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SOLONSCH SAMUEL : Service Number - VX15035 : Date of birth - 28 Apr 1905 : Place of birth -
ENGLAND : Place of enlistment - CAULFIELD VIC : Next of Kin - SOLONSCH BESSIE

Please see
Stat Dec.
attached.

AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES

M. F.

ATTESTATION FORM

FOR SPECIAL FORCES RAISED FOR SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA OR ABROAD.

Army No. VX 15035 (SOLONSCH) D.F.O. memo 26th/1/48

Surname DOUGLAS (BLOCK CAPITALS) Other Names John Samuel

Unit Coys. H. C. (driver)

Enlisted for service at HAWTHORN (Place)

(State) _____ (Date) _____

A

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for voluntary enlistment.*

1. What is your name? ...	1. Surname <u>DOUGLAS (SOLONSCH)</u> (BLOCK LETTERS)
	Other names <u>John Samuel</u>
2. Where were you born? ...	2. In or near the town of <u>England</u> in the state or country of <u>England</u>
3. Are you a natural born or a naturalized British Subject? If the latter, papers are to be produced. ...	3. _____
4. What is your age and date of birth? ...	4. Age <u>39</u> Date of Birth <u>28/4/1905</u>
5. What is your trade or occupation? ...	5. <u>Transport Driver</u>
6. Are you married, single or widower? ...	6. <u>married</u>
7. Have you previously served on active service? If so, where and in what arm? ...	7. <u>Royal Navy 1918 1922</u>
8. Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship:—wife, eldest son, eldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, eldest half-brother, eldest half-sister) ...	8. Name <u>Mrs Bessie Douglas</u> Address <u>103 Halifax St</u> <u>Adelaide S.A.</u> Relationship <u>wife</u>
9. What is your permanent address? ...	9. <u>55 Marine Pde</u> <u>Stg 4th above</u>
10. What is your religious denomination? (This question need not be answered if the man has a conscientious objection to doing so) ...	10. <u>Jewish</u>

I, John Douglas (Samuel Solonsch) do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true and that I am willing to serve in the Australian Military Forces within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

Witnessed by J. P. P. P. P. (Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer) J. Douglas (Signature)

* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.

VX 15035

Douglas

B

MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I have made full and careful examination of the abovenamed person in accordance with the instructions contained in the Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Services. In my opinion he is—*

1. Fit for Class I.

2. Temporarily unfit for Class I †

3. Unfit for military service †

I certify that this entry has been checked with AAFPI
Lieut.

HAWTHORN.

Place

Date

13. 5. 40.

Signature of Examining Medical Officer

* Classifications which are inapplicable to be struck out.

† Reasons for unfitness to be stated.

C

(Samuel Solonsch) OATH OF ENLISTMENT †
John Douglas

3. I swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia until the cessation of the present time of war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me God!

Signature of Person Enlisted

John Douglas (S. Solonsch)

Subscribed at

Launceston

in the State of

Victoria

this

seventeenth

day of

May

1940

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer

L. Lyndhurst Lt

† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialed by the Attesting Officer.

DECEASED

DATE

PLACE

NATURE OF DEATH

11/4/43

Java

Executed by Japs.

Lieut.
for Officer in Charge
Victoria Echelon and Records



SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Unit... **Provost Corp Refts.**

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IT PURPORTS TO BE A COPY, AND THAT I AM THE OFFICER HAVING THE CUSTODY OF THE ORIGINAL.

Officer-in-Charge *McKays 9th*
Rank *1st Lt*
District Regt (Enlistment)

Christian Names... **John**
(Stat. Dec. states correct name to be **Samuel Solonseh**)

Surname... **DOUGLAS**
(Block Capitals)

Date of Enlistment... **17/5/40**
Place... **Hawthorn, England.**
Date of Birth... **28/4/1905**
Place of Birth... **England.**
Trade or Occupation... **Transport Driver.**
Religion... **Jewish.**

Marital Condition... **Married.**
Next of Kin... **Mrs. Bessie Douglas**
Address of Next of Kin... **103 Halifax Street, Adelaide, S.A.**

Relationship... **Wife.**
Identification—Colour of Hair... **Black**
Eyes... **Brown**
Sears of **car punctures across buttocks.**

Medical Classification... **Class I, Class 1X**
(On Enlistment)

REPORT		Date	From whom received	Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority or other Document	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received							
17/5/40	OCRRD.			Taken on strength R.R.D.	17/5/40	C'Field	R. O. 99/38/40	Off
22-6-40	46 AAC HQ			Posted to Aust Army Corp HQ	27/6/40	9mit	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
1-7-40	de			Wtd to reinforcements	1-7-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
26-6-40	D 20.			Stat. Declaw State correct name to be Samuel Solonseh	26-6-40	Adelaide	D.F.C. MEMO 264/1/0 2 off	Off
27-9-40	46 AAC HQ			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	Barby	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
26-9-40	46 AAC HQ			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
20-9-40	46 AAC HQ			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
11-11-40	de			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
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21/1/41	de			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
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27/2/41	de			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off
27/2/41	de			Wtd to 26 Sdk	25-9-40	de	W 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Off

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE

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Date	From whom received					
8.4.41		Embarked for service overseas 13/809	8.4.41	Sydney	A 2006	W.S.
3-5-41	S.T.R.	Disembarked	3-5-41	M.E.	A 2006	W.S.
8.5.41		Reverted to 1 st Lt	14/1493		W 3011	W.S.
17.6.41		Wounded and to Staging camp, amputated	15.5.41		W 3011	W.S.
4.7.41	Staging camp	in from Sec. 1st Regt. 2/2480	16.6.41			W.S.
2-7-41	Staging camp	Spent 2 months in hospital	17.6.41		W 3012	W.S.
22.1.42	Staging camp	Spent 2 months in hospital	17.7.41	"		W.S.
16.1.42	Staging camp	Attached from 2 Pro. Coy. 1 P.C.	18.1.42		W 3012	W.S.
30.1.42	Staging camp	Ordered to be detached on transport	30.1.42	"	N 5169	W.S.
		To No 105 Gen Hq by a.c.	30.1.42			W.S.
		Taken on strength	30.1.42			W.S.
3.4.42	O.Z.E.	Embarked	1.2.42	M.E.	W 5169	W.S.
3.4.42	O.Z.E.	Disembarked	18.2.42	Batavia	W 5169	W.S.
28.4.42	G.M.C. 2 nd Lt.	Missing in action. Date unknown	7.2.42	Java	W 5169	W.S.
19.2.46	M. P.W. - P.H.	Deceased whilst Prisoner of War	ON DRAFT	Java	W 5169	W.S.
24.4.46	2 Gals	Date of death presumed to read	10.4.43		W 5169	W.S.
			(10.4.43 %)		W 5169	W.S.
			11.4.43		W 5169	W.S.

F. E. SMITHÉLL'S

Lieut.
for Officer in Charge
Victoria Echelon and Records

RECONCILED
30.5.46

NAME DOUGLAS, J. No. VX 15035

Address (Stat Dec. correct name S. SOLONSCHE)

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2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AFRICA STAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PACIFIC STAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BURMA STAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEFENCE MEDAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WAR MEDAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DECEASED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Recorder WAS
Checker WAS

AWARDS WITHHELD

Serials: Serials listed

REASON: Stat 157

AUTHORITY:

Packer Enges 10/4/51
Despatcher Warrant

TO WHOM DESPATCHED

Reg'd Parcel No. ENG 141/1/50 DATE 19/4/51

RECEIPT

Serials Posted 19-4-51 Sig. Warrant

AHQ Press-3386-8/46-100m DATE 19/4/51

Vertical handwritten notes:
103 to Major Street
Adelaide
S 17

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

STATUTORY DECLARATION.



(1) Here insert name, address, and occupation of person making the declaration.

I, ⁽¹⁾ SAMUEL SOLONSCH, of Caulfield Military Camp,

, do solemnly and sincerely

(2) Here insert matter declared to. Where the matter is long it should be set out in numbered paragraphs.

declare ⁽²⁾ that I have enlisted in the 2nd A.I.F. as JOHN DOUGLAS VX.15035; that I also served with the Royal Navy during the Great War 1916-18 as John Douglas; that I was A.B. Seaman No. 962415; that I am British subject by birth having been born in London on 28/4/01. My father was a British born subject and mother the same. I was married in Adelaide South Australia to Elizabeth Bessie Feldt on 16/2/37 at the Jewish Synagogue.

And I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the *Statutory Declarations Act* 1911 conscientiously believing the statements contained therein to be true in every particular.

(3) Signature of person making the declaration.

(3) Sgd. SAMUEL SOLONSCH.

Declared at CAULFIELD the 18th day of June, 19 40, before me,

(4) Signature of person before whom the declaration is made.

(4) Sgd. J.P.

(5) Here insert title of person before whom the declaration is made.

(5)

NOTE.—Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.

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TELEPHONE :
LA 0441

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

WAR SERVICE HOMES DIVISION,
RICHARDS BUILDING,
99 CURRIE STREET,

If telephoning or calling, please ask for
Mr.....

When Replying Quote.....

Adelaide, 6. 11. 1958.

Memorandum for:

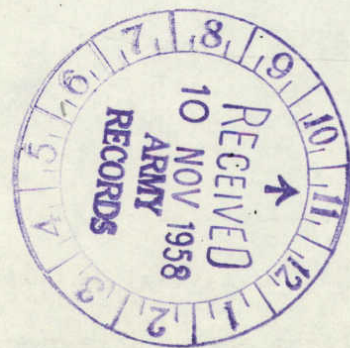
*Army Records Office
Albert Park Barracks
Melbourne.*

Re: *VX. 15035*
SOLONSCHE Samuel

The abovenamed has made application for assistance under the War Service Homes Act, and I shall be glad if you will forward the following information:-

- 1. Date of enlistment. *17 MAY 1940*
- 2. Date of appointment to:-
A.I.F. A.I.F. " " "
R.A.A.F. Korean Service Malayan Service
- 3. Overseas Service (if any) *8 APR 1941 — 11 APR 1943*
- 4. Date of discharge.
- 5. Reason for discharge. } *DECEASED WHILST PRISONER OF WAR.*

A.L. Rolfe
DEPUTY DIRECTOR
per *[Signature]*



CAR E2/2/DW.

VX15035

568.

12 NOV 1958

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E2.

The Deputy Director,
War Service Homes Division,
99 Currie Street,
ADELAIDE. S.A.

Dear Sir,

VX15035 SOLONSCH, Samuel. (Deceased)

In reply to your memorandum of 6th November 1958, the following information is supplied:-

- (1) 17 May 1940
- (2) 17 May 1940
- (3) 8 Apr 1941 - 11 Apr 1943.
- (4) Deceased whilst Prisoner of War.

Yours faithfully,

PA/pd
E.V.
12/11

~~no~~ Colonel,

OIC Central Army Records Office.
12 NOV 1958