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M.F.

ATTESTATION FORM.

FOR SPECIAL FORCES RAISED FOR SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA OR ABROAD.

Army No. V 215408 VX 102523

Surname BRAY

(BLOCK CAPITALS)

Other Names JOHN DENIS

Unit 13th Aust. Armoured Regiment

Enlisted for service at Gherang
Victoria

(State)

6th July 1942

(Place)

(Date)

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

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|--|--|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. Surname <u>BRAY</u>
(BLOCK CAPITALS)
Other names <u>JOHN DENIS</u> |
| 2. Where were you born? | 2. In or near the town of <u>Moalvern</u>
in the State or country of <u>Victoria</u> |
| 3. Are you a natural born or a naturalized British Subject? If the latter, papers are to be produced | 3. <u>Natural born</u> |
| 4. What is your age and date of birth? | 4. Age <u>26</u>
Date of Birth <u>11 - 1 - 1916</u> |
| 5. What is your trade or occupation? | 5. <u>bleck</u> |
| 6. Are you married, single or widower? | 6. <u>Married</u> |
| 7. Give details of previous Military Service | 7. A.M.F. No. <u>V 215408</u> Rank <u>TROOPER</u> Unit <u>13th Aust. Arm. Reg.</u>
OTHER MILITARY SERVICE _____
No. _____ Rank _____ Unit _____ |
| 8. If now serving, give particulars | 8. No. _____ Rank _____ Unit _____ |
| 9. 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.) | 9. Name <u>WIFE. Gladys Bray</u>
Address <u>Fourth Street</u>
<u>Mentone</u>
Relationship <u>WIFE</u> |
| 10. What is your permanent address? | 10. <u>Fourth Street</u>
<u>Mentone</u> |
| 11. What is your religious denomination? (Answer optional.) | 11. <u>Catholic</u> |
| 12. Have you ever been convicted by a civil court? | 12. <u>NO.</u> |
| 13. Have you any of the following Educational Qualifications? If so, which? | 1. Certificate for Entry to Secondary School _____
2. Intermediate <u>YES.</u>
3. Leaving _____
4. Leaving Honours _____
5. Technical <u>Junior - Intermediate Cert.</u>
6. University Degrees _____
7. Other Diplomas _____ |

I, John Denis Bray 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 [Signature]
(Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer)

[Signature] (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.

B. MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I certify the above-named person to be fit for Class _____

Temporarily unfit.
Unfit

(Signature)

C. OATH OF ENLISTMENT †

I, John Denis Bray 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 [Signature]

Subscribed at UCKAPUNYAL in the State of Vic.

this FIRST day of SEPT 1942

Before me—
Signature of Attesting Officer [Signature]

† 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.

PROCEEDINGS FOR DISCHARGE.

PART A—Compiled by Unit:

Discharge Authority <i>15 APR 1945 1917/19-10-45</i>
Reason for Discharge <i>AMR & O 253A(1)(1) Special Demit</i>
State in which discharge desired—Normally State in which member's home is situated. <i>Vic</i>

Unit ² *AUST. MED. REGT. A.I.F.* Army No. *VX 102523* Rank *F/BDR*
Other Names *JOHN DENIS* Surname *BRAY* (Block Letters)
16 NOV 1945

PART B—Personal details—compiled by Unit:

1. Home address *FOURTH ST. MENTONE VICTORIA*
Date commenced F.T.D. *8/11/42* Date of Birth *11/1/16*
State whether:—
Married, single, divorced, widow *MARRIED*
or widower
No. of Dependents in respect of whom dependant's allowance is being paid:—
Under 16 yrs. *2* 16 yrs. & over *1*

2. Present Description of Soldier:—
Age *29* yrs. months
Height *5 ft 9 in.* Eyes *HAZEL*
Complexion *FRESH* Hair *BROWN*
Marks/Scars

Trade Group in which employed
3. Operational Service:—
(a) Overseas area of service Embarked from Aust. Disembarked in Aust.
(b) N.T. (North of Par. 14³⁰ Sth.) or Torres St. Is.:— From To

Part B compiled by:—
Date *1/10/45* (Officer's signature and rank)
Medical Cases Only AMR & O 253A (1) (d) Disability:—
Degree of Disability %
Authenticating Signature Date
For Echelon Use:—
A1

PART D—Compiled by Ech. & Rec.:

5. Details for Certificate of Discharge No. *306780*
Unit (for discharge purposes) *as above*
Served on continuous Full Time War Service in the *A.I.F.* from *8/11/42* to *28 NOV 1945* from *29/1/40* to / /
for a Total Effective Period* of *133* days, which included Active Service in Australia *132* days and 1923 Active Service O/S Australia *1317* days
Decorations and Awards† during that Service:

War Badge Class and No. Entered Badge Register
Discharged from the *A.I.F.* and discharge confirmed vide Schedule No. *VN967* on and from *28 NOV 1945* to take effect
Place *898/505* Signature *[Signature]* Ech. and Rec. Date / / Officer i/c
6. Details compiled by checked by
A.A.F. A.101 written by
Entered Discharge Certificate Register Entered "Wills" Register
A.A.F. A.131 obtained by

PART E—To be signed by Soldier on discharge:

7. I hereby acknowledge receipt of:
(a) Certificate of Discharge No. *306780*
(b) Army Form A.131 purporting to contain my Will.
(c) War Badge No. *306780*
Date *1/10/45* Signature of Soldier *[Signature]*
Place *898/505* Signature of Witness *[Signature]*

* "Effective Period" means the period of service, less any consecutive 21 days or more for which the soldier was not entitled to pay.
† Australia means the mainland of Australia and Tasmania.
‡ Does not include War Medals.

DETERMINATION OF DEMOBILIZATION PRIORITY

DEMOB. INDICATOR	
N	178

A. ARMY NO. VX 102523 RANK L/BOB UNIT 2nd AUST. MED. REGT. AIF
 SURNAME BRAY
 OTHER NAMES JOHN DENIS
 Date of Commencement of Full War Time Service 8/11/42 Age at commencement of Full Time War Service 26 years.

B. ASSESSMENT OF NORMAL PRIORITY.

- | | |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1. Length of Service in months <u>42</u> X 2 (males) or X 1 (females) | Points |
| 2. Age at enlistment in years <u>26</u> X 2 (males) or X 3 (females) | <u>92</u> <u>84</u> |
| 3. Dependency Status (males only)—one point for each month of Service | <u>53</u> |
| 4. Dependency Status (females only)—insert "A" } | <u>46</u> <u>42</u> |
| 5. Marriage (females only) —insert "B" } | <u>150</u> <u>178</u> |
| 6. Records and assessment checked. | Total (Normal Priority) |
| Date <u>4-10-45</u> | <u>178</u> |

Date 4-10-45 State of VICTORIA Signature of Officer [Signature]

7. I desire discharge in the State of _____
 8. I intend to apply—
 * (i) For service in the Permanent Military Forces.
 * (ii) For service throughout the Demob. period.

C. DECISION OF COMMANDING OFFICER OR REPRESENTATIVE OF SERVICE ON FORMATION H.Q.†

* Not to be retained
 * ~~To be retained~~ (see instructions).
 Signature _____ Date _____

D. ALLOTMENT OF SPECIAL PRIORITY.

Reason and Authority _____
 Date _____
 Signature of Commanding Officer or Representative of Service _____

INSTRUCTIONS.

- LENGTH OF SERVICE.**—Months of service calculated from the date of commencement of full-time service to the date notified by L.H.Q.
AGE AT ENLISTMENT.—Completed years of age at date of commencement of full-time war service.
DEPENDENCY STATUS.—Accorded only to members on whose behalf an allowance is being paid by the Army for one or more dependants.
MARRIAGE.—Claims by female members for discharge on account of marriage will not be recognised if such marriage has not been reported, and in consequence has not been entered in their personal records.
†PART C.—REASONS FOR RETENTION.—to be inserted as appropriate
 (i) Member of Permanent Military Forces;
 (ii) Applicant for Permanent Military Forces.
 (iii) Service throughout Demob. period—voluntary.
 (iv) Services essential—Retained until _____

For Badge application see Army Number.....

FEMALE RELATIVES BADGE.

B. MOTHER'S and WIDOW'S BADGE and for STAR (Issued).

ARMY NUMBER.....
VX 102523

For Badge application see Army Number.....
VX 45969

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE, AND THAT I AM NOT PROVIDING THE ORIGINAL RECORDS TO ANY OTHER OFFICE OR PERSON.

COMPLETED

COPY

A.F. B.103-1 (Adapted)
 1913-408
 2 Aust. Med. Regt. V X 102523

SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

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 19-11-43
 COMPLETED

San Johnston
 19-11-43
 P Christian Names
 Down Denis
 Surname
 BRAY
 (Block Capitals)

District Re ord. Office
 Southern Command (3) Date of Enlistment 7.1.42
 Place Rec. Res. Parkdale
 Date and Place of Birth 11.1.18 E. Malvern
 Trade or Occupation Clerk
 Religion R C
 Marital Condition Married
 Next of Kin Gladys Bray
 Address of Next of Kin FOURTH ST. MENTONE
 Relationship wife

Medical Classification—Class I.
 (On Enlistment) Class H.

REPORT		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 W 3011, B 2069 or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
5.4.42	Rec camp	Stc	17/42/27	6.4.42	C. Sield	M. 22	Stc
14.4.42	5 Am. Regt		52/42/C10	10.4.42	R. V. L. C. M. 11. 74/42		Stc
11.8.42	"		110/42/C10	8.8.42	Pucka	10/42	Stc
5.9.42	"		121/42/C10	9.4.42	"	10/42	Stc
1.9.42	"		120/42/C10	8.4.42	"	10/42	Stc
12.12.42	"		168/42/C10	30.11.42	"	20/42	Stc
12.12.42	"		168/42/C10	11.12.42	"	20/42	Stc
16.1.43	"		8/43/C10	31.12.42	"	24/43	Stc
25. MAR 1943	13 HAR		N.F.O.		3 MP	Stc 1917 & 1918	Stc
24.5.43	13 AAR		Det. for duty to 2 Aust. Army. He. of shops.	23.5.43	Q. L. of C.	W. 3011. 42	Stc
9.9.43	"		Rep. unit from above detachment	28.5.43	"	W. 3011.	Stc
23.9.43	"		Attending 2 Aust. Army. Det. W.O.'s & Sgt. School	24.9.43	"	"	Stc

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BRAY J.D

REPORT

Date	From whom received	Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, etc., Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including for-lough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W.3011, E.2069, or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
25.10.43	130000	Taken on strength from above school	23.10.43	Q.L. of C.	W.3011	AW
5/3/44	"	Reverted to drafts	4/3/44	"	"	gdt
5/3/44	"	W/o to 8496 BSA for pay to try & dispatch to 1 Aust Inf Div Bde	4/3/44	"	"	gdt
4-3-44	5007(a)	W/in ex Unit for reactor	4/3/44	"	801/5256	JF
9-3-44	"	W/in to 1 A 17 Bde. W/O	9-3-44	"	1722/5705	JF
16.3.44	102882	W/O in 1st Bde. 1st Bde.	15.3.44	1st Bde	805/4257	JF
1-6-44	"	W/O to 1 Aust Inf Div. Centre f.u. 1st Bde. 1st Bde.	20-5-44	1st Bde	" P47	JF
30.5.44	4 ARSB	W/in from 1 Aust Inf Div. Bn.	30.5.44	Banunga	A232	OP
4.9.44	"	W/in to 5 Aust ARD	4.9.44	"	A232	OP
10.9.44	5000	W/in from 13 Aust Pers Stg Camp	10.9.44	Belheim	W.3011	OP
20.10.44	5000	W/in to 2 Aust Med Regt (T)	30.10.44	"	W.3011	OP
16.11.44	5000	W/in to 2 Aust Med Regt (T)	14.11.44	"	W.3011	OP
6.12.44	"	W/in to 3rd Unit Water Outpost	6.12.44	"	W.3011	OP
16.12.44	"	W/in to 3rd Unit Water Outpost	9.12.44	"	W.3011	OP

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.

for O. I/c. Records

NSW L of C Area Records Office
 W. Allen
 69/44
 108/44
 44/44
 53/44
 1092720/44
 1/2969/44
 1/65/44

A.H.M.-3/42-B1841

SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

A.F. B.103.-2 (Adapted)

2 Aust. Med. Regt.

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103-1.

1802(2) VX102523

Lt. J. B. Bray

n.w. 200m 6/44

DECEASED

REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, etc., Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W. 2011, B. 2069, or other Document	Initials of Officer Correcting Entries
Date	From whom received					
12.2.45	200700000	Transfer Proficiency Pay	14.11.45	O'land	200700000	2007
19.2.45	..	Qualified as 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	9.12.45	"	200700000	2007
19.4.45	..	Regimental pay course. 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	15.4.45	"	200700000	2007
21.5.45	2/2 A.B.H.	Wounded at Bk. Point	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
22.5.45	..	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
24.5.45	19000	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
24.5.45	200700000	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
23.5.45	2/2 A.B.H.	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
24.5.45	2/1 AED	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
24.5.45	19000	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
24.5.45	200700000	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
21.5.45	..	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	21.5.45	"	200700000	2007
19.10.45	..	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	19.10.45	"	200700000	2007
24.10.45	..	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	24.10.45	"	200700000	2007
15.11.45	..	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	15.11.45	"	200700000	2007
1.11.45	Dist. Off.	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	1.11.45	"	200700000	2007
2.11.45	..	Wounded by 1st Lt. 1st Bn. 2nd Div.	2.11.45	"	200700000	2007

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BRAY J.D.

U.S. FORM 8/44

A.F. B.103.—2 (Adapted)

SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103—1.

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REPORT		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 W.3011, B.2069, or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received					
15-11-45	LTD Co	M/O to Dial Hqs	15-11-45	h/c	11073	SS
16-11-45	Dial Hqs	M/O from LTD Co to M/O Hqs/V12	16-11-45	Next	11073	SS
	"	M/O to AM & Royal Depo LTD Co/Hqs/V12	16-11-45	"	"	SS
28-11-45	AME r/p	M/IN LTD VIC EX M/IN AMF DISCH DEPOT VIC, EX 1st YB VIC	28-11-45	1/c	932c	A
1/12/45.	AMF DD	Discharged AMR & O. 253A P 1844 N9 R/O 6746/AC39	28/11/45	Royal Pk	PK 9678	S
		DECEASED 13.1.1988 V/c VA Death List Jan 88				



AUSTRALIAN

MILITARY FORCES.

M. F.

MOBILIZATION ATTESTATION FORM

To be filled in for all Persons at the Place of Assembly when called out under Parts III. or IV. of the Defence Act, or when voluntarily enlisted.

Army No. V915408, Surname BRAY, Unit RECREATION RESERVE, Enlisted for war service at Parkdale Victoria (State) -7 JAN 1942 (Date)

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

1. What is your name? ... 1. Surname BRAY (BLOCK CAPITALS) Other names John Denis
2. Where were you born? ... 2. In or near the town of East Malvern In the state or country of Victoria
3. Are you a British Subject? ... 3. N.B.B.S.
4. What is your age and date of birth? ... 4. Age 25 Date of Birth 11-1-16
5. (a) What is your normal trade or occupation? Grade if any? 5. (a) Clerk (b) Present occupation? ... (b) State G. Commissioner
6. (a) Are you married, single or widower? ... 6. (a) Married (2 children) (b) Aug 1939
7. (a) Have you had previous naval, military or Air Force service either in peace or war? If so, where and in what arm? 7. (a) (b)
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 Gladys Bray Address South St Mentone Relationship wife
9. What is your permanent address? ... 9. as above.
10. What is your religious denomination? (This question need not be answered if the man has a conscientious objection to doing so) ... 10. R.C.
11. Which, if any, of the following Educational Qualifications do you possess? ... 1. Certificate for entry to Secondary School 2. Intermediate yes 3. Leaving 4. Leaving Honours 5. Technical 6. University Degree 7. Other Diplomas
12. Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? ... 12. No
If so—(a) What Court? ... (a) (b) for what offence? ... (b)

I, John Denis Bray, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true. Witnessed by J. B. Collie (Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) J. Bray (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 Acts.

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 † I. Hummer 8/1/42
3. Fit for ~~Class II.~~ Moote
4. Temporarily unfit for Class II † _____
5. Unfit for military service † _____

Place DRILL HALL, FRANKSTON Date 7.1.42

Signature of Examining Medical Officer M. Kelany CAPT

* Classifications which are inapplicable to be struck out. † Reasons for unfitness to be stated.

C
OATH OF ENLISTMENT †

For persons voluntarily enlisted or called upon under Part III. or Part IV. of the Defence Act, and not being members of the Active Citizen Military Forces to serve in the Citizen Forces in time of war. Not compulsory for serving members of the Forces or those allotted to the Citizen Forces under Part XII. of the Act, but unless in any case an objection is raised, the oath should be administered to them as part of the ceremony of attestation.

I, John Denis Bray swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Citizen Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia for the duration of the present time of war, and for a period of ~~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 J. Bray
DRILL HALL RECREATION RESERVE

Subscribed at PARKDALE in the State of VICTORIA
this Seventh day of January 1942

Before me—
Signature of Attesting Officer H. S. McColl MENT

† 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 initialled by the Attesting Officer.