

AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES

43rd Bn DENTAL B' CLASS

CAPTAIN A.M.C. 25 SEP 1916

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD

No. 4740 Name BRANSON LESLIE VIVIAN
 Unit 13/32 INF. 43rd Bn
 Joined on AUG 21 1916

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... Leslie Vivian Branson
2. In the Parish of _____ in or near the Town of Prospect in the County of South Australia
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural Born
4. What is your age? ... 19 1/2 years
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Consent Attached Clerk
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... (MOTHER) BRANSON EMMA MAUD MRS 22 INILSON STREET PROSPECT SOUTH AUSTRALIA
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 4 years serving batt. 80 B Trans to Victoria Force 80th Inf. Still serving
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of a widowed mother) Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach 8/- per day? ... Yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... Yes

I, Leslie Vivian Branson do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife* + wife and children three-fifths

Date AUG 21 1916

L. V. Branson
Signature of Person Enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Description of Leslie Duncan Branson on Enlistment

Age 19 years 8 months
Height 5 feet 7 inches
Weight 140 lbs.
Chest Measurement 34 1/2 - 37 1/2 inches
Complexion Fresh
Eyes Blue
Hair Brown
Religious Denomination Congregational

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Nis R 1/6 L 1/6
Nacc. Nil

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 8. 9. 16

Place ADELAIDE.

[Signature]
Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to 13/32 INF.

Date 22 JUN 1917

Place At Miltham Camp

[Signature] Lieut.
O. C. 13/32 INFANTRY.
Commanding

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CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

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DENTAL CLASS

For Lt. Colonel RAMP A.M.C.
25 SEP 1916

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 4940 Name BRANSON LESLIE VIVIAN
Unit 13/32 INF.
Joined on AUG 21 1916

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestment

1. What is your Name? ... Leslie Vivian Branson
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... Prospect
in the County of South Australia
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural Born
4. What is your Age? ... 19 1/2 years
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... 6 level
6. Are you, or have you been an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... Mother, BRANSON EMMA MAEST. nrs 22 WILSON STREET PROSPECT SOUTH AUSTRALIA
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... 3/- No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of Discharge ... 8 years of Cadets 80th Trans to City in force 80th Reg Steel Johnny
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of Widowed mother)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach the per day? ... No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... yes

I, Leslie Vivian Branson do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children

Date AUG 21 1916 Signature of Person Enlisted. L. V. Branson

* This Clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted to the wife.

Statement of Service No. 18740 Name Branson L.P.

Unit in which served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
"A" Coy N.C.O. S/OOL MITCHELL 19/27.	Pvt	21-8-16	16-10-16	
		16-10-16	31-10-16	
		6-11-16	15-12-16	
	Private	16-12-16	15/1/17	
"A" Coy Base	Cpl	16-1-17	23/2/17	
"C" Coy Base	Spl	1/3/17	5-4-17	c/o 46/2
13/32nd	Spl	4/4/17		
EMBARKED 23/6/1917		At ADELAIDE		
32nd Bn	"Borda" A/corporal. Voops	23-6-17	24-8-17	22-6-17 4th Bn 129/1000 Account Bk 1/17/1917
"	Pte.	25-8-17	13-9-17	4th " " 117/1917
"	A/capt.	14-9-17	17-12-17	Account Bk 126/1917
"	Private	18-12-17		
43rd Bn	Pte.		27-1-19	Prom G.O 34/75/19 30
✓ ✓ ✓	71/corporal.	28-1-19	30-1-19	30/120/23/1919
"	SR/Cpl.	1-5-19		
43rd Bn SR/Cpl.	Discharged	H. M.D.	4 P.E. 9/2/20	M 48/36 5/1

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

Wilson Street.
Prospect
Aug. 8. 1916.

Recruiting Officer.
Adelaide:

I hereby give my consent to my
son, Leslie Vivian, enlisting for
active service.

Yours faithfully
Emma Maud Braddon.

DMR.

Station KESWICK

Date 2.1.20

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MILITARY FORCES.

A.M. Form D2.
(For use in Australia.)
Revised 1.10.18.

MEDICAL REPORT ON AN INVALID.

1. Number 4740 2. Rank Er/Cpl. 3. Name BRANSON L. V.
 4. Unit 43rd BATTN. 5. Age 22 6. Trade or Occupation Clerk
 7. Place of Enlistment Adelaide 7A. Date of Enlistment _____
 8. Disability in respect of which invaliding is proposed Nil

MEDICAL OFFICER'S STATEMENT OF CASE.

(Soldier's own statement must be carefully recorded as such, and signed by him.)

9. Date and place of origin of disability Not app. Date of arrival "YPIRANGA" 1.1.20
from overseas
 10. Date and place where disability first caused man to become a Casualty Not app.
 11. Essential facts of Medical History (including causation) _____

Gassed August, 1918. Since then has been liable to
colds.

Feels quite well now.

(Sgd.) L. V. Branson

12. State whether disability was (a) Due to Military Service, (b) Aggravated by Military Service, or (c) Independent of Military Service; (d) Due to, or aggravated by, want of proper care on man's part, intemperance, misconduct, &c. Not app.

13. What is his present condition and progress _____

Heart Some increase in pulse rate. No signs of organic disease
 Lungs /
 Urine /
 Scars /

14. If the disability is an injury, state whether it was caused (a) in action, (b) on field service, (c) on duty, (d) off duty Not app.

15. If a Court of Inquiry was held, state place, date, and opinion _____ "

16. Was an operation performed? If so, what? _____ "

17. Was an operation advised and declined? _____ "

18. In the case of loss or decay of teeth—Was it due to, aggravated by, or independent of Military Service? _____ "

19. Give particulars of any other disabilities existing _____ "

20. Do you recommend discharge as permanently unfit for general service? Med. fit

(Sgd.) C. F. Pitcher, Major

" E. Arnold, Major

Medical Officer in charge of case.

I, having satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, concur therewith, except

CONFIRMED. 2.1.20

(Sgd.) A. E. Shepherd, Lt. Col.

P.M.O. 4th M.D. Keswick

Officer in charge of Hospital.

Station _____

Date _____

D.1471/11.18.—C.1202.—1918.

7109

6th September, 1918.

Dear Madam,

In acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, I have to state the cable message reporting your son, No 4740 Private L.V. Branson, 43rd (late 32nd) Battalion, briefly intimated he was suffering from the effects of gas, (classed as wounded), no further particulars being furnished.

His condition is not stated to be serious, however, and in the absence of further reports it can but be assumed he is making satisfactory progress, the practice of the overseas authorities being to notify this Department of any material change in condition.

Letters etc. addressed as previously advised should be forwarded to wherever he may be located at the time of their arrival abroad.

Any later cable reports received will promptly transmitted.

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs E.M. Branson,
22 Wilson Street,
Prospect. S.Aust.

M. J. P.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

A.F. BASE RECORDS OFFICE.
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

MELBOURNE, 12th September 1918.

Dear Madam,
I beg to advise you that Private L.V. Branson, admitted 20/8/18 to Fulham Military hospital, London SW. England. Gassed and Pyrexia of uncertain origin, mild.

His postal address will be—

No 4740. Private L.V. Branson.
43rd Battalion.

Australian Imperial Force,
Abroad.

Don't fail to send change of your address to Base Records, Melbourne.

In the absence of further reports it is to be assumed that satisfactory progress is being maintained, but anything later received will be promptly transmitted, it being clearly understood that if no further advice is forwarded this department has no more information to supply.

Yours faithfully,

J. McLean Major.
Officer in Charge, Base Records.

D.13337.18—C.10083.—409.

43RD BATTALION A.I.F.

#6643/17

CASUALTY FORM—ACTIVE SERVICE. Army Form B. 103.

Regiment or Corps: *43rd Bn*
 Regimental No.: *4740* Rank: *Private* Name: *BRANSON, L.V.*
 Enlisted (a): *21.8.18* Terms of Service (a): *12 months* Service reckons from (a): *21.8.18*
 Date of Promotion to present rank: *21.8.18* Date of appointment to lance rank: *21.8.18* Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.s: *Religion: Cong*
 Extended: *Card 3-1-18* Re-engaged: Qualification (b):

Report Date	From whom Received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
24/6/17	Ob Droops	A 20 HMAT "BORDA" embarked	Adelaide	23/6/17	
	Admin HQ	Pte A/cpt V.O. cpl Disembarked	Plymouth	25.8.17	LR 7814
6.8.17	8th Sig Bn	Reverts to rank on 1st Lt from Aust	Hurdcott	25.8.17	9-17/RJ507
16.8.17	8th Sig Bn	V.O. cpl Reverts to rank on 1st Lt from Aust	Eng	25.8.17	LR 7807 29/9/17
6.10.17	8th Sig Bn	Pte Appointed A/cpl	Hurdcott	14.9.17	LR 8367 6.10.17
28.10.17	8th Sig Bn	A/cpl On command at School of instruction Candahar 13th Sidworth	Hurdcott	22.10.17	LR 948 15.11.17
11.11.17	16th Sig Bn	A/cpl Reverts to rank on 1st Lt from Hurdcott	Goodford	5.11.17	Sub SO 2410 28.10.17 KR 10425
16.12.17	16th Sig Bn	A/cpl Reverts to rank on 1st Lt from Hurdcott	Goodford	16.12.17	999/ E 31.12.17

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shoing Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. [P.T.O.]

Report.		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 26, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place.	Date.	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 26, or other official document.
Date.	From whom Received.				
10	15 th Aug Bn Leaford	Pte PROCEEDING O'BEAS FRANCE by 15 th Aug Bn Leaford To reinforce 43 rd Bn via	Stamptin	18.12.14	0799/ E 31.12.14. L19.145
11	A.L.B.D.	Pte Marched in Ent. England.	Haure	19.12.17	PX13686
12	A.L.B.D.	Marched out to unit.	do	20.12.17	PX13360
13	C.O. 43 rd Bn	Taken on Strength 43 rd Bn.	In the Field.	24.12.17	C22/64 DO 2/143
14	"	To Hospital Sick	"	10.1.18	C22/66 #1026
15	A.F.A.	Adm. (W.M.O.)	"	10.1.18	AA2118/52
16	"	To duty	"	25.1.18	AA2118/91
17	C.O. 43 rd Bn	Rejoin '43 rd Bn.	"	2.2.18	C22/60 #100
18	"	Det to 3rd Div. Wing	"	2.2.18	C22/60
19	"	Rejoin '43 rd Bn.	"	14.2.18	C22/61
20	"	To Hospital Sick	"	23.5.18	C22/66 DO 25/2919
21	A.F.A.	Adm. Influenza	"	23.5.18	
22	"	To C.C.S.	"	23.5.18	AA2602/101
23	S.L.C.S.	Adm. Influenza	"	23.5.18	/132
24	"	To 10 A.I.	"	24.5.18	AA2422/64
25	H.Y. Gen's	Adm. Influenza	Treport	24.5.18	AA2422/62 DO 24/2102
26	"	To C. Dep	"	13.6.18	/144
27	Quar. Dip	Adm. Influenza	Haure	14.6.18	/124

Casualty Form - Active Service.

Regiment or Corps 43RD BATTALION A.I.F.
 Rank Rt Surname BRANSON Christian Name Leslie Vivian
 Religion Angl. Date of Enlistment _____ years _____ months
 Enlisted (a) 2/18/18 Terms of Service (a) War + 4 months Service reckons from (a) _____
 Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____
 or Corps Trade and rate _____

Occupation _____ Signature of Officer _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c. during active service, as reported on Army Form B-213, Army Form A-36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B-213, Army Form A-36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked ...			
		Disembarked ...			
28	6 7 18 Aust C. Dep Rte	To Base	Haire	6 7 18	A/1220/64 ²⁰²² ₃₅₀
29	" " A.I.B.D.	Marched in Ex. Co. Dep	"	6 7 18	1/50
30	9 7 18 " " A.I.B.D.	Marched out to unit	"	9 7 18	1/45
31	20 7 18 Lt. O. H. B. Rm	Rejoined 43rd Bn.	In the Field.	20 7 18	A/222/43 ^{20 3/100}
32	10 8 18 " " " "	Wounded in Action Gas	France	8 8 18	A/1222/66 V.L. 806 ^{222/96} _{2034/10291}
33	8 9 18 6 A.F. A	Adm. Shell Gas	"	8 9 18	
34	" " " "	To C.C.S.	"	8 8 18	A/1295/164
35	9 8 18 61 Co. L. I.	Adm. Gassed	"	8 8 18	
36	" " " "	To 11 A.I.	"	9 8 18	1/10
37	9 8 18 20 Coy	Adm. Gassed	"	9 8 18	1/40 ^{2034/10291}
38	20 8 18 " "	To England	"	20 8 18	1/11 ^{2034/10291} ₁₀₁₃

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged, or enlisted into Section D, Army Form B-213, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be noted.
 (b) Greater Shilling South A. No. 2034/10291 1911 C.F.S. Ltd. Form B/103 5/1907. P.T.O.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A.36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
39	20.8.18 Fulham M.H. St Dunstons Rd	Adm: Gassed & P.W.D.	Hammesmill	21.8.18	M.S. 510 HR 861
40	21.8.18 HQ Newhaven	Emb: for Eng	France	21.8.18	R. 1954/117 7344
	15.10.18 Fulham M.H.	Adm: 21.8.18	Hammesmill	29.10.18	
41		Transfer 15.10.18 to 29.10.18 + Capt J.P.A. O.D. Harcourt			
	30.10.18 Adm Hqrs.	Pte. A.W.L. 29.10.18	} Redu.		RA 3885
	"	Detainers excused 30/10/18			
42	11.11.18 1st Aux Hosp	Adm. Influenza (Adm. Hqrs)	Hqrs	11.11.18	HR 301
43	14.11.18	Dioc to No 2 Com Det		14.11.18	HR 127
44	21.11.18 No 2 S. Hosp	Adm from 1st A.P.H.	Weymouth	19.11.18	HR 209919
	7.2.19 Regt. A.I.F. D. U.K.	Adm. to Com. Cadre No 2 C.D. + Promoted T/CPL (vice Macken)	Hammesmill	28.1.19	HR 111
	5.6.19 do. No 1 (Hq) S. Hosp	Promoted ER/CPL	do.	1.5.19	HR 346, 689 Do 120/208 1919 Cont 147
	13.8.19 No 5 Group	ER/CPL. No 16 No 2 Group	Weymouth	13.8.19	LC 6903

15/11/19 HQ Croops

RETURN TO AUSTRALIA
for Capt Wende

15 NOV 1919
Capt. Wende
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Transferred to

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. *4740*
 Rank *Private* Name *BRANSON L.V.*
 Unit *43 Bn 27862* (*cases 43 Bn Ballyhale 33 Bn*)

LWT. 30 Casualty **WOUNDED** *Gas* *1116 2977 1203 dated London 12/1/19* Received B. *24/1/19*
 ✓ *Gassed. P.W.C.* MILD. ADMITTED *20-818 to Fulham Milby Hoop*
WSML 810 2275 dated London 10/9/19

Relg to Aust. per H. T. Ypvinga embarked 15/11/19
C.I.B. 43671/6786, did Lon 18/11/19 Rec. B.R. 25/11/19 } *Deserol 204*

Returned to Australia per A. Ypvinga
Disembarked M.M.D. 1/1/20 List 373 Jk.

Form B. 103. Revised

DATE	PURPORT
<i>AUG 27 1918</i>	<i>N. O. K. Advised Wounded Gas.</i>
<i>SEP 12 1918</i>	<i>M. D. E. Advised in Hospital</i>
<i>1 DEC 1918</i>	<i>N. O. K. Advised returning to Australia, Form <i>AM</i> C. M. Form 7 Returned to Unit <i>D. A. G. H. M.D. 7/2/262</i></i>
<i>9/2/20</i>	<i>Discharged M.D. <i>Jk.</i></i>
<i>29. 2. 20</i>	<i>"WILL" No. 4 M.D. <i>109,158 Jk.</i></i>

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