



THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5824 Name Frank Hagen Corps R.C.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

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|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Frank Hagen</u> |
| 2. What is your full Address? | 2. <u>5 Hammond St. City</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? | 3. <u>Yes</u> |
| 4. What is your age? | 4. <u>21</u> Years |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? | 5. <u>Laborer</u> |
| 6. Are you Married? | 6. <u>No</u> |
| 7. Have you ever served in any Branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so,* which? | 7. <u>No</u> |
| 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? | 8. <u>Yes</u> |
| 9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? | 9. <u>Yes</u> |
| 10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? | 10. Name |
| | Corps |
| 11. Are you willing to serve upon the conditions as embodied in the roll of service to be signed by you if you are accepted? | 11. <u>Yes</u> |

I, Frank Hagen do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Frank Hagen A.P.M. SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
P. A. O. Moulton Signature of Witness.

Frank Hagen DOATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.
 I do make oath, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me and on this 7th day of July 1915.

Signature of Attesting Officer C. B. Dicks Lieut.

† CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the:

If enlisted by special authority, such will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 29-7-18 1915 Place H. Johns } Approving Officer.
H. Johns

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.
 ‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

* If so, Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz:—(Name).....re-enlisted in the (Regiment).....on the (Date).....

C.R. 5824

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, Depot St. John's dated Jan. 17/1919.

The Discharges of the undernoted on Demobilization have been
CONFIRMED by Officer i/c Recordsen noted dates.

#5824 Pte. Frank Hagen

16-1-19.

C.R. 5824.

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, Depot St. John's, dated Dec. 24th. 1918

The undernoted discharge on demobilisation have been approved by O. C. Discharge Depot from noted date. He is removed from Depot strength and transferred to discharge Depot pending confirmation by Officer in charge of Records.

19-12-18.

#5824 Pte. Frank Hagen.

C.R. 5824

Extract from Daily Orders part 11 Depot St. John's dated Nov. 2nd., 1918 No.

#5824 Pte. F. Hagen

The above mentioned returned from Special Duty at Dry Dock 1-11-18.

No 5 Simms St.
St Johns Mld.

Dear Sir

Will you kindly
oblige me by trying to let
my brother Private Frank
Cogan remain home
this draft as his father
is very bad he is in the
General Hospital and
there is no hope of him and
he is wishing that his
son could remain until
after this crowds goes as we
were told this was another
lot going Private Cogan
would like to see the last
of his father as he is so
bad and if you can will
you try and let me know
if he can remain so

that I could let his father
know. I am his ~~brother~~ ^{daughter}

I remain

Your Sincerely

Frances Egan

This is my address

Miss Frances Egan
5 Simms St
City

C.R. 5824

October 22, 1918.

Dear Madam:-

I have your communication in connection with your brother, Private Frank Egan and have given instructions that he is not to be forwarded at present.

Yours truly,

Major.
District Officer Commanding.
Newfoundland.

Miss F. Egan,
#5 Simms Street,
City.

C.R. 5824

October 22, 1918.

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I have your communication in connection with your brother, Private Frank Egan and have given instructions that he is not to be forwarded at present.

Yours truly,

Major.
District Officer Commanding.
Newfoundland.

Miss F. Egan,
#5 Simms Street,
City.

October 22, 1918.

From:- District Officer Commanding,
Newfoundland.

To:- Officer Commanding Depot,
City.

F. Egan or Hagen.

Will you please see that this man is not sent forward on draft until the matter has been referred to me.

You will remember this case in connection with an application before the Exemption Tribunal.

Major,
District Officer Commanding.
Newfoundland.

C.R. 5824

Extract from Daily Orders Part 11 Unit The Royal Hfld:
Regt., St. Johns Oct. 21, 1918

THE FOLLOWING MAN PROCEEDED ON SPECIAL DUTY TO DRY DOCK
15-10-18.

5824 Pte. F. Hagan.

C.R. 5874

September 20, 1918.

To:- Officer Commanding Depot.

Frank Hagen (or Eagan).

This man's case was before the Tribunal and was recommended for consideration, though they could not exempt him on account of his evidently having enlisted voluntarily.

I would suggest that he be kept back from the present draft until it is decided what final disposition is to be made of him.

Major.
District Officer Commanding.
Newfoundland.

Extract from Daily Orders part 11, from Unit The Royal
Nfld. Regt. St. John's, dated July 20, 1918.

#5824 Pte. Frank Hagen.

Attested for General Service with the Royal Nfld. Regt.

19-7-18

Hagen, Fk.

5824

Hay Sept.

FOUR DIVISION
BOARD
FRANKFURT

January 16th., 1919

#5824 Pte. Frank Hagen,
#5 Simmonds St.,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed "Discharge
Certificate No. 557."

Yours faithfully,

Captain,
Paymaster & O.I/c Records

Enc^d 1, 1.

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

PROCEEDINGS ON DISCHARGE

1. No. 5824 Rank W Name Frank Hagen

Intended place of residence 5 Simms St. City

2. Occupation Sabourer

Classification of soldier C Medical Category A-11

3. The above named man is discharged in consequence of..... **DEMOBILIZATION.**

4. His accounts are correctly balanced and I have impartially inquired into all matters brought before me, in accordance with Regulations.

Place **DEC 19 1918** W. Bowley Capt.

Date **DEC 19 1918** Commanding Discharge Depot
The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY SOLDIER ON DISCHARGE

5. I hereby acknowledge that I have received all my pay and allowances (including clothing allowance) and all just demands up to the present date, and hereby release the Discharge Depot, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, of all financial responsibility in my connection.

Place and date St. John's Frank Hagen

..... 26.12.18 W. Bowley Capt.

Signature of soldier

Signature of witness

CIVILIAN RE-ESTABLISHMENT CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY SOLDIER

6. I hereby certify that I am in a position to resume civilian occupation immediately on discharge.

Place and Date St. John's Frank Hagen

..... 19-12-18 W. Bowley Capt.

Signature of soldier

Signature of witness

STATEMENT OF SERVICE

7. Enlisted for service 19-7-18 No of days on Military

Discharged from service 19-12-18 plus 28 days Service 182.....

APPROVAL OF DISCHARGE

8. The discharge of the above mentioned soldier is hereby approved to be confirmed by the Officer in Charge, The Royal Newfoundland Regiment, twenty-eight days from date.

Place **ST. JOHN'S.** R. H. Lait Capt.

Date **DEC 19 1918** Officer Commanding Discharge Depot
The Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

CONFIRMATION OF DISCHARGE

9. The discharge of above mentioned soldier is hereby confirmed.

Place St. John's, Nfld W. Bowley Capt.

Date January 16/1919 W. Bowley Capt.

Officer in Charge

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

W. B. 2079/557

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

DEMOBILIZATION OF

Reg. No. 5824 Rank Pty Name Hager - Frank
 Date of Enlistment 19 7 18 Address St. John's District St. John's
 Occupation Laborer Classification for Discharge C Medical Category AE
 Recommendation S.M.B. Disability Rating

Passed to Demobilization Officer with following documents:—

N.F. P 36.....	B 268.....	B 121.....	1	N.F. Med.....	D.F. 1.....	1
B 178.....	W 3494.....	B 122.....		Board 1st.....	" 2.....	
B 178a.....	1 D 400A.....	1 B 1915.....	2	do 2nd.....	" 3.....	3
B 179.....	D 400B.....	Form L.....		do 3rd.....	" 4.....	
B 179a.....	D 400C.....	Form K.....	1	do 4th.....	" 5.....	
B 179b.....	B 103.....	ME 2.....	1		" 6.....	
B 179c.....	B 120.....	M 93.....				

Date 17 12 18

W. H. C. Carr
O. C. Discharge Depot.

PARTICULARS FOR DEMOBILIZATION

1. Civil Re-Establishment.

I am..... in a position to resume civilian occupation.

Frank + Hager
Widow

Particulars passed to Vocational Officer for information and action.

Date.....

2. Clothing.

Certified that Clothing Regulations have been complied with:—

(a) Clothing Allowance payable \$6000

(b) Clothing Supplied Joseph H. Snowling

Date 19 12 18

O. C. Re-clothing.

3. Transportation and Release Certificate.

The above named has been provided with Travelling Warrant No. *nil* to his home at *St John* and Release Certificate No. *493* issued.

Date *19-12-18*
ASD who Capt
 Demobilization Officer

4. Pay and Allowances.

The herein named soldier's accounts have been correctly balanced and all matters in connection therewith settled. He has received pay and allowances to *16-1-19*

Date *19-12-18*
ASD who Capt
 Depot Paymaster.

Discharge approved for *19 12 18*

Forwarded with following documents to O.C Discharge Depot.

N.F. P 36.	B 268.	B 121.	1	N.F. Med.	D.F. 1.	1	<i>Form B</i>
B 178.	W 3494.	B 122.	2	Board 1st.	" 2.	2	
B 178a.	D 400A.	B 1915.	1	do 2nd.	" 3.	1	
B 179.	D 400B.	Form L.	1	do 3rd.	" 4.	1	
B 179a.	D 400C.	Form K.	1	do 4th.	" 5.	1	
B 179b.	B 103.	ME 2.	1	" 6.	1	
B 179c.	B 120.	M 93.	1	

Date *20 12 18*
ASD who Capt
 Demobilization Officer.

APPROVED.

Documents as above forwarded to :-
 Officer i/c Records.
 Board of Pension Commissioners.

with following additional documents.

Date *DEC 19 1918*
RH Lat Capt
 O. C. Discharge Depot.

Received the above noted documents from O. C. Discharge Depot.

Date *Dec 26/1918*

To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

OF

Surname

Hagen

Christian Name

Frank

Table I.—GENERAL TABLE

Birthplace:—Parish

St John's

County

Newfoundland

SPECIAL RESERVE

REGULAR ARMY

Examined	on <i>19</i> day of <i>July</i> 191 <i>8</i>	on	day of	191
	at <i>St John's</i>	at		
Declared Age	<i>20</i> years	days	years	days
Trade or Occupation	<i>Laborer</i>			
Height	<i>5</i> feet	inches	feet	inches
Weight	<i>117</i>	lbs.		lls.
Chest Measurement	Girth when fully expanded	<i>34</i> inches		inches
	Range of Expansion	<i>3</i> inches		inches
Physical Development				
Vaccination Marks	Arm	Right	Left	Right
	Number			
When Vaccinated				
Vision	R.E.—V=	<i>6/0</i>	R.E.—V=	
	L.E.—V=	<i>6/0</i>	L.E.—V=	
(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease	(a)		(a)	
(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection	(b)		(b)	
Approved by (Signature)	<i>Lammert Peterson</i>			
(Rank)		Medical Officer		Medical Officer
Enlisted	at	<i>St John's</i>	at	
	on <i>17</i> day of <i>July</i> 191 <i>8</i>		on	day of 191
Joined on Enlistment	Corps	<i>Royal</i>	Corps	
	Regtl. No.	<i>5824</i>	Regtl. No.	
Transferred to	<i>Regiment</i>			
Became non-effective by	on	day of	191	on
(Signature)				
(Rank)				

Civil Re-establishment Committee



I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have had an interview with the Vocational Officer of the Civil Re-establishment Committee or other recognized vocational agent of the Committee who has explained to me the provisions made by the Committee for the industrial re-training of disabled or partially disabled sailors and soldiers as well as the readiness of the Committee to assist any returned sailors and soldiers (whether disabled or not) to find employment. My decision is as follows:

To work as Labourer.

Frank + Hagen
Mark. *Witness J. E. Sinclair*
Signature of Man.

Reg. No. *5824*

O. B. Dickson

Signature of the Vocational Officer or his Representative.

Place *St. John's N. Y. L. D.*

Date *19/12/18* 191

St John's

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Class for Demobilization:—
6

400 A

Report of Demobilization
Travelling Board, held on soldier for
discharge.

Discharge Depot: Headquarters The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

Date **NOV 28 1918**

Regimental No. *5824*

Name *Hagan, Frank (Pte)*

Address *N° 5 Simms St. St. John's*

Present Medical Category *A¹¹*

Recommended for:— (a) Immediate discharge
(b) ~~Standing Medical Board~~

Members of Board {
R.H. East O.C. Discharge Depot.
W. Paterson Senior Medical Officer
J.W. Burden M. O. Depot

F.C.



Descriptive Return of a Soldier Discharged on Account of Disability

INSTRUCTIONS—This form is to be completed in the case of every discharged soldier whose claim to pension on account of disability, is to be submitted for the consideration of the Pensions and Disabilities Board.

This section should be completed in the Hospital at which a man is attending at the time of his examination by a Medical Board, or, if the man is not in Hospital, by the Medical Officer of the Unit or Command Depot. The Soldier should be given a full opportunity of examining it, as, if awarded a pension, his subsequent identification depends on his confirming this declaration. The "Rank," "Station," and "Date" should be in his own handwriting.

The form will then be attached to the Proceedings of the man's Medical Board and will be forwarded to the O. i/c Records together with the remainder of the man's documents.

Changes occurring in the description subsequent to the date of admission to pension should be noted in red ink.

Name in full *Hagan, Frank*
 Regiment from which discharged *1st. Newfoundland*
 Regimental number *5824*
 Intended address *St. Johns*

Height on discharge Feet
 Color of hair on discharge *Dark Brown*
 Complexion *Medium*
 Color of eyes *Brown*

Descriptive Marks *-*
 Figure on discharge *Slight*
 Christian name of Father *Denis*
 Christian name of Mother *Mary*
 Wife's maiden name in full *-*
 Date and place of marriage *-*
 Christian names of children *-*

Place and date of soldier's birth. *Trinity*
 Nature and locality of civil employment required

I declare that I am the soldier referred to above and that all the particulars contained in the above statement are, to the best of my knowledge, correct

(Soldier's signature in full) *Frank Hagan*

(Rank) *plk.*

Station *St. Johns* Date *11/12/15*

I certify that the above named soldier signed the foregoing declaration in my presence, and that the above description and details are, to the best of my knowledge correct.

W. Wood
Commanding F. Coy
 Medical Officer in Hospital,
 Unit, or Command Depot.

Station _____ Date _____

This Form is to be used in connection with Pamph. M. E. (1)
N. F. 1915

In the spaces below should be entered the findings in the routine of examination set forth in the Appendix. Care should be exercised that each finding be entered after the number below which corresponds to the number of that test.

Examination of *Frank Hagen*
aged *19 years* conducted at *CHB Armory*
Date: *Jul 19/15* Recruiting Officer:

NO OF TEST	FINDING
1	<i>no</i>
2	<i>no</i>
3	<i>no</i>
4	<i>no</i>
5	<i>no</i>
6	<i>no</i>
7	<i>yes</i>
8	<i>yes</i>
9	<i>no</i>
10	<i>n</i>
11	<i>n</i>
12	<i>n</i>
13	<i>Some of the pitted & some of the extracted</i>
14	<i>n</i>
15	<i>n</i>
16	}
17	
18	
19	<i>n</i>
20	<i>n</i>
21	<i>n</i>
22	<i>n</i>
23	<i>n</i>
24	<i>n</i>
25	<i>n</i>
26	<i>n</i>
27	<i>n</i>
28	<i>n</i>
29	<i>n</i>
30	<i>n</i>
31	<i>n</i>
32	<i>n</i>
33	<i>yes 6 years ago</i>
34	<i>5 ft 2 in Min 5' 2 1/2</i>
35	<i>112 lbs Min 114</i>
36	<i>29 1/2 32</i>
37	<i>600 p wk.</i>
38	<i>Father Denis Hagen</i>
39	<i>do</i>

H.D.

Signature of Medical Examiner:.....

Sent from 5 Simms street
City.
Sent from March. 19th /19.

Mr Howells

Dear Sir,

I want to know if you could do anything to help me or if you could let me have any allotment or separation money for my brother No. 5824. Private Frank Hagen that was the only money that I had to depend on as my dear father is dead and I got no one to bring and money in and I got house rent to pay I would not mind for only I am a cripple and cant work, my brother joined the regiment in August 2nd 1918. and he was in the hospital so if you can do anything for me will you please let me know as soon as you can.

I would come down to see you my
self only I cant walk very
far, this is all for this time.

I remain yours
Sincerely

Frances Hogan.

The Royal Newfoundland Regiment

DEMOBILIZATION OF

Reg. No. 5824 Rank P/4 Name Hagen - Frank
 Date of Enlistment 19.7.18 Address St John's District St John's
 Occupation Laborer Classification for Discharge C Medical Category AE
 Recommendation S.M.B. Disability Rating

Passed to Demobilization Officer with following documents:—

N.F. P/36	B 268	B 121	1	N.F. Med.	D.F. 1	1
B 178	W 3494	B 122		Board 1st	" 2	
B 178a	1 D 400A	1 B 1915	2	do 2nd	" 3	3
B 179	D 400B	Form L		do 3rd	" 4	
B 179a	D 400C	Form K	1	do 4th	" 5	
B 179b	B 103	ME 2	1		" 6	
B 179c	B 120	M 93				

Date 17.12.18

Monney Carr
O. C. Discharge Depot.

PARTICULARS FOR DEMOBILIZATION

1. Civil Re-Establishment.

I am in a position to resume civilian occupation.

Frank + Hagen
mark witness of Helen

Particulars passed to Vocational Officer for information and action.

Date

2. Clothing.

Certified that Clothing Regulations have been complied with:—

- (a) Clothing Allowance payable. #60.00
 (b) ~~Clothing Supplied~~ Joseph H. Snowford

Date 19-12-18

O i/c. Re-clothing.

3. Transportation and Release Certificate.

The above named has been provided with Travelling Warrant No. *Nil* to his home at *St John's* and Release Certificate No. *493* issued.

Date *19-12-18*

Oppenheimer Capt.
Demobilization Officer

4. Pay and Allowances.

The herein named soldier's accounts have been correctly balanced and all matters in connection therewith settled. He has received pay and allowances to *16-1-19*

Date *19-12-18*

Wolley Capt.
Depot Paymaster.

Discharge approved for *19.12.18*

Forwarded with following documents to O.C Discharge Depot.

N.F. P 36	B 268	B 121	✓ 1	N.F. Med.	D.F. 1	✓ 1	<i>Form B</i>
B 178	W 3494	B 122		Board 1st	" 2	✓ 1	
B 178a	✓ 1. D 400A	✓ 1. B 1915	✓ 2	do 2nd	" 3	✓ 2	
B 179	D 400B	Form L		do 3rd	" 4		
B 179a	D 400C	Form K	✓ 1	do 4th	" 5		
B 179b	B 103	ME 2			" 6		
B 179c	B 120	M 93	✓ 1				

Date *20.12.18*

Oppenheimer Capt.
Demobilization Officer.

APPROVED. *h.*

Documents as above forwarded to:-

Officer i/c Records.
Board of Pension Commissioners.

with following additional documents.

Date *DEC 19 1918*

RH Lat Carr
O. C. Discharge Depot.

Received the above noted documents from O. C. Discharge Depot.

Date *Dec. 26/1918*

M. Bowley Capt.
ASCR

Reg. No. 5824 - Rank Pfc Name Hagen Frank

Attested - 20-7-18 Address

Allotment 60 Allottee Dennis Hagen (Father)

Date of Allotment 1-9-18 Returned from Overseas

Embarked for Overseas Cause

Vacc 9-8-18. 1st Inoc 2-8-18. 2nd 2-9-18 3rd 17-9-18.
15-10-18 Special Duty by Reg. Returns 1-11-18.
4. leave from 13-11-18 to 18-11-18

181218 PASSED TO DEMOBILIZATION OFFICER

DEC 19 1918 DISCHARGE APPROVED ON DEMOBILISATION

13 Simms Street
City

Capt O'Grady.

Dear Sir,

I want
to know if you could send me
half of my brother's pay my
brother's name is private Frank
Eagon because last month I
only got two dollars from him.
I think I am entitled to his pay
as I reared him since he was
four years old and he is the only
support that his father and I
got please try and do your best
for us.

I remain

yours Sincerely

Frances Eagon

For Act Adjutants

attention please W. O'Grady left



DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA
AND QUOTE NO.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

September 20, 1918.

To: Officer Commanding Depot.

1824

Frank Hagen (or Hagan).

7.

This man's case was before the Tribunal and was recommended for consideration, though they could not exempt him on account of his evidently having enlisted voluntarily.

I would suggest that he be kept back from the present draft until it is decided what final disposition is to be made of him.

McIntyre

Major.

District Officer Commanding.

Newfoundland.

STATEMENT BY 5824 PTE. F. HAGEN

During the afternoon of July 19th, I was standing outside the Militia Building reading the evening paper when a soldier came up to me and asked for my papers. I did not have them with me and told the soldier that I had been rejected two years ago on account of being undersize, but had lost my papers. There were no badges given then.

He took me up to the Police Station to get another soldier to escort me to the C.L.B. Armoury. I went up to the Armoury and told them there how I had been rejected two years ago, and they found my name on the books to that effect.

They told me it did not matter as I was within Class I of the Military Service Act and had to be medically examined again. The doctors then examined me and passed me 'fit' and then I enlisted.

I was not compelled by anybody to enlist, though I was advised to do so. I did not say anything about wanting to be exempted.

I saw my sister afterwards in the afternoon and told her I had enlisted and she said she was going to claim exemption for me.

Francis ^{his} X Hagen
mark

Witness Capt. R.H. Tait

15/8/18.

August 20th, 1918

MADAM:-

Reference your letter of recent date, I have to inform you that your brother 5874 Pte. Frank Egan has an allotment of 60¢ per day current, in favour of your father and effective Sept. 1st. This means that on or about Oct. 8th you will receive the amount of \$18.00 from the Pay Department, Militia Building, and afterwards for each consecutive 8th the amount due for the month previous.

He tells me that owing to having a private debt to pay he was unable to give you more than \$2.00 last pay day, but has promised to do better at the end of the month.

I have the honour to be,

Madam,

Your obedient servant

Miss Frances Egan,
13 Simms Street,
City.

R. G. RENDELL, CHAIRMAN
DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE
INSPECTOR GENERAL
MAJOR A. MONTGOMERIE
MAJOR G. T. CARTY

P. J. SUMMERS, SECRETARY



C.R. ~~8824~~

8824

MILITARY SERVICE BOARD

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

August 13, 1918

Appeal

J. R. Bennett, Esq.,
Minister of Militia.

Hagen

Dear Sir:

I am instructed by the Military Service Board to send you the enclosed letter from Mr. J. J. McGrath in reference to the case of 3858, Frank Eagen. As this man is now in the Regiment, the Board considers that he has passed out of their hands, and that his application for discharge is a matter that should be dealt with by the Military Authorities.

Yours truly,

P. J. Summers
Secretary.

II

D.O.C.

Enc.

For your attention please

15/8/18

W. P. Headey
Lieut. Col.
CHIEF STAFF OFFICER,
Department of Militia.

JAMES J. McGRATH,
(SURVIVING PARTNER OF LAW FIRM OF WHITEWAY & McGRATH)
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR AND NOTARY.

AGENT YORKSHIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

CABLE ADDRESS: "BENLION."
CODES USED:
A.B.C. 5TH ED. AND WESTERN UNION

TELEPHONE 61.

DUCKWORTH STREET,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

Aug. 10th 1918

P. J. SUMMERS, Esq., K.C.

Secy. Military Service Board.

Dear Sir,

Re 3858, Frank Eagen: This application first came before the Tribunal consisting of Judge Johnson on the 22nd day of July last, and afterwards on July the 26th. when the application was allowed under B. At first the Judge was not inclined to hear it when he saw the foot note on the application to this effect "This man in Regiment No.5824" but the applicant who was the sister of the conscript asked if she might tell her story. The Judge consented. She spoke about the Father being old and sick and no one to support him but this brother Frank. The sister was also in need of support as she kept house for the Father, the only other brother was in the Navy. She also said that Frank was arrested and forced to join the Regiment. The Judge then consented to hear the application and adjourned it until the 26th of July when the sister was again examined by the Judge.

At the first hearing I did not know the facts, but I endeavoured to point out that the Military Authorities were

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were only enforcing the Act by rounding up those who had not reported or applied for exemptions; that from the facts disclosed that Eagen showed no reason why he should not be rounded up. The Judge would not listen to any excuses or objections. Afterwards the Clerk of the Tribunal informed me that the Military Authorities were asked to find out if the brother was with the Naval Reserve. I informed the Clerk of the Tribunal by letter, after making the enquiry, that there was a James Eagen in the Naval Reserve, whether brother of Frank or not I could not say. His address was Brennan Street, St. John's, whereas Frank's was Simms Street St. John's.

The hearing came on again on the 26th of July and the sister gave her evidence. There is no doubt that James Eagen of the Naval Reserve was a brother of Frank. The Tribunal then allowed the exemption under B. Afterwards Judge Johnson ordered Frank Eagen come before the Tribunal to give evidence. On the day fixed Frank Eagen did not appear and he ordered the Clerk of the Tribunal to have him up another day. Frank Eagen appeared before the Tribunal that day but as Judge Johnson had left St. John's for circuit the Tribunal did not examine him. In the meantime the Clerk of the Tribunal had I understand been instructed by the Judge to make some enquiries from the Registrar. As a result on the 6th inst. the Clerk of the Tribunal received the papers back from the Chief Clerk of the Military Service Board

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a copy of which I enclose. The Clerk of the Tribunal asked me to deal with the matter.

Without your approval it may not be wise for me to write the sister. Strictly as this man is within the class called up, even if he volunteered, I do not think it ~~is~~ would preclude the right of somebody in his behalf making an application. If the conscript be forced into the Regiment by threat or otherwise, (in other words, ^yhis act not being voluntary) I do not think it wise to ask for a re-opening of the case. As it stands to-day the application paper with the ruling thereon ought to be with the Registrar until re-heard. It wught not to come back to the ~~Registrar~~ ^{clerk} of the Tribunal unless we want the matter re-opened. This would have to come before the full Tribunal which cannot be obtained for some time owing to the circuit. In the meantime this man ought not to be sent over-seas if it is the Military authorities who ask to have the ruling revised. Perhaps the Military Service Board might desire to give me definite instructions before I take any step.

Yours r'fully,

J. J. McG.

MILITARY SERVICE BOARD.

Aug. 6th 1918.

Sir,

With return of the attached papers, I have to advise as chief clerk of the Military Service Board that we are not concerned in the exemption of this man, as he is already a member of the Regiment.

Should it be desirable that he be released from Military Service, the proper mode of procedure would be for his sister to make Application direct to the District Officer Commanding, requesting that his discharge be granted owing to the extenuating circumstances of his case.

Yours truly,

P.J. Grace Sergt.

Chief Clerk

R. Alsop Esq.,

clerk of the Tribunal.