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Divisional Strength H. M. C. S. "PREVOST" Ord. Seaman for . W.T. 25th August (temp) London, Ontario

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:-

(B)

- (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.

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(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of Aris Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge belief.

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- (5) On being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake bind myself:—
- (a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, 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 when called and 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 naval establishment 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, until called into active service, not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.
- (d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.
- (e) I have not been induced to enter as Ord. Seaman for W. T. (T) by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to any other branch or rating.

Dated this 25th day of August 1943

Signature of applicant Leward & Anderson

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

My authority for attestation is RD 7-3-2 RTM 335 26th June 1943.

Signature of and rapk of Attesting Officer.

Lieutenant RCNVR

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Stewart William ANDERSON 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

Witness.

Date 25th August 1943

Rank Lieutenant RCNVR

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

NOTE.—Attestation Form in duplicate, Certificate of Medical Examination (B-207) in duplicate, Occupational History Form in triplicate and certificates of previous service are to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters immediately after attestation.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after examination.

Unemployment Ins. Book ... Yes

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Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN" at sea.
Name Stewart William ANDERSON (Christian names in full)
Rank of Rating Ordinary Seaman Official No. V-69461 (If unknown, date of first entry)
Place of Birth Bothwell, Ontario Date of Birth 20 December, 1924.
Occupation in Civil Life Accountant Religion Methodist
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) Active Service 6 Dec., 1943 - 24 Nov., 1
Date of Death 24 November, 1944. Place of Death At sea.
Cause of Death Enemy action. Ship lost at sea. (If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)
Nearest known relative or friend. Name Gladys Anderson Relationship Mother Address Mt. Brydges, Ontario.
Date on which the above was informed by Ship Not known.
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
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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.

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A IIR M A I L N.S.V-69461 PERS. (N)

7 December, 1944.

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Dear Mrs. Anderson:

Further to my letter of the 29th of November, 1944, details of the disaster in which your son has been reported missing are now being released.

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", a Royal Canadian Navy corvette, was lost while on operational duty at sea. Seven officers, including her Captain, Lieutenant W. J. Jones, R.C.N.R., and seventy-eight ratings are missing. The bodies of five other ratings have been recovered and identified. There are no known survivors.

It is requested that you will regard this information as confidential until an official announcement is made.

May I again express sincere sympathy with you in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Gladys Anderson, Mt. Brydges, Ontario. DS: 11

AIR MAIL

N.S. V-69461 PERS. (N)

/ February, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Anderson:

Further to my letter of the 7th of December, 1944, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your son Stewart William Anderson, Ordinary Seaman, Official Number V-69461, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", 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 24th of November, 1944.

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,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Gladys Anderson, Mt. Brydges, Ontario.

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Despatched by Sec. N. B.

Date 15. 2. 45 Time 1800

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N. S. V-69461 PERS. (N) "N" 5.

, 30 August, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Anderson:

Further to my letter of the 15th of February, 1945, the Department is now able to release additional information regarding the loss of your son's ship and I am accordingly passing on the following particulars which will, no doubt, be of interest to you.

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN" sailed from Sydney, N.S., on the 24th of November, 1944, to escort a merchant ship to Port Aux Basques, Newfoundland, and arrived off Port Aux Basques that night. In accordance with orders she was then to carry out a patrol in the area for the duration of the night, after which she was to meet the same merchant ship the next morning and return with her to Sydney.

The merchant ship arrived in Sydney unescorted on the night of the 25th of November and after it was ascertained that "Shawinigan" had not appeared at the designated rendezvous to provide escort as instructed, searches were instituted and "Shawinigan" was discovered to be missing.

It was the opinion of the Department at the time that the ship had been torpedoed by an enemy submarine during the night of the 24th/25th of November, 1944, as submarines were known to be operating in that area; and this has since been confirmed from German evidence. Although no survivors were found, a few bodies were recovered by later searches, due to tidal movements, some distance from the area in which "Shawinigan" was known to be operating. As a result, the position of the sinking can not be exactly ascertained, although from German evidence and the Department's computation, it is estimated to be in the vicinity of the three mile limit off Channel Head, near Port Aux Basques. Newfoundland.

Yours sincerely.

Despatched by Sec. N. B.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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See also N.S.S. 1156-331/93

Mrs. Gladys Anderson. Mount Brightes, Ont.

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