	Fla.	Monroe	Fourth ✓
City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.

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

5. Where were you born? Green Turtle Key Bahamas

6. When were you born?

October	23rd	1884
Month.	Day.	Year.

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

Mrs William U Roberts
Name.

Number and street.

Big Pine Key
City or town.

Florida
State or Territory.

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

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
William B. Roberts	Father	Navy Dept		Ship-wright.

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: "By reinstatement," or "by transfer from ——," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Keeper U. S. Lighthouse Service Jany. 12th 1915

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 other position in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below the Department and Bureau or Service in which you served, the position held, the salary you received, and the dates of your appointment and separation from the service.) No.

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.

12. Do you hold any State or municipal office? (If so, state name of such office and compensation attached.)

no.

13. 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.) no.

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

14. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time other than during the Civil or Spanish-American Wars, indicate such service in the spaces below. no.

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

15. Are you the widow or orphan of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.) no.

Name under which service was rendered

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

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

Master of Lake Bay and Sound Steam Vessels

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

Public School

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

None

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

Keeper U. S. Lighthouse Service
Jany. 17th 1910

20. 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

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. Dec. 28th, 1915

Witness:

In case signature is by mark.

(Signature) William H. Roberts

P. O. Address: Key West.
City or town.
Love Lane
Number and street.
Fla.
State or Territory.

(Where the appointee is to be employed outside of the District of Columbia the information given in Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer in immediate charge before forwarding to the Bureau. Where he is to be employed in the District of Columbia, Part I should be reviewed and approved by the officer who executes Part II.)

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded December 28, 1915., 19

(Signature) W. H. Emmerth

(Official title) Inspector, 7th L.H.Dist.

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PART II.

(Part II should be executed 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.)

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) Dry Tortugas L.S., Fla. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel.)) Seventh (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Second Assistant Keeper, L.H.S.

3. State the date of appointment. December 23, 1915.

4. State the date the appointment was effective. (If appointment was made to take effect on date of oath, so state.)

date of entry on duty.

5. State the date of the oath. December 28, 1915.

6. State the date the employee entered on duty. December 27, 1915.

7. What is his salary? $456. A.

8. From what appropriation is he paid? Salaries, L. H. Keepers.

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

10. If classified, state the date of classification. May 6'96. May 6'96

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

From examination, Keeper Lighthouse Service, January 12, 1915.

12. Is the employee required to give bond? No.

13. When the legal residence given in answer to question 3, Part I, differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

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14. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out. His father became a citizen while he (Wm.U.Roberts) was a minor.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded to the Department.

(Signature) Wm. W. Demeritt

(Official title) Inspector, 7th L.H.Dist.

Date: December 28, 1915. 19

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Dry Tortugas, pay
of keepers.

December 28, 1915.

Secretary of Commerce:

Referring to the recommendations for the increase in pay of certain keepers and assistant keepers in the Seventh Lighthouse District submitted to the Department this day under separate covers.

The Bureau states that the Lighthouse Inspector, under date of December 21, 1915, reports as following with reference to the keeper and assistant keepers at Dry Tortugas light station, Florida:

> "It is the intention of this office not to pay this employee the increased rate until the general condition of upkeep merits the adjustment of salary in question".

The employees affected are Edgar J. Russell, keeper
Holton M. Roberts, first assistant
William W. Roberts, second assistant.

The Inspector has been instructed to resubmit nominations in these cases when conditions at the station justify.

(Signed) G R Putnam

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
KEY WEST, FLA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT DEC 31 1915 HOUSES

HBH-LHP.

Hydrog.
Engr. Corps
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comsnr
Comsnr.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 7TH DISTRICT
KEY WEST, FLA.

JAN 12

6 Enclosures.
Wm. U. Roberts
Appointment -

December 28, 1915.

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.

The probationary appointment of William W. Roberts is herewith returned with the request that same be made to read "William U. Roberts."

2nd A.K. 456. Dry Tortugas L. S. Fla.

Mr. Roberts, in response to instructions from this office, reported at this office to execute personal question sheet, etc., when it was found that his middle initial is "U" and not "W".

On reviewing his "Application for Examination (Form 1035)" it is found that the "U" of the endorsement looks like a "W", but that his signature on the inside of the application is "Wm. U. Roberts."

Personal Question Sheet, Oath of Office and Declaration of Appointment are enclosed.

1-12-16

Inspector.

Bureau of Lighthouses

H B

January 11, 1916.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce with recommendation that the appointment certificate be amended accordingly. The papers noted in the last paragraph will be sent the Department at a later date.

Acting Commissioner.

January 12, 1916.

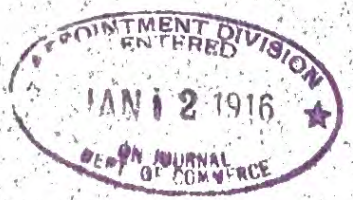
Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 11th instant, the Department has amended its order probationally appointing William W. Roberts to the position of second assistant keeper of Dry Tortugas Light Station, Florida, by changing the name of the appointee to read William U. Roberts. The notice of appointment dated December 23, 1915, has been amended accordingly and is herewith returned.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

CARDED!



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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUL 31 1916
HOUSES

AB-LHP.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

SPECIAL

Key West, Fla. (City.), July 28, 1916. (Date.) 191

CHIEF CLERK
AUG 2 1916
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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, increase in salary.

Name, William U. Roberts. Legal residence, Florida.

Position, 2d Asst. Keeper. Salary, $480.00.

Location, Dry Tortugas L. S. Fla Appropriation, Salaries, L.H.Keepers. FLH

Effective August 2, 1916. ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

APPOINTMENTS
AUG 2 1916
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Former position, 2d Asst. Keeper. Former salary, $456.00.

Location, Dry Tortugas L. S. Fla

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

Auth DL Dec. 14, 1915.

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Above recommendation is 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.

Wm. W. Demeritt
Inspector. AB

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

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1-inclosure.

August 2, 1916.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. Inclosed is letter from the Seventh Inspector of July 28 in regard to this matter.

G. R. Putnam

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

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
KEY WEST, FLA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUL 31 1916
HOUSES

AB-LHP.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 7TH DISTRICT
KEY WEST, FLA.

Recommendation of
William U. Roberts.
Increase of pay -

July 28, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.

Referring to Bureau indorsement of December 28, 1915, on letter from this office dated December 21, 1915.

Enclosed is a copy of report of inspection of Dry Tortugas L. S. of which William U. Roberts is 2d Asst. Keeper. This report will show that the condition of the station and personnel will justify the increase of pay.

In obedience with instructions in said indorsement, the nomination is resubmitted.

Wm. W. Emerson

Lighthouse Inspector.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON

August 2, 1916.

Mr. William U. Roberts,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

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

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

(By increase in compensation from $456 per annum.)

CARDED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED AUG 2 1916 ON JOURNAL DEPT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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OFFICE REPORTED SEP 1916 MISSION.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: Florida.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT AUG 19 1916 HOUSES

APPOINTED SEP 16 19

CHIEF CLERK SEP 16 1916

I, William U. Roberts.

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 U. Roberts
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 16th day of August, A. D. 1916.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) A. Brosh

(Official title) Chief Clerk Office of Inspector 7th Dist

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 2d Asst. Keeper.	$480. A.	Dry Tortugas L. S.
Former[5] do	$456. 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), August 16, 1916. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on ~~July xx 1916~~ *August 2, 1916. (Date)

CARDED.

*Changed in Bu. L.H. 7/13

Wm. W. Demerritt
(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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SEP 15 1916

Form 73a

REPORT OF TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

AB-LHP.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES MAR 12 1917

Key West, Fla., March 8, 1917.

CHIEF CLERK MAR 15 1917

APPOINTMENTS MAR 15 1917

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following-named employee will be transferred as indicated, and will enter upon duty at his new station on March 16, 1917.

$450

Name, William U. Roberts. Position, 2d Asst. Keeper.

From Dry Tortugas L. S. Fla To Carysfort Reef L. S. Fla

Previous incumbent, Ludwig Bethel.

Services terminated, March 15, 1917. Reason, Transfer at the request of this assistant keeper to exchange stations.

CARDED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAR 16 1917 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

Wm. U. Roberts

Lighthouse Inspector.

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The above-referred-to transfer became effective beginning with .....

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

MAR 15 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner.

Form 93

AB-LHP.

LETTER TRANSMITTING RESIGNATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT MAY 1 1917 HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

Key West, Fla., April 28, 1917.

CHIEF CLERK MAY 2 1917

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, William U. Roberts. Position, 2d Asst. Keeper.

Legal residence, Florida. Station, Carysfort Reef L. S. Fla

Salary, $480. per annum.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAY 2- 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS MAY 2 1917

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of May 31, 1917.

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

Remarks:

5-2-17

Wm. W. Emerith

Lighthouse Inspector. A.B.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

MAY 1 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,
KEY WEST, FLA.

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

L.H. INSPECTOR APR 25 1917 KEY WEST, FLA.

Carysfort Reef L.S.
OFFICE OF ~~INSPECTOR, 7TH~~ DISTRICT
~~KEY WEST, FLA.~~

LIGHT MAY 1 1917 HOUSES

April 24th, 1917.

Light-house Inspector
7th District
Key West. Fla.

Please accept my resignation to take effect on May 31st 1917.

Yours very respectfully
Wm. A. Roberts.
2nd Asst Keeper.
Carysfort Reef. L.S.

May 2, 1917.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated April 24, 1917, as second assistant keeper of Carysfort Reef Light Station, Florida, at $480 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of May 31, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. William U. Roberts,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

CANCELLED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 2 - 1917 DEPT OF COMMERCE JOURNAL

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USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

LIGHT HOUSES
SEP 25 1916
DATE TO BE ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

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

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

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

Roberts, William Uriah

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

Lighthouse, 7th District

4. Designation of position:

2nd Asst.Keeper, L.H.S.

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

See "4"

6. Annual earnings:

$456.

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS.

8. Present rate of pay:

$ AS

9. Initial rate of pay:

$ 456 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: —— ~~Months:~~ ——

~~Regular—~~ ~~Years:~~ —— Months: 6-4/30

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

Bahamas

12. Race:

W.

13. Sex:

M.

14. Date of birth—

Month: October 23

Year: 1885

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

ElO.

16. Marital condition:

M.

17. War veteran?

No.

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State: 4 Florida

County: Monroe

19. Civil service status:

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20. Method by which classified status was obtained:

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21. Place of employment—

City: Dry Tortugas L.S.,

State: Fla.

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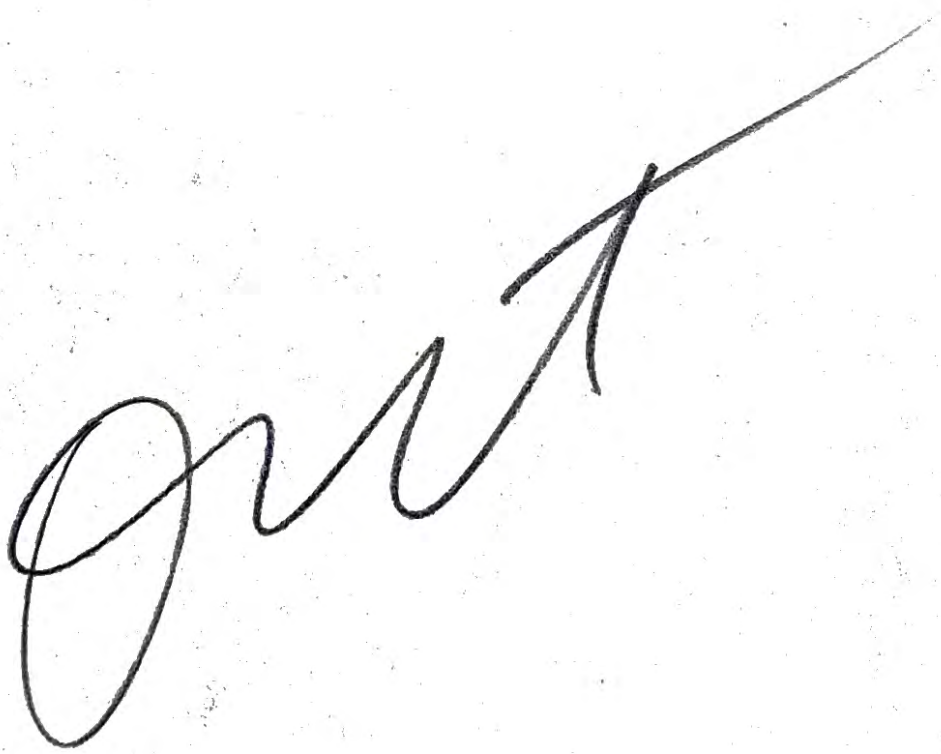
ROBERTS WILLIAM U. ROBERTS



ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
KEY WEST, FLA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
DEC 24 1915
HOUSES

AB-LHP.

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

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 7TH DISTRICT
KEY WEST, FLA.

Recommendation of
William W. Roberts.
Increase of pay -

December 21, 1915.

Same as Russell Kpr
D.T. JC Dec 24

The Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.

Referring to the enclosed recommendation for increase of salary of William W. Roberts, 2d Assistant Keeper of Dry Tortugas Lightstation, Fla.

It is the intention of this office not to pay this employee the increased rate until the general condition of upkeep of this Station merits the adjustment of salary in question.

D Merritt
Inspector.
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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

DECEMBER 28, 1915.

Nomination returned, attached, with instructions to resubmit when conditions at the station so justify.

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Acting Commissioner

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Dry Tortugas, pay of keepers.

December 28, 1915.

Secretary of Commerce:

Referring to the recommendations for the increase in pay of certain keepers and assistant keepers in the Seventh Lighthouse District submitted to the Department this day under separate covers.

The Bureau states that the Lighthouse Inspector, under date of December 21, 1915, reports as following with reference to the keeper and assistant keepers at Dry Tortugas light station, Florida:

> "It is the intention of this office not to pay this employee the increased rate until the general condition of upkeep merits the adjustment of salary in question".

The employees affected are Edgar J. Russell, keeper
Holton H. Roberts, first assistant
William W. Roberts, second assistant.

The Inspector has been instructed to resubmit nominations in these cases when conditions at the station justify.

Form 73

NOMINATION

FIFTH DISTRICT BOARD
RECEIVED DEC 20 1915

LIGHT DEC 22 1915 HOUSES

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

Dec 23, 1915, wired Insp

Key West, Fla. (City.), December 18, 1915. (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, probationary appointment.

Name, William U. Roberts.

Legal residence, Key West, Fla.

Position, Second Assistant Keeper.

Salary, $456.00.

Location, Dry Tortugas Lightstation, Fla.

Appropriation, Salaries, L.H. Keepers

Effective December 24, 1915.

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

Former position, --------

Former salary,

Location, ----------

Rank on eligible list, 3 Rating, Asst.Kpr Percentage, 86.4 , Other eligibles considered:

H. L. Curry, F.R.
Wm. A. Albury, D.

Previous incumbent, Benjamin R. Knowles Services terminated, December 16, 1915.

Reason, Resigned.

Relatives in Government Service, Wm. B. Roberts, Father, Carpenter, U.S. Naval Station. Key West, Fla.

Remarks:

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. DEC 20 1915 , 191

ACTING Secretary, FIFTH Civil Service District.

Wm W Demeritt
Inspector. AB

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

DEC 22 1915

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

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

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Washington D C December 23 1915

Lighthouse Inspector Key West Florida

Roberts appointed second assistant keeper Dry Tortugas effective December twenty four or entrance thereafter

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Commissioner

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appt signed
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12/23

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LIGHT
DEC 24 1915
HOUSES

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JAN 14 1916
HOUSES

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1915.

Mr. William U. Roberts,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office and to a probationary period of not to exceed six months as provided by paragraph (c) of section 1 of civil-service rule VII, Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Fifty-six dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. - - -) issued by the local Civil Service Board for the Seventh Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Benjamin R. Knowles.

Legal Residence: Florida.

(See reverse side.)

Dec 27, 1915

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LIGHT HOUSES JAN 14 1916

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Engineer
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Dep. Cashier,
Cashier.

January 12, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 11th instant, the Department has amended its order probationally appointing William W. Roberts to the position of second assistant keeper of Dry Tortugas Light Station, Florida, by changing the name of the appointee to read William U. Roberts. The notice of appointment dated December 23, 1915, has been amended accordingly and is herewith returned.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Assistant Secretary.

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2 inclosures.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
JAN 14 1916

To Lighthouse Inspector, Key West, Fla.,
for his information, guidance, and files of office. Deliver the original of Department notice of appointment, herewith, to Mr. Roberts.

Acting Commissioner.

Enclosure 981.
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January 17, 1916.

Subject: Declaration of appointee, William U. Roberts.

Returned to Lighthouse Inspector, Key West, Fla., the attached declaration of appointee, pertaining to the files of the local board, having been inadvertently mailed to this office.

Acting Commissioner

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
KEY WEST, FLA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JUL 31 1916
HOUSES

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Hydrog.
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Commr.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 7TH DISTRICT
KEY WEST, FLA.

Recommendation of
William U. Roberts.
Increase of pay -

July 28, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.

Referring to Bureau indorsement of December 28, 1915, on letter from this office dated December 21, 1915.

not attached per July 31

Enclosed is a copy of report of inspection of Dry Tortugas L. S. of which William U. Roberts is 2d Asst. Keeper. This report will show that the condition of the station and personnel will justify the increase of pay.

In obedience with instructions in said indorsement, the nomination is resubmitted.

Wm. W. Demeritt
Lighthouse Inspector.
A.B.

Form 73

NOMINATION

LIGHT
JUL 31 1916
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

AB-LHP.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT,

SPECIAL

Key West, Fla. (City.), July 28, 1916. (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, increase in salary.

Name, William U. Roberts.

Legal residence, Florida.

Position, 2d Asst. Keeper.

Salary, $480.00.

Location, Dry Tortugas L. S.

Appropriation, Salaries, L.H.Keepers.

Effective August 2, 1916.

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

Former position, 2d Asst. Keeper.

Former salary, $456.00.

Location, Dry Tortugas L. S.

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

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Above recommendation is 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

Wm. W. Dimeritt
Inspector. AB

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

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1-inclosure.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. August 2, 1916.
Inclosed is letter from the Seventh Inspector of July 28 in regard to this matter.

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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
AUG 3 1916
HOUSES

August 2, 1916.

Mr. William U. Roberts,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

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

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

(By increase in compensation from $456 per annum.)

Aug 2, 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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AUG 3 1916

Holton M. Roberts,
William U. Roberts,
entrance on duty.

August 26, 1916.

Lighthouse Inspector, Key West, Fla.

Referring to the oaths of office submitted by William U. Roberts and Holton M. Roberts, as second and first assistant keepers, Dry Tortugas Light station, respectively.

The Bureau notes that each entered on duty on July 1, 1916, whereas they were appointed effective August 2, 1916, or thereafter. The increase in the pay of these keepers was due to the new pay schedule for keepers, but nomination for increase in their pay was not made by you in view of the fact that they were not regarded as worthy of increase in their pay at the time, January 1, 1916, the schedule went into effect. Your nominations, dated July 28, 1916, effective July 1, 1916, reached this office July 31st, and were transmitted to the Department August 2, recommended for approval on the same date, as there was no authority to issue a prior date appointment in these cases. The Department made the appointments effective August 2, 1916, and their increase in pay should date therefrom. The date on the oaths of office has been changed to August 2, 1916. If these keepers have been paid at the increased rate for July and August, proper deduction should be made on the proper payroll of the difference between the old and new rates of pay from July 1 to August 1, 1916, inclusive.

Acting Commissioner.

Form 73a

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REPORT OF TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Seventh DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES MAR 12 1917

Key West, Fla., March 8, 1917.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following-named employee will be transferred as indicated, and will enter upon duty at his new station on March 16, 1917.

Name, William U. Roberts.

Position, 2d Asst. Keeper.

From Dry Tortugas L. S.

To Carysfort Reef L. S.

Previous incumbent, Ludwig Bethel.

Services terminated, March 15, 1917.

Reason, Transfer at the request of this assistant keeper to exchange stations.

Wm. W. Emmett

Lighthouse Inspector.

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The above-referred-to transfer became effective beginning with .....

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAR 15 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information.

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Acting Commissioner.

LIGHT
MAY3 1917
HOUSES

May 2, 1917.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation, dated April 24, 1917, as second assistant keeper of Carysfort Reef Light Station, Florida, at $480 per annum, in the Lighthouse Service, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses, to take effect at the close of May 31, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Mr. William U. Roberts,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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