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Yours faithfully,

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No.

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273638

Oliver Percy

Administrative and Special Duties

13th December, 1941.

Pilot Officer

Flying Officer Flight Lieutenant

Flight Lieutenant

9th January, 1946. On demobilisation.

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Eligible for Returned from Active Service Badge.

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# STATUTORY DECLARATION.

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Form P/P. 70. (August, 1939.)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.
GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.
Application for a Commission in EQUIPMENT BRANCH. (NAV.
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R.A.A.F. Form P/P 29.
(Revised Sept., 1943.)

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For R.A.A.F. HQ. use only

Surname OCKENDEN (In Capitals)

Christian Names Oliver Percy

Personal Number 273638

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Queensland.

\*To be supplied by Unit Medical Officer.

## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Reporting officers must be fully conversant with the orders relating to confidential reports. The following instructions are intended only as a guide.
- 2. Form P/P 29 is to be rendered on the following occasions in respect of the personnel indicated:-

(i) Commissioned Personnel (Except R.A.A.F. Nursing Service).

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

- (a) On posting from a unit to which the officer has been posted for three months or more (except in respect of personnel undergoing training courses).
- (b) On 30th June in each year, unless within the preceding six months the officer has been posted to the unit on whose strength he is borne as at 30th June.

(ii) Airmen and Airwomen.

To accompany an application for a commission or in the case of non-commissioned aircrew (where application is not made) to accompany recommendation for a commission. The form is not required in respect of airmen who are recommended for a commission at the conclusion of their aircrew training at Service Flying Training School, Bombing and Gunnery School, etc.

(iii) Trainees at School of Administration.

At the conclusion of a course at the School of Administration to be completed in respect of airmen and airwomen.

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N.B. Part II of the form is not to be completed in respect of trainees at the School of Administration.

(i) The following instructions in this paragraph so far as they specify the reporting officers, do not apply to assessments in respect of airmen and airwomen who apply for a commission. In respect of such personnel this form will be completed by the officers and in the manner specified in the orders relating to applications for commissions by airmen and airwomen.

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(ii) The assessment contained in Parts I and II and the statement contained in Part III (paras. 15-19 incl.) will be made by an assessing officer who will normally be the officer commanding the individual who is the subject of the report. Thus in a unit such as a Flying Training School or an Aircraft Depot, which is divided into subordinate units such as Intermediate Training Squadron, Workshop Squadron, etc., the assessing officer will, in respect of personnel within the subordinate unit, be the officer commanding the subordinate unit. If the report is to be made in respect of the officer commanding a subordinate unit, and in the cases of units which are not subdivided into subordinate units, such as Operational Squadrons, the assessing officer will be the Commanding Officer.

(iii) After completion by the subordinate commander, the report will be passed on to the Commanding Officer, who in the space provided (para. 20) will indicate his concurrence or disagreement.

(iv) If the C.O. concurs in the report, he may if he thinks it desirable in order to render the report complete or adequate, add further comments in the space allotted for that purpose, but such comment will, of course, be consistent with the assessments of the subordinate commander.

(v) If the C.O. disagrees with the report he will not obliterate the assessments of the subordinate commander and he will add his report at para. 20.

(vi) Sub-paragraphs (iii), (iv) and (v) of this paragraph will not be applicable when the Commanding Officer is the

add his report at para. 20.
(vi) Sub-paragraphs (iii), (iv) and (v) of this paragraph will not be applicable when the Commanding Officer is the Assessing Officer.
(vii) Where the subject of the report is a Commanding Officer of a unit under the immediate control of an area or group, the A.O.C. will be the assessing officer.
(viii) (a) Officers of the Medical Branch will be assessed as regards proficiency in duty (para. 12, Part II) only by an officer of the Medical Branch, who will be, where it is necessary to assess the senior station or unit medical officer, the P.M.O. of the appropriate group or area. Group and area P.M.O.'s and medical officer members of their staffs will be assessed by D.G.M.S., as will be also members of the staff of the Medical Directorate of Air Force Headquarters.
(b) Similar provisions as to those set out in sub-paragraph (a) will apply to dental officers.

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  (c) Where the officer to be assessed is a chaplain he will be assessed in respect of proficiency in duty by his Commanding Officer, which assessment will be submitted through Group or Area Headquarters to the appropriate staff chaplain at Air Force Headquarters for his further assessment (to be made in red ink) should such appear to him to be necessary.

  (ix) All reports emanating from units will be signed on behalf of the Group or Area Headquarters in the space provided for that purpose at para. 21. Remarks will be made on behalf of the group or area only if thought necessary. The appropriate individual to sign on behalf of Group or Area Headquarters will be the senior staff officer whose function it is to supervise within the group or area duties of the nature performed by the individual, the subject of the report. the subject of the report.
- 4. (α) The assessments in Parts I and II are to be made by inserting a cross in the brackets opposite the one statement in each of paragraphs 1-11 inclusive in Part I, and 12-14 inclusive in Part II, which best describe the individual
  - (b) The questions and comments which are printed in italics as a heading to each one of the above-mentioned paragraphs are inserted only for the purpose of directing the assessing officer's mind to the matters which he should consider before proceeding to each assessment.

5. (a) In arriving at an assessment in respect of commissioned personnel the assessing officer shall consider the subject of the report in the light of his temporary rank, irrespective of seniority in that rank. Thus, in assessing a Pilot Officer under the heading "Proficiency in Duty, etc." in Part II, the Pilot Officer's ability will not be assessed by comparison with that of a Flight Lieutenant, but by comparison with that of other Pilot Officers.
(b) However, in arriving at an assessment in respect of non-commissioned aircrew who are recommended for a commission, the Assessing Officer will not assess by comparison with the standard which is expected of an airman of the rank or seniority of the subject of the report, but will bear in mind that the subject of the report is to be assessed as a potential officer and will accordingly make his standard of assessment that which is expected of an average officer. average officer.

(c) An airman or airwoman who applies for a commission will be assessed in accordance with the standards specified in the orders relating to application for such commissions.

6. Adverse reports on officers must be initialled by the individual subject to the report before his departure from the unit.

# PART I (Include in ALL Reports)

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	What sort of first impression does he make? Does he look a well set up, erect person? Is he well groomed or slovenly? Smart or slack, attractive or unattractive in bearing? This applies not only on parade. Observe in mess, at games, off duty.  Careless in dress and bearing  Pays some regard to appearance but unimpressive  Passable, the average ordinary-looking individual Createss a distinctly favourable impression. Neat and smart  Most impressive. Stands out among his fellows  []	TEMPERANCE:  Observe on duty, in mess and off duty. Temperance is not to be confused with teetotalism.  Chronic inebriate
	4. How readily does he grasp the meaning of a question or appreciate a situation? Is he slow to apprehend even the more obvious points, or is he adaptable and quick to grasp essentials even where a problem may be unfamiliar and involved or difficult?  Exceptionally keen and quick on the uptake [] Adaptable and quick in grasping question and new ideas [] Catches on easily without too much explanation A plodder, but slow to appreciate subtle points [] Slow and confused in understanding []	POWER OF EXPRESSION:  Some men express themselves directly and convincingly, communicating their ideas whether spoken or written clearly and readily. Others fail either because they have too poor a command of the language or because they are too wordy.  Incoherent, Does not make himself clear []  Has a tendency to ramble and become involved or is somewhat hesitant and inarticulate []  Usually gets his ideas across []  Shows superior ability to express himself []  Most forceful and convincing []
	5. SELF-CONFIDENCE:  Does he seem to be uncertain of himself, hesitant and lacking in assurance, easily bluffed? Or is he wholesomely self-confident and assured? Has he the courage of his convictions?  Timid, self-conscious, easily subdued Uncertain of himself, lacks force or tries to bluff [] Sufficient self-assurance, does not back down too easily Wholesomely self-confident and decisive [] Over-confident, tends to rash decision []	INITIATIVE:  Consider his ability to go ahead with work without being told every detail and to make practical suggestions for doing work in a better way.  Needs constant direction, rarely capable of independent decision  Performs routine work satisfactorily after instruction  Satisfactory, displays minor constructive ability  Resourceful in solving problems or overcoming difficulties  Reveals outstanding foresight and constructiveness in his work  []
	7. EMOTIONAL STABILITY:  How well poised is he emotionally? Is he touchy, sensitive to criticism, easily upset? Is he irritated or impatient when things go wrong? Is he steady and self-controlled?  Excitable, loses his head easily [] Somewhat moody or capricious [] Fairly well balanced, cool-headed Retains balance and judgment under most adverse and disconcerting circumstances []	ENERGY:  Some put very little effort into their work, others may work in tremendous spurts and then wilt, others are consistently energetic. Consider energy and application to work day in and day out.  Indifferent, half-hearted, lacks interest  Does no more than he is required to do  Output of work steady and satisfactory  Industrious and vigorous, shows willingness to do  more than average amount of work  Unusually energetic, most productive
	9. DEPENDABILITY:  Consider how dependable he is. Watch for the "buck passer," the one with the ready excuse.  Too irresponsible to be entrusted with important duties  Somewhat slack in the performance of his duties [1]  Reasonably responsible in routine and minor matters [1]  Completely dependable for the performance of all ordinary duties  Can always be relied upon to do his work regardless of difficulty [1]	CO-OPERATION:  Consider how well he works with a group. Does he give whole-hearted support to a common cause? Does he display active interest in unit affairs?  Not co-operative. Difficult Constrained and self-centred, but co-operates under pressure Somewhat reserved and formal, but does co-operate Keen to co-operate Definitely promotes harmony and goodwill
	11. LEADERSHIP:  Consider the extent to which others have confidence in him and follow his direction.  Does not carry much weight with his fellows []  Quite content to be a follower and let others take the lead []	Can lead in minor affairs []  Can lead in important affairs []  Skilful in directing others, inspires confidence and commands respect—a born leader []
THE REAL PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY AND	PART I Part II not to be completed in respect of Trainees at School of A  DUTIES UPON WHICH AT PRESENT ENGAGED:  N.B. State not only the general nature of duties, but also brief, precise details—e.g.  Flying duties  (G/R operation (Service Instruments)	onal) or uctor) or
	12. PROFICIENCY IN DUTIES UPON WHICH ENGAGED:  Consider how proficient he is in the discharge of his duties.  Exceptional—stands out unmistakably in the performance of his duties  Superior—knows his work and does it well  Not outstanding—does his work as well as the average  Slightly below average  Slightly below average  Inferior—poorly qualified—below standard  14. SERVICE KNOWLEDGE:  Surpasses others both in scope of Service knowledge	ADMINISTRATIVE ABILITY:  Consider the extent to which he displays organising and supervising ability.  Outstanding organiser—produces excellent results promptly  Organises effectively and gets things done well  Moderately capable in routine manner  Somewhat inferior—does not organise things very well  Confused in carrying out his work—busy without accomplishment  Moderately well informed and steadily qualifying for greater responsibility  Somewhat deficient in Service knowledge, but
	and in ability to keep up to date []  Sound Service knowledge and systematically strives	slowly improving Deficient in Service knowledge and makes little



# PART III (Include in ALL Reports)

# ASSESSING OFFICER'S STATEMENT

15. Any special remarks or observations not covered by this assessment:—
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16. State any special qualifications for employment other than that on which engaged or alternative employment for which better suited:—
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17. If an airman or airwoman, record hereunder any entries on conduct sheets. If none, write "Nil."
18. (Applicable only to airmen and airwomen.)
Strike out the inapplicable portions:—  Strike out the inapplicable portions:—  SPECIALLY PECOMMENDED  SPECIALLY PECOMMENDED
19. This assessment is made from my personal knowledge of the individual concerned.
Unit 56. O. Bas wis Phill arkin Sphallie, Rank and Appointment
Date 12 Sep '45 (G.L. NIARTIN F/LT) of Assessing Officer.

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# PART III (cont.) COMMANDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT



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