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ATTESTATION FORM

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME Sampson OFFICIAL NO. 174
 CHRISTIAN NAMES Francis Leonard MARRIED, SINGLE or WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
56 Dresden Row, Halifax, N. S.		R. C.
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
Sept. 8th 1916	Town Halifax County Halifax Province Nova Scotia	Mrs. Minnie Sampson 56 Dresden Row, Halifax, N. S.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <u>5</u>	Inflated <u>34</u>	dark brown	brown	medium (freckled)	nil
Inches <u>5 1/4</u>	Deflated <u>31</u>				
	Mean <u>33</u>				
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY			
July 3rd 1934	<u>Ord Seaman</u> <i>Byler</i>	Teamster , Ungars Ltd.			

(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 I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve, or Territorial Force.~~

¶ (b) I served in 1st C.B.C.A., 52 Battery 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
1st C.B.C.A. 52 Battery	Gunner	June 1930	June 1933

- (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.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Halifax Half Company 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.

(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 Company 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 3rd day of 1934

Signature of applicant Francis L. Sampson

(C) CERTIFICATE OF COMPANY 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 3rd day of July 1934

[Signature]
Signature of C. C. O.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Francis Leonard Sampson do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty.

Signature of Applicant Francis L. Sampson

Witness [Signature]

Date July 3/34 Rank Lt.

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF COMPANY COMMANDING OFFICER

Francis Leonard Sampson 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 Halifax Half Company of the R.C.N.V.R.

[Signature]
Company Commanding Officer.

NOTE—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Company 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.

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NAME SAMPSON (Surname) Francis Leonard (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 8th September, 1916.PLACE OF BIRTH Halifax, N.S. OCCUPATION Teamster.RELIGION Roman Catholic. EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 56 Dresden Row., Town Halifax Province, etc. N.S.

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
3	7	34	Three years.	5' 5 1/2	D.Brn.	Brown	Medium					
3	7	37	Three years & H.O.									

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Wife NAME (in pencil) Mrs Dorothy M SampsonADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 45 Blenheim St Town Halifax Province, etc. N.S.

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	
21	11	43	1939-43 Star.								

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		
8	9	38	1st. G.S.B.	Granted.							
8	9	42	2nd. G.S.B.	Granted.							

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

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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
Halifax Div. Str.	Ord. Smn.	3	7	34	TRAINING	V.G.	Mod.	27	10	34	Q.R. 111	22	3	41			
HMCS Stadacona	"	14	10	34	27.10.34	V.G.	Sat.	25	5	35	S.G.	9	6	39			
"	"	12	5	35	25.5.35	V.G.	Sat.	25	7	36							
"	"	29	6	36	25.7.36	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	36							
"	Able Smn.	10	7	36		V.G.	Sat.	16	7	37	A/Q.R. 3	1	12	39			
Skeena	"	17	6	37	16.7.37	V.G.	Sat.	28	8	37	Q.R. 3	14	5	40	Relinquished.		
Stadacona	"	16	8	37	28.8.37	V.G.	Sat.	27	9	37							
St. Laurent	"	29	8	37	27.9.37	V.G.	Supr.	3	9	38							
Stadacona	"	10	7	38	11.7.38	V.G.	Sat.	24	6	39							
Skeena	"	12	7	38	3.9.38												
Stadacona	"	15	5	39	24.6.39												
HMCS Stadacona	Able Smn.	12	9	39		V.G.	Supr.	31	12	39	GENERAL REMARKS Canadian Memorial Cross, WIFE: Mrs Dorothy M. SAMPSON, 45 Bloomfield St., Halifax, N.S. MOTHER: Mrs Minnie Sampson, 7 Carleton St., Halifax, N.S.						
Arleux	"	5	10	39		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	40							
Stadacona	"	25	4	40		V.G.	Supr.	31	12	41							
NOIC Sydney	"	16	5	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Stadacona	"	18	1	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
St. Croix	"	5	4	41		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Stadacona	"	8	4	42													
HMS Vanquisher	"	28	4	42													
Stadacona	"	23	8	42													
Cornwallis	"	30	8	42													
Stadacona	"	7	10	42													
Niobe	"	28	10	42													
Athabaskan	"	4	2	43													
DISCHARGED	"	29	4	44	"Missing", per Casualty List. Presumed Dead, per Casualty List. page 69.												

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

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REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

~~XXXXXX~~ NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, at OTTAWA, Ontario.

Name SAMPSON, Francis Leonard
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Able Seaman Official No. V-174 Unit ~~R.C.N.~~
~~R.C.N.V.R.~~ R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Halifax, N.S. Date of Birth 8th Sept., 1916

Occupation in Civil Life Teamster Religion Roman Catholic

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) From 3rd July, 1934 to 29th April, 1944.

Date of Death 29 April, 1944 Place of Death At Sea

Cause of Death Missing, presumed dead when H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" was torpedoed
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)
and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Dorothy M. Sampson, Relationship Wife
Address 45 Bloomfield Street, Halifax, N.S.

Date on which the above was informed by ~~SHIP~~ Naval Service Headquarters, 1 May, 1944

Date on which death was registered with local Officials.....

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.....

If applicable { Place of Burial No burial Date of Burial.....
Location, Number, etc., of grave.....
Undertaker employed.....

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S.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK
JAN 20 1945
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H.B. Money
(Commanding Officer) *EMC*
for SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

The SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD
Department of National Defence,
Ottawa, Canada.

Date OTTAWA, Ont., 12 January, 1945.

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

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1 May, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Sampson:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 1st of May, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your husband Francis Leonard Sampson, Able Seaman, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V-174, is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

According to the report received from overseas, your husband's loss occurred when H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 29th of April, 1944, in the English Channel. Further particulars of this Naval disaster are being published in the newspapers.

While Able Seaman Sampson is reported as "missing", there is a possibility of his survival. It is understood that a number of the crew have been taken prisoners of war by the enemy. The Red Cross have been informed and are attempting to obtain from the German Government a list of those taken. Please be assured that as soon as any further information respecting your husband has been received you will be informed.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy 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,

[Signature]
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Sampson,
45 Bloomfield St.,
HALIFAX, N.S.

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