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### ATTESTATION FORM

#### FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME McConnell OFFICIAL NO. 16640

CHRISTIAN NAMES Lawrence Michael MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
338 Creighton St., Ottawa, Ont.	Baptist

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
Feb. 5th, 1921	Town Ottawa County Carleton Province Ontario.	Mother: Mrs. Annie McConnell Same address.

#### PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <u>5</u>	Inflated <u>37</u>	Black	Brown	Dark	Scar lrt. breast and left wrist.
Inches <u>6 1/4</u>	Deflated <u>33</u>				
Mean <u>34</u>					

  

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
Oct. 11th, 1940.	Ord. Sea.	Machinist apprentice. Ottawa Car & Aircraft Ottawa, Ont.

#### (B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

- (1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.
- (2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) That \* (a) I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve, or Territorial Force.

\* (b) I served in Not applicable for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

\* Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO

- (c) I have never been rejected from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.
- (4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Personnel Records  
Division.

1. Noted in Report *Med*

2. Pass Card *Med*

3. Non-Sua Card *Med*

4. Status Card *Med*

5. Roneo Strip *Med*

6. Pension Card

7. ....

8. ....

DATE Oct. 22, 1940

NO  
MAY

NO  
R.K.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the O T T A W A Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for three consecutive years, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required, <sup>for</sup> ~~the duration of hostilities.~~

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

Dated this 11th day of October, 1940.

Signature of applicant L. M. C. McConnell

(C) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this 11th day of October, 1940.

[Signature]  
Signature of Commanding Officer.  
Act. Pay. Lieut. RCNVR.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Lawrence Michael McConnell do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant L. M. C. McConnell

Witness [Signature]

Date Oct. 11th, 1940. Rank Act. Pay. Lieut. RCNVR.

The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service.

(E) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER

Lawrence Michael McConnell having been duly enrolled to serve in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be recorded in the Record Book of the O T T A W A Division of the R.C.N.V.R.

[Signature]  
Lieut. Comdr. RCNVR. Commanding Officer.

NOTE.—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Divisional Commanding Officer's Record Book, is to be forwarded to Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody.

The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

*Lawrence Michael McCONNELL*

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

*1045 2660*

Training Headquarters <i>Halifax N.S.</i>	R.C.N.V.R. Division <i>Ottawa, Ont.</i>	Official Number <i>V. 6640</i>
		"
		"

Date of Birth *5 February 1921*

Place of Birth *Ottawa, Ontario*

Place of Residence *338 Brighton St Ottawa Ont*

Trade brought up to *Machinist Apprentice*

Religion *Baptist*

Can Swim:—P.P.T. (Y) Date *18 December 1941* Signature *W. Stephens for CO.* Rank *CO.*

Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)  
*Mrs Annie Mother*  
*29/10/43*  
*22-11-44*  
*Same address*

P.S.T. Date *19* Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
<i>11 October 1940</i>		<i>Asst. Sqn. Ldr.</i>	<i>15 apr '45</i>			<i>Provisionally awarded C.V.S.M. and clasp.</i>
			<i>15 apr '45</i>			<i>1939-45 Star Plus Award</i>

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>6 1/4</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Dark</i>	<i>Scar rt breast and left wrist.</i>
On re-enrolment—6 years' Service								
On re-enrolment—12 years' Service								
Further Description if necessary								

TRANSFER BETWEEN DIVISIONS			TRANSFER—LISTS A AND B		
From	To	Date	List	Date	Authority





Name Laurence Michael McCONNELL Conduct

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT (Inclusive Dates)		CHARACTER, ABILITY IN RATING ON COMPLETION OF TRAINING, DISCHARGE FROM THE SERVICE, AND ANNUALLY, 31st DECEMBER, WHILE MOBILIZED			
From	To	Character	Efficiency in Rating Noting Substantive Rating in Brackets	Date	Captain's Signature
		V.G.	Sat. (Ld. Smm)	31 Dec '41	R. P. [Signature]
		V.G.	Sat. (A.B.)	31 Dec '42	R. P. [Signature]
		V.G.	Sat. (A/Badm. [?])	31 Dec '43	R. P. [Signature]
		W.G.	Sat. (L/Rm)	31 Dec '44	J. P. [Signature]
		W.G.	Supr. (Ldy. Smm)	16 Apr '45	H. [Signature]

R.C.N.V.R.  
GOOD CONDUCT AND GOOD SERVICE BADGES

Date	G.S.B. or G.C.B.	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Granted, Deprived, Restored
6 Mch '44	G.C.B.	1st	Granted

12557

TIME FORFEITED

Date	P., D.C., C.P., or W.T.	No. of Days	
		Awarded	Served

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OFFICIAL NUMBER

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NAME McCONNEL Lawrence Michael DATE OF BIRTH 5th February, 1921.  
(Surname) (Given Names)

PLACE OF BIRTH Ottawa, Ont. OCCUPATION Machinist apprentice.

RELIGION Baptist. EDUCATION

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 338 Creighton St., Town Ottawa Province, etc. Ont.

ENGAGEMENTS				DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE			
Date (in figures)			Period	Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year									From	To
11	10	40	H.O.	5' 6 1/4	Black	Brown	Dark	Scar right breast & left wrist.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs Annie McConnell  
ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 338 Creighton St. Town Ottawa Province, etc. Ont

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY				EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.							
Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
				5/6	11	40	Passed E.T. "One" RCNVR.				
				18	12	41	P.P.T. (Good).				
				24	1	42	Marked "Tr".				
				15	8	42	Passed A/S. course.				
				14	5	43	Passed prof. for Ldg. Smn.				

BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.				BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES							
Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year		
6	3	44	1st G.C.B.	Granted.							

**FILM**  
NO. 44NR-5199-6  
**DATE**

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED					
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT  
From To

**W.S.G.**  
APPLICATION  
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V6640 OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **McCONNELL** Lawrence Michael  
(Surname) (Given Names)

**P.I.B.**  
OFFICIAL NUMBER V6640

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Re-qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
Ottawa Div. Str.	Ord. Smn.	11	10	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41	S.D.	19	9	42			
Duty Div. Hdqtrs.	"	6	3	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Bytown	"	1	6	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Naden (NSHQ)	"	16	11	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	44							
Naden	"	20	11	41		V.G.	Supr.	16	4	45							
New Westminster	"	30	1	42													
	A/Able Smn.	6	3	42	249A #-5265.												
	Able Smn.	6	3	42	249A #-5295. Confirmed												
Naden	"	16	6	42													
Star	"	15	8	42													
Stadacona	"	25	9	42													
Baffin HMS	"	23	10	42	DRD H-30.												
Stadacona	"	10	12	42	DRD H-142.												
Esquimalt	"	18	12	42	DRD H-210.												
"	A/L/Smn.	15	11	43	Memo of 3.12.43.												
"	Ldg. Smn.	15	11	44	249A #A-10853. Confirmed.												
DISCHARGED	"	16	4	45	"KILLED IN ACTION" per Casualty List. Body Recovered.												

GENERAL REMARKS  
 Awarded: Canadian Memorial Cross:  
 MOTHER: Mrs. Annie McCONNELL,  
 338 Crichton St.,  
 Ottawa, Ont.



Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

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### REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. RECHINALD at Sea

Name McCONNELL, Lawrence Michael  
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating 1st Lieut. Leading Seaman Official No. 7-6840 R.C.N.V.R.  
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Ottawa, Ontario Date of Birth 5th February, 1921

Occupation in Civil Life Musician, (Appx Religion) Baptist

Number of years service in the Navy (Long Service R.C.N., or mobilized service in case of R.C.N. (Temporary) or Reserve ratings) 11th Oct., 1940 - 16th April, 1945

Date of Death 16th April, 1945 Place of Death At Sea

Cause of Death Lost at Sea - enemy action  
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Annie McConnell Relationship Mother  
Address Crichton 312 Colborne St., Ottawa, Ontario

Date on which the above was informed by Ship Not Known

Date on which death was registered with local Officials Not Known

In the case of Imperial Service men, whether Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to Nationality \*\*\*\*\*

Place of Burial Ottawa, Ont. Date of Burial \*\*\*\*\*  
(if known) (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave \*\*\*\*\*  
(if known)

Undertaker employed \*\*\*\*\*  
(if any)

If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalided \*\*\*\*\*

*[Signature]*  
Commanding Officer,  
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*Mated DPR 1/5  
30/5/45*  
The NAVAL SECRETARY,  
Department of National Defence,  
Ottawa, Canada.

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

Distribution: File, Imp. W. G. Com., Dom. Stat., Register.

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15M-7-40 (5849)  
N.S. 815-9-1121

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~~AIR~~ MAIL *jd*

FILE NO.: N.S. V-6640 PERS.(N)

19 April, 1945.

Dear Mrs. McConnell:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 17th of April, 1945, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Lawrence Michael McConnell, Leading Seaman, Official Number V-6640, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, has been killed in action.

For security reasons, the only information which may be released at this time is that your son's death was due to enemy action.

As you are aware, his body was recovered and, in accordance with your wishes, is being sent, at public expense, to Ottawa. You will be informed of the date and time of arrival by the Commanding Officer, H.M.C.S. "BYTOWN", Ottawa, Ont., who will be pleased to assist you in making any necessary arrangements for the funeral. The Protestant Naval Chaplain, the Rev. G. I. Douglas, who has already contacted you, is also available should you require any further assistance.

It is requested that you will regard the name of the ship in which he was serving, together with the fact that she has been in contact with the enemy, as secret until an official announcement is made.

Please allow me to express sincere sympathy with you in your bereavement on behalf of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff, and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

*[Signature]*  
(SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.)  
*[Signature]* *[Signature]*

Mrs. Annie McConnell,  
338 Crichton St.,  
Ottawa, Ont.

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

"ESQUIMALT" Feb. /46

REGISTRATION NO. DATE OF DESPATCH

**MEMORIAL BAR**

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON

ENTITLED TO

Mr. W. T. McConnell - (Father)

ADDRESS:

338 Crichton St.,  
Ottawa, Ont.

DATE DESP

(1)

REGN. NO.

593

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(2)

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

Mrs. Annie McConnell

ADDRESS:

338 Crichton Street  
OTTAWA, Ontario

(3)

28 June 1945

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
DECEASED 16 April 1945

AWARDS NAVY

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

B.D.

MCCONNELL	Lawrence Michael	V-6640	L/Smn.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE

CLASS)

No. Nil

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	26/1/50
Atlantic Star	9709
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)