

Medical category *A*

124886

Regiment
or Corps

Christian Names *LAURENCE ROY*

Surname *BRADFORD*

Serial Number on
Index Card.

Recorded Address

Lynton House, Lynton, Devon
Ex-Compton, Devon, Devon

(1.)

WHERE

EDUCATED

(a) Schools *Barnstaple Grammar School*

(b) University

or Technical College

Date of Birth *27.7.16*

Place of Birth *Barnstaple*

Religious Denomination

NATIONALITY

OF

Officer *ENGLISH*

Officer's Father *ENGLISH*

„ Mother *ENGLISH*

(2.)

Name and Address of Next-of-kin or Guardian, other than Wife
(for reference in case of emergency)

Relationship

Name and Address of Officer's Bankers or Agents

Barclays Bank Ltd. Barnstaple, Devon.

(3.)

If Married, Name of Wife

Date of Marriage

Names of Children living

Date of Birth

Sex

(4.)

Schools and Courses of Instruction

Place

From

To

Result

Authority

(5.) Examinations for
Promotion

Date

Result

Whether gained
Special Certificate

167 O.C.T.V

Command Central Gymnasium.

1 Corps Pl. Cadet School.

45 Div M.C.O.s Course

ALDERSHOT

SHORNCLIFFE.

Lincoln.

WAKEFIELD.

10.11.39

3.7.40.

12.1.41.

30.1.41

9.3.40

23.7.40.

24.1.41.

12.2.41

above average

above average

above average

(6.)

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

(a) Foreign Languages ...

(b) Knowledge of Foreign Countries ...

(c) Business Qualifications ...

(d) Legal Qualifications (giving particulars) ...

(f) Any special knowledge or experience not included
in (a) to (e)

4 years Architect. Surveyor's Articles
Septil. 2 years chief assistant.
Probationer Royal Institute British Architects
& past Fellow R.I.B.A.

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3.7.40.
12.1.41.
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23.7.40.
24.1.41.
12.2.41

Spent 3 years
—
at the Army School

(6.) SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

(a) Foreign Languages ...	(f) Any special knowledge or experience not included in (a) to (e)
(b) Knowledge of Foreign Countries ...	
(c) Business Qualifications ...	
(d) Legal Qualifications (giving particulars) ...	
(e) Professional or Artistic qualifications or degrees, or Membership, etc., of Learned Society ...	

4 years Architect • Surveyor's Articles
2 years chief assistant.
Probationer Royal Institute British Architects
+ part Inter R.I.B.A.

Probationer R.I.B.A., part Inter R.I.B.A

(7.) Campaigns	Period		(9.) \$ Honours and Rewards, including Mentions in Despatches	Date of Gazette or other Authority
	From	To		
			1939-45 Star. France Germany Star. Defence Medal War Medal 1939-45	
(8) Wounds and Nature	Place and Date	Pension or Gratuity		

1939-45 Star.
France Germany Star.
Defence Medal
War Medal 1939-45

STARS/ CLASPS
4 OCT 1948.
MEDALS ISSUED

S/Capt.
THE WAR OFFICE,
A.G.4. (MEDALS)
14 JAN 1948

(10.) PARTICULARS OF SERVICE, RECORD OF MOVEMENTS, APPOINTMENTS, ETC. (Promotions will be shown in para. (12)).

Station

Date

Authority

Appointed 2/Lieut (Emergency Commission) 9-3-40.
and posted Infantry Training Centre Devonshire Regiment.

Joined Infantry Training Centre Devonshire Regiment for duty.

Posted to 6th Bn. The Devonshire Regiment for Duty.

Posted this H.Q. Auxiliary Units as Scout Officer w.e.f. 7 June. 1942

REINQUISSES APPOINTMENT AS SCOUT OFFICER
APPOINTED INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. HQ. AUXILIARY UNITS.

Attached 1 SAS Regt

Ind addl pay (parachute)

Transferred Army Air Corps

Emplaned UK.

Disemplaned N.W. Europe.

Killed in Action

Exeter.

23-3-40.

W.O. Letter.
112/Gen/4552
A.G.2(0).

BATTLE.

1.6.40

P/124881/A42(0)

G.O. Highworth.

9. June 42

HFUM. H.F.4667/A
6/may/42

6 JULY 43

W.O. 1/1011
A.G.2 (0) of 29 JULY 43

Manchins

8 FEB 44

Home

8.2.44

—

1.4.44

W.O. 20/MAY 44 93(A42(B)) of 28.3.44

N.W.E.

21.6.44

2E21/6/44

N.W.E.

20.7.44

2E21/10/44

(11.)

Country

From

To

Period

Home

Abroad

Years

Days

Years

Days

(12.)

Promotions

Rank

Date

Authority

LIEUT

Acting Paid Captain

TEMPORARY CAPTAIN

W/LIEUT.

A/CAPT

PROV T/CAPT

9.9.41

6.7.43

6.04.43.

8.2.44

25.5.44

W.O.O.

W.O.O.

W.O.O.

W.O.O.

W.O.O.

W.O.O.

(11.) Country	From	To	Period				(12.) Promotions		
			Home		Abroad		Rank	Date	Authority
			Years	Days	Years	Days			
							LIEUT. Acting Paid Captain TEMPORARY CAPTAIN W/LIEUT. A/CAPT & RAN T/CAPT	9-9-41 6-7-43 6-02-43 8-2-44 25-6-44	W.O.O. W.O.O. 21 AGP LIST 22/44 - - - 29/44
(13.) FINDING OF MEDICAL BOARDS AS TO FITNESS FOR GENERAL DUTY WITH REGIMENT OR CORPS						Date	Place where held and Authority	Sick leave granted	
								From	To

Statement of
Services of:—

Army No. 5620500

Christian
Names Laurence Roy

Surname BRADFORD
(BLOCK CAPITALS)

Enlisted at <u>Barnstaple</u>		on <u>24.4.39</u>		Date of Birth As shown on attestation. <u>27.7.16.</u>	Particulars of Will.
				Age (in years) on Enlistment <u>22</u>	
Nature of Engagement (including variations in terms of service after enlistment).		Corps or Regiment.	Service towards limited engagement reckons from	Trade on Enlistment	
<u>TA 4</u>		<u>DEVON REGT</u>	<u>24.4.39</u>	Education on Enlistment	
			Former service in the	Nationality <u>English</u>	
			Allowed to reckon as:—	Religion	
			"Service." Years	"Qualifying Service." Years	
			Days	Days	

No. of Part II Order or other Authority.	Unit.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank.	Dates.	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing rate of pension. Years Days	Authenti- cating Signature or Initials.	Certificates of Education.					
							Part II. Order.	Class.	Subjects.	Date of Award.	Authenticating Signature or Initials.	
<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Attested & Posted</u>	<u>Pte</u>	<u>24.4.39</u>		<u>CR</u>						
<u>48/39</u>		<div>EMBODIED - 2 SEP 1939 J. L. M. D. C. S. S. S. O. NO RECORDS. COLONEL.</div>				<u>CR</u>						
<u>41 sheet 12</u>		<u>ATTENDED ANNUAL CAMP</u> <u>for... 8... days... 1939 year.</u>				<u>CR</u>						
		<u>ABSENT WITH LEAVE FROM</u> <u>ANNUAL CAMP ... 1 day Year ... 1939...</u>				<u>CR</u>						
<u>54</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>Appointed.</u>	<u>A/L Cpl</u>	<u>1.9.39.</u>		<u>CR</u>						
<u>68</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>Granted pay of appt.</u>	<u>A/L Cpl</u>	<u>1.9.39</u>		<u>CR</u>						
<u>70</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>Posted.</u>	<u>A/L Cpl</u>	<u>10.11.39</u>		<u>CR</u>						
<u>20/40</u>	<u>167th Officer Cadet Training Unit</u>	<u>Discharged under para. 383</u> <u>(xvii), K R. (having been</u> <u>appointed to a commission).</u>	<u>— " —</u>	<u>9 MAR 1940</u>		<u>CR</u>						
		<u>Military Conduct: - Very Good.</u>				<u>CR</u>						
		<u>Address on Discharge: -</u> <u>Lytton House, Castle St.</u> <u>Barnstaple.</u>				<u>CR</u>						

Military History Sheet.					
Service at Home and Abroad.					
Country.	Service to count as British or Indian.	From	To	Length of Service.	
				Years	Days
<u>Home</u>	<u>British</u>	<u>24.4.39</u>	<u>1.9.39</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131</u>
<u>"</u>	<u>Embodied</u>	<u>2.9.39</u>	<u>9.3.40</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190</u>
<u>Total.</u>				<u>-</u>	<u>321</u>

7 A		4		DEVON REGT		24-K-39		Allowed to reckon as:— "Service." "Qualifying Service." Years Years Days Days		Nationality English Religion				
No. of Part II Order or other Authority.	Unit.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Army Rank.	Dates.	Service not allowed to reckon for fixing rate of pension.		Authenti- cating Signature or Initials.	Certificates of Education.						
					Years	Days		Part II. Order.	Class.	Subjects.	Date of Award.	Authenticating Signature or Initials.		
16	6	Attested & Posted * EMBODIED - 2 SEP 1939 1.2.4. Deane Sq. O. NO RECORDS. COLONEL.	Plt	24.4.39			Ch.							
41 sheet 12	12	* ATTENDED ANNUAL CAMP for...8...days...1939...year. ABSENT WITH LEAVE FROM 8/39 to 13/39 ANNUAL CAMP1 day Year.....1939...												
54 6 th 68 6 th 40 167th Officer Cadet Training Unit		Appointed. Granted pay of appt. Posted.	A/L Cpl A/L Cpl A/L Cpl	1.9.39 1.9.39 10.11.39										
20/40		Discharged under para. 383 (xvii), K.R. (having been appointed to a commission).	— " —	9 MAR 1940										
Military Conduct:— Very Good.								Military History Sheet.						
Address on Discharge:— Lynton House, Castle St. Barnstaple.								Service at Home and Abroad.						
								Country.	Service to count as British or Indian.	From	To	Length of Service.		
								Home	British	24.4.39	1.9.39	—	131 ✓	
								"	" Embodied	2.9.39	9.3.40	—	190	
								Total.				—	321	
Total														
Total Service towards Engagement to 9 MAR 1940 (date of discharge) — Years 321 Days.														
" " " Pension " — Years 190 Days.														

N.B.—The Country only to be shewn.—It is not necessary to shew separately the service in the different stations of the same country. England, Scotland and Ireland to be shewn under the general term "Home."
For mode of computing service abroad see King's Regulations.
Note.—Service reckoning as Indian Service to be inserted in Red Ink.

L.P.

Statement of Services—(continued).

Campaigns (including Actions).	Authenticating Signature or Initials.
Wounded.	
Effects of Wounds.	
Special Instances of Gallant Conduct and mentions in Despatches.	
Medals and Decorations, Clasps and Annuities.	
Injuries in or by the Service.	
Full Name and Address of Next of Kin and Relationship.	

N.	Name of Society	County of London Approved.	Date Contribution
H.	Branch	N.C.H. H.M. 172, Friendly Institution Agency.	Cards sent to
I.	Membership No.		Ministry of Health.
			01807-98 ² / ₂₀

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Wounded.

Effects of Wounds.

Special Instances of Gallant Conduct and mentions in Despatches.

Medals and Decorations, Clasps and Annuities.

Injuries in or by the Service.

Full Name and Address of Next of Kin and Relationship.

Total ...

Total Service towards Engagement to.....(date of discharge).....Years.....Days.

" " " Pension to.....Years.....Days.

N. { Name of Society *County of London Approved.*
H. { Branch *M.H. Home, Friendly Institution Agency.*
I. { Membership No.

Date Contribution
Cards sent to
Ministry of Health.
01847-19/20

Particulars of Woman to whom married:—

(a) Christian names. (c) Nationality.
(b) Surname. (d) Spinster, Widow or Divorcee.

Date and Place
of Marriage.

Date of
Recording.

Date of being placed on
or taken off Married
Establishment.

Date of
Recording.

PARTICULARS
OF MARRIAGE.

(a)

(b)

(c)

*(d)

* In the case of a Widow or a Divorcee, Maiden and previous married
name to be included.

Sex.
(M. or F.)

Christian Names
(In the case of stepchildren, adopted children, etc.,
surnames also).

Date and Place of Birth.

Date of Recording.

PARTICULARS
OF CHILDREN.

If so, the recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, all certificates issued on Discharge, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz. :—(Name).....enlisted in the Territorial Army on the (Date).....

NOTE.—Royal Naval, Marine or Air Force certificates are not to be endorsed



ADP

Army Form E 501.

ORIGINAL

DUPLICATE

The Attesting Officer will strike out the word "Original" on the Duplicate Attestation, and the word "Duplicate" on the Original Attestation.

TERRITORIAL ARMY.

Four years' Service.

ATTESTATION OF

No. 5626500 Name BRADFORD LAWRENCE ROY Corps DEVON REGT.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. What is your full name and permanent postal address ? | 1. <u>LAWRENCE ROY</u>
(Christian Names)
<u>BRADFORD</u>
(Surname)
<u>LYNTON HOUSE CASTLE ST.</u>
(Address) |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born ? | 2. In the Parish of <u>BARNSTAPLE</u>
In or near the Town of <u>BARNSTAPLE</u>
In the County of <u>DEVON</u> |
| 3. (A) Are you a British subject ?
(B) Nationality of parents at their birth | 3. (A) <u>BRITISH</u>
(B) (Father) <u>BRITISH</u> (Mother) <u>BRITISH</u> |
| 4. What is your trade or calling ? | |

Under the provisions of Sections 10 (1) of the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act and 99 of the Army Act, if a person knowingly makes a false answer to any of the following four questions he renders himself liable to punishment.

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| 5. (A) What was your age (in years) last birthday ? | 5. (A) <u>22</u> (years) |
| (B) Day, month and year of birth ? | (B) <u>JULY 27th 1906</u> |
| 6. Are you married, widower or single ? | 6. <u>SINGLE</u> |
| 7. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Air Force, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Supplementary Reserve, the Territorial Force (or Army), the Imperial Yeomanry, the Volunteers, the Auxiliary Air Force, the Army Reserve, the Air Force Reserve, the Militia Reserve, or any Naval Reserve Force ? If so, state particulars of ALL engagements. | 7. <u>NO</u> |
| 8. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous service ? | 8. <u>YES</u> |
| 9. Are you willing to be attested for service in the Territorial Army for the term of four years* (provided His Majesty should so long require your services) for the County of <u>DEVON</u> to serve in the <u>DEVONSHIRE REGT.</u> and to be posted to <u>6th BN</u> ? | 9. <u>YES</u> |
| 10. Have you received a notice paper (Army Form E501A) stating the liabilities you are incurring by enlisting, and do you understand and are you willing to accept them ? | 10. <u>YES</u> |

* A W.O., N.C.O., or man will be discharged on reaching the age laid down for discharge in paragraph 210, Territorial Army Regulations, 1936, unless retention is specially sanctioned.
† Here insert County. ‡ Here insert Corps. § Here insert Unit.

I, LAWRENCE ROY BRADFORD, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

L.R. Bradford SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.
Ch. D. Smith Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, LAWRENCE ROY BRADFORD, swear by Almighty God that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Sixth, His Heirs, and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity against all enemies, according to the conditions of my service.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

I, B. C. Smith, do hereby certify that, in my presence, all the foregoing Questions were put to the Recruit above-named, that the Answers written opposite to them are those which he gave to me, and that he has made and signed the Declaration, and taken the oath at BARNSTAPLE on this 24 day of

APRIL 1937

B. C. Smith
Sgt. B. C. SMITH, DEVONSHIRE REGIMENT

Signature of Justice of the Peace, Officer, or other person authorized to attest Recruits.

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, a Justice of the Peace should be requested to make it and initial the alteration under Section 80 (6), Army Act. No other manuscript alteration to this Form will be valid unless authorized by Special War Office Instructions.

The Recruit should receive a Certified copy of his Attestation on Army Form E 501A.

IDENTIFICATION OF L R BRADFORD ON ENLISTMENT.

Apparent Age 18 years 8 months
(To be determined according to the instructions given in the Regulations for Army Medical Services).

Height ... 5 ft 10 ins.

Weight ... 150 lbs.

Chest measurement } Girth when fully expanded ... 36 ins.
Range of expansion ... 33 ins.

Complexion ... FRESH

Eyes ... BLUE

Hair ... BROWN

Religious denomination [REDACTED]

* Precise denomination to be entered, viz., Church of England, Presbyterian (including Church of Scotland, United Free Church of Scotland, Free Church of Scotland, Presbyterian Church of England, Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and Presbyterian Church of Wales or the Calvinistic Methodist Church of Wales), Roman Catholic, Methodist (including Wesleyan, Primitive Methodist or United Methodist), † Baptist, † Congregationalist, Jewish or other denomination stated by the recruit.

† Comprising the United Army Board.

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease.

(Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the Recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges to any previous service, attach a slip to that effect, for the information of the Approving Officer).

Certificate of Medical Examination.

I have examined the above-named Recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations. He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him* Fit for the Territorial Army.

Date 25.4 1939

Place 25.4.39

* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

R. N. Bryant
Medical Officer.

NOTE.—Should the Medical Officer consider the Recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing certificate only in the case of those who have been attested and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness.

Certificate of Primary Military Examination.

I hereby certify that the above-named Recruit was inspected by me, and I consider him* FIT for service in the DEVONSHIRE REGIMENT and that due care has been exercised in his enlistment.

Date 24.4 1939

Place BARNSTAPLE

* Insert here "fit" or "unfit."

A. C. B. Noble Lieut for
Adjutant 5th Bn Devon Regiment } Recruiting Officer.

† Insert the "Regiment" or "Corps."

* Certificate of Approving Officer.

I certify that this attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the† DEVONSHIRE REGIMENT.

If enlisted by special authority, Army Form B203 (or other authority for the enlistment) will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 24.4.39 19

Place BARNSTAPLE

A. C. B. Noble Lieut for
Adjutant 5th Bn Devon Regiment } Approving Officer.

* The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.

† Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

STATEMENT of the SERVICES of No..... Name A. R. BRADFORD
including Annual Training in Camp,† and when mobilized, etc.

No. of Part II Order or other Authority	Unit	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, Annual Training in Camp, etc.	Rank	From	To	Signature of Officers certifying correct- ness of Entries.
Service towards engagement reckons from (date) <u>24. 4. 39</u>						
	DEVON	<u>attestation</u>		<u>24. 4. 39</u>		<u>A. R. Noble</u> Adjutant 6th Bn. Devon Regt.
		PRESENT ANNUAL TRAINING		<u>30. 7. 39</u>	<u>6. 8. 39</u>	
		LEAVE ANNUAL TRAINING		<u>7. 8. 39</u>	<u>15. 8. 39</u>	
	<u>6th Bn. Devon Regt.</u>	<u>applied for Lt/Capt with effect from 4/9/39</u>		<u>1- 9- 39</u>		<u>6th Bn. DEVONSHIRE REGIMENT.</u>
		EMBODIED		<u>2. 9. 39</u>		
	<u>4/39</u>	<u>167th Officer Cadet Training Unit</u>		<u>10. 11. 39</u>		
Discharged under paragraph 383 section VI (xvii) K.R's 1935. having been appointed to a commission.						
<u>CC1 Confirmed</u> CAPTAIN & ADJT, 167 OFFICER CADET TRAINING UNIT.						

Total service towards engagement in the Territorial Army to 9- 3- 40 (date of
discharge) — years 321 days.

CHARACTER
V.G.

Discharged on (Date) 9 MAR 1940 in consequence of† Discharged under para. 383 (xvii) K.R. (having been appointed to a commission).

The discharge of the above-named man is hereby confirmed
Station ASHFORD Middlesex
Date 9 MAR 1940 19.....
Signature [Signature]
(To be completed by Officer competent to confirm discharge).

† In the case of Annual Training it will be sufficient to state if " Present " or " Absent " and the year.
‡ Insert cause of discharge and Sub-Para of T.A. Regulations (or King's Regulations when applicable) quoting any special authority.

MILITARY HISTORY SHEET.

1. Service.

Place.	From	To	Years.	Days.
HOME	24. 4. 39	1. 9. 39	—	131.
FREEDIED	2. 9. 39	9-3-40	—	190.

Initials of Officer
making the entry.

- 2. Passed classes of Instruction ...**
This includes any authorized class of instruction.

- ### 3. Campaigns (including actions)

4. Wounded ...

- ## 5. Effect of wounds

- ### 6. Special instances of gallant conduct and mentions in Dispatches.

- ### 7. Medals and Decorations, Clasps, and Annuities

- ## 8. Injuries in or by the Service ...

9. Name, Address & Relationship of Next of kin ...
(This entry has no effect as a will).

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