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ATTESTATION FORM

FOR OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

(A) DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT

SURNAME PARKER CHRISTIAN NAME Jack Reginald RELIGION Church of England	PERMANENT ADDRESS 930 Chilco Street, (Tel. Ma. 0881) Vancouver, B. C.	
DATE OF BIRTH 11th DECEMBER 1908	PLACE OF BIRTH Town Vancouver, County Province B. C. Country	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN Wife: Mrs. Margaret G. Parker, 930 Chilco Street, Vancouver, B. C.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Fect. 5'	Inflated 40	Dark Brown	Hazel	Medium	Appendix Scar.
Inches 11 1/4"	Deflated 36 1/2				
163	Mean 38 1/4				
DATE OF ENROLMENT 15th JANUARY 1943 DIVISIONAL STRENGTH	RANK IN WHICH ENROLLED Probationary Sub-Lieutenant R. C. N. V. R. (REMP)	MARRIED, SINGLE, OR WIDOWER Married	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY Restraunt Owner: 897 Granville Street, Vancouver, B. C.		

(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 an Officer of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and will 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..... for the period shown, and attach my record of service.

* Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -

- (c) I have never been rejected for 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.

IN POSSESSION OF U. I. BOOK? NO

(OVER)

Noted in Service
 Records by *[Signature]*
 22.2.43

(5) On being enrolled as an Officer of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for as long as my services may be required, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the regulations made in pursuance thereof for the governing of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

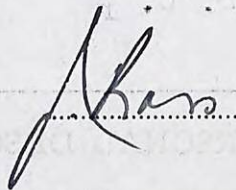
(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To provide myself with the necessary uniform as laid down in R.C.N.V.R. Regulations.

Dated this 15th day of JANUARY 1943 19


Signature of Applicant.

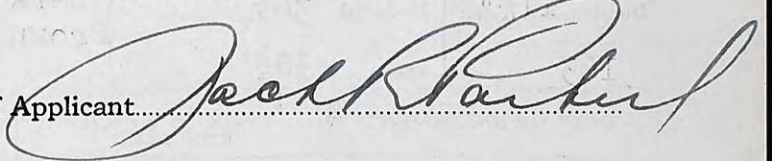
The above declaration was made and signed in my presence this 15th
day of JANUARY 1943

 Sub-Lieut RCNVR
Signature of Enrolling Officer.

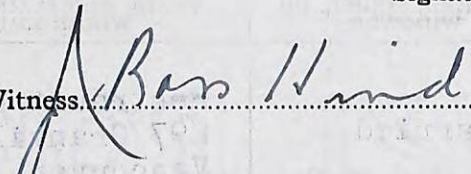
(C) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I Jack Reginald PARKER 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.....



Signature of Witness.....



Date 15th JANUARY 1943

Rank Sub-Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by any commissioned officer of the Naval Service.

NOTE.—This form when completed is to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa, together with Certificate of medical examination B-207, and record of any previous service.

The record of previous service will be returned after examination at Naval Service Headquarters.

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

103-P-209

0-57550

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME PARKER

(Surname)

Jack Reginald

(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH

11 December, 1908.

PLACE OF BIRTH Vancouver, B.C.

OCCUPATION Restraunt Owner

RELIGION Church of England

EDUCATION

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

930 Chilco Street,

Town

Vancouver

Province, etc.

B.C.

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
15	1	43	Hostilities only	5'11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Dark Brown	Hazel	Medium	Appendix Scar				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

NAME (in pencil)

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Town

Province, etc.

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY

EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.

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BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.

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NO. WSP-4495-7
DATE

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SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



V.R.

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME PARKER
(Surname)

Jack Reginald
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

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
Div. Str. Discovery	P/Sub-Lieut. T.	15	1	43	per Appt. 16-2-43.												
H.M.C.S. Discovery	P/Sub-Lieut. T.	21	6	43	per Appt. 19-6-43												
Cornwallis & Kings	P/Sub-Lieut. T.	30	6	43	addl. for training and disposal Per Appt. 13.8.43												
H.M.C.S. Cornwallis	Sub-Lieut. T.	1	11	43	addl. for Divisional course Per Appt. 10.11.43												
H.M.C.S. Brunswicker	Sub-Lieut. T.	15	11	43	Per Appt. 11-11-43												
H.M.C.S. Queen	Sub-Lieut. T.	19	11	43	Per Amended Appt. 23.11.43												
H.M.C.S. Queen	A/Lieut. T.	21	6	44	Promoted and re-appt'd Appt. List 146-44												
H.M.C.S. Cornwallis	" "	1	7	44	Appt. List 152-44												
H.M.C.S. Esquimalt	" "	16	7	44	Appt. List 178-44												
DISCHARGED	A/Lieut. T.	16	4	45	"Missing" Per Casualty List 24-4-45 Page 145 Presumed Dead Per Correction Sheet Page #85												

GENERAL REMARKS

3348 A.L. 8/1/45
897 Granville St. Vancouver B.C.

Memorial Cross Sent to Mother:
Mrs. Grace Parker
Caulfields, B.C. 28-6-45

Memorial Cross Sent to Wife:
Mrs. Margaret G. Parker
897 Granville St.
Vancouver B.C. 28-6-45

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		RELIED		PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.		RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
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FORM "B"

FILE: N.S.O-57550, PERS.(N)

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- Naval Service -
OTTAWA, Canada.

Sir: 14 May, 1945
(Date)

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME PARKER, Jack Reginald RANK or RATING Lieutenant NAVAL NO. R.C.N.V.R.

DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 15 January, 1943 Active Service: 21 June, 1943

DATE OF DISCHARGE - 16 April, 1945.

HOSPITAL -
(If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D.P. & N.H.)

SERVICE - CANADA & HIGH SEAS
(Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and the high seas or elsewhere)

Reason for discharge and - MISSING,
when and where any disability DEAD.- PRESUMED DEAD, when H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMAULT" was
was incurred, or where death sunk by enemy action at sea.
occurred.

(Show clearly whether death or disability due to enemy action,
accident or disease, and whether it occurred in Canada, or on the high seas or
elsewhere outside Canada.)

NEXT OF KIN & RELATIONSHIP -
RELATIONSHIP Wife NAME - Mrs. Margaret G. Parker
ADDRESS - 897 Granville St., VANCOUVER, B. C.

NOTE: If records indicate that rating was separated from his wife, legally
or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any Court Order,
the separation Agreement, etc., to be furnished.

FORM "A" RESPECTING THE ABOVE NAMED HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY
FORWARDED. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS OF MARRIAGE
ALLOWANCE, DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE, etc.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

C.R. BY [Signature]

C. R.
P. A.
TREASURY OFFICE
DATE 14/5/45
INITIAL D.J.R.

Copy

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By command of the Honourable the Minister of National Defence
for Naval Services of the Dominion of Canada

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To Lieutenant Jack R. Parker (Acting), R.C.N.V.R., (Temporary),--

You are hereby appointed

136946

Acting Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

of His Majesty's Canadian Ship ESQUIMALT.

Your appointment is to take effect from 16th July, 1944.

R. A. Pennington

Secretary, Naval Board

R.S.
Department of National Defence
Naval Service

Ottawa, 22nd August, 1944.

H.Q. 36
15M-2-43 (8619)
N.S. 815-7-36

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Personnel Records Division	
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2. Index Card	<input type="checkbox"/>
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P.A.

CLASS OF
SERVICE

TELEGRAM

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FULL RATE
DAY LETTER

TO: MRS. MARGARET G. PARKER,
897 GRANVILLE STREET,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

FROM: NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

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THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES DEEPLY REGRETS TO REPORT THAT YOUR

HUSBAND
(FATHER, HUSBAND, SON, ETC.)

LIEUTENANT JACK HERINALD PARKER
(FULL NAME)

ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE
(RATING)

OFFICIAL NO.

IS MISSING AT SEA DUE TO ENEMY ACTION.

LETTER FOLLOWS.

FILE H.S.O-57550, PERM. (1)

DRAFTED BY D.P.R.

(LIEUT. (R) T.F. HEARD)
CHECKED BY

DATE 18-4-45.

*Noted
D. No. P.A.
26-4-45
P.A.*

NAVAL

CHARGE NAVAL

, 7 May, 1945. 33

Dear Mrs. Parker:

Further to my letter of the 19th of April, 1945, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your husband, Lieutenant Jack Reginald Parker, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMALT", the ship in which he was serving, the fact that all circumstances surrounding his loss have been carefully reviewed, and as no news has since been received to the contrary, the Canadian Naval Authorities have now presumed his death to have occurred on the 16th of April, 1945.

H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMALT", a Royal Canadian Navy minesweeper, was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine while on operational duty off the east coast of Canada. One Officer and fifteen ratings were killed at the time of the disaster, four Officers and twenty-four ratings are missing and now presumed dead, while two Officers and twenty-four ratings survived the sinking.

The above information is now being released for publication.

The following is an excerpt from the report of a Canadian Naval Press Relations Officer who was in contact with survivors of the ill-fated ship.

"Struck by a torpedo on the starboard side, H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMALT" listed heavily, and sank stern first in a few minutes. The ship's list had the seaboat under water and flooded before it could be released from the davits, but carley floats were freed quickly before the ship went down, and those who escaped from the ship gathered on four of these floats.

"It was from the four floats that a sister Bangor minesweeper, H.M.C.S. "SARNIA", picked up the survivors nearly six hours later. Many who had reached the floats safely had died of exposure on the floats, from the soaking in the cold sea water, and sixteen bodies were taken aboard the rescue craft.

"In spite of the rapidity with which the ship heeled over and slid under the surface there was no panic or confusion", a surviving Officer reported. Everyone he had seen had been calmly and quickly abandoning ship.

"Many men had died in the floats, and their bodies were brought aboard H.M.C.S. "SARNIA" with the survivors.

"Artificial respiration was given to some of the unconscious men for hours after they were picked up, but only two men were revived."

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 husband has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

L.G.
Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

SK-N
Date *8/5/45*
Time *1200*

Mrs. Margaret G. Parker,
897 Granville St.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

14 Dundas Esplanade,
Charlottetown, P. E. I.
May 10, 1945.

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Mrs. Margaret G. Parker,
897 Granville St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mrs. Parker:

Your husband John was serving under my command as Anti-Submarine Control Officer during the recent action in which he lost his life.

At the time of the action John was in his quarters and everything happened so quickly he did not have time to get out. He was killed instantly by the explosion.

Johnny was more than a subordinate officer to me, he was a close friend. I knew of his business worries and the difficulties under which you were working, all of which seem so small now.

In line of duty he was willing and competent. In the wardroom, a cheerful warm companion. His popularity however did not exist solely in the wardroom but extended to all who knew him.

May I extend deepest sympathy, I assure you your loss is felt deeply by myself and all surviving shipmates.

Yours sincerely,

Robert C. Macmillan,
Lieut, R.C.N.V.R.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

G.R. BY...

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RCNVR Apr. 46 "ESQUIMALT"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

MEMORIAL BAR

(1) MEDALS
PERSON
 ENTITLED TO Mrs. Margaret G. ~~Parker~~ Berto (Re-married) - Widow
~~2295 Mathers,~~ 3130 Travers Ave.,
 ADDRESS: HOLLYBURN P.O., B.C. 25-4-49

DATE DESP.....

REGN. NO.....

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(2) MEMORIAL CROSS
 WIDOW Mrs. M. G. Parker
 ADDRESS: 897 Granville Street
 VANCOUVER, B.C.

(2) 28 June 1945

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS
 MOTHER Mrs. Grace Parker
 ADDRESS: CAULFIELDS, B.C.

(3) 28 June 1945

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS (NAVY)

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

DECEASED 16 April 1945

D.D.

PARKER	Jack Reginald	0-57550	Lieut.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICEBADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	
Atlantic Star	8790
C.V.S.M. and Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)