

AUSTRALIAN  MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. Major Name { Surname Smay
 in full { Christian Name Alexander Peter
 Unit 4.8 Battalion
 Joined on _____

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

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| 1. What is your Name? ... | 1. _____ |
| 2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... | 2. In the Parish of _____ in or
near the Town of _____
in the County of _____ |
| 3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... | 3. _____ |
| 4. What is your Age? ... | 4. _____ |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... | 5. _____ |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... | 6. _____ |
| 7. Are you married? ... | 7. _____ |
| 8. Who is your next of kin? (Address and relationship to be stated) ... | 8. <u>wife</u>
<u>Edith Smay</u>
<u>Station Road, Prospect</u>
<u>of Commonwealth Bank of Australia</u> |
| 9. What is your permanent address in Australia? ... | 9. <u>24 Perth St, Sydney, New South Wales</u>
<u>London to</u>
<u>24/1/19</u> |
| 10. 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 ... | 10. <u>Victoria Avenue</u>
<u>London N.W.</u>
<u>10/4/19</u>
<u>26/7/19</u> |
| 11. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... | 11. _____ |
| 12. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... | 12. _____ |
| 13. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mothers—
Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day?) ... | 13. _____ |
| 14. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? ... | 14. _____ |

I, _____ 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 my service wife



C.M. Form A, 22.
(Revised 1.5.33.)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

16th Infantry

Application for a Commission in the *Superior Force*

No.	Particulars.	
1.	Surname ... Other names (in full) ...	<i>IMLAY</i> <i>ALEXANDER PETER</i>
2.	Educational Qualifications ... <small>(Certificates to be attached for notation at District Head-quarters.)</small>	<i>State School New 47758</i>
3.	Military Qualifications (previous Military Service, if any, to be stated) <small>(Attention is directed to third sub-para. of C.M. Regulation 84.)</small> If serving, present rank and corps to be stated.	<i>present serving 76th Australian Infantry</i> <i>private</i> <i>1st Coy New South Wales Sydney.</i>
4.	Present Civil Employment <small>(Address of place of business to be stated.)</small>	<i>Manager Artillery Co. Kingsford</i>
5.	Date of Birth and Age ... <small>(Certificate of Birth or Statutory Declaration to be attached for notation at District Head-quarters.)</small>	Date of Birth: <i>1 Feb 1885</i> Age: <i>28 Years 7 Months</i>
6.	If a British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject <small>(In the case of the latter, date and place of Naturalization to be stated.)</small>	<i>British Subject</i>
7.	Married or Single ... <small>PAY BOOK NO.</small>	<i>Married</i> <i>78/4</i>
8.	Postal Address ...	<i>Warran ...</i>
9.	Next of Kin ...	<i>Edith Imlay wife</i>

Date *14/1/14* (Signature of Applicant) *Alex Imlay*

NOTE.—Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Forces are required to attach a satisfactory certificate of moral character, or, if they are serving in the Permanent or Citizen Forces, to be recommended by their Commanding Officer. They are also to state on the back of this form the subjects in which they desire to be examined in Part II., and where exemptions are claimed for educational subjects, the authority for same is to be stated, and where necessary to be supported by certificates.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

In the cases of Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Forces, Proceedings of Board, in accordance with the "Instructions for the Physical Examination of Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Military Forces of the Commonwealth," will be substituted for this Certificate; such Board, however, will not be assembled until after the nomination of the Candidate to undergo examination has been approved by the Military Board of Administration.

I, *W. H. Carey* do hereby certify to the correctness of the following particulars respecting the above-named applicant. I further certify that the applicant is not ruptured, and is capable of bearing the fatigue incident to the performance of military duty.

Height *5' 10"* Weight *124 lb*
Chest Measurement *35 1/4"* Eyesight *20/20*

Signature of the Examining Medical Officer *W. H. Carey*

RECOMMENDATION AND CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

(Not required in the cases of Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Forces.)

I recommend that the candidate above-named be appointed a *Second Lieutenant* in the Corps under my command, and I certify:—

- That such appointment will be within the authorized establishment and provision on the Estimates for the current year, or
- That such appointment, although not within the authorized establishment and provision on the Estimates for the current year, will be within the number of appointments allowed permitted under C.M. Regulation 24.
- That the provisions of C.M. Reg. 80 have been fully complied with, or
- That the provisions of U.E. Reg. 35 have been fully complied with, or
- That the provisions of U.T. Reg. 100 have been fully complied with.

On appointment the candidate will be posted to *C* Squadron, Battery, or Coy., &c

Ex Baker Major

Date *30-7-14* Commanding *N.A.M.P. Quota 16th Inf. Regt. or Corp.*

RECOMMENDATION OF DISTRICT COMMANDANT.

Recommended, candidate considered suitable

W. H. Carey

Date

WJK/BS.

BASE RECORDS OFFICER, A.I.F.,
1st October, 1918.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Fifth Supplement, No. 50645 to the London Gazette dated 19th April, 1918, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your husband, Lieutenant-Colonel A. P. Inlay, D.S.O., 47th Battalion.

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AWARDED A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER

* With reference to the award as announced in the London Gazette, dated 17th December, 1917, the following are the statements of service for which the decoration was conferred :-

Lieutenant-Colonel ALEXANDER PETER INLAY, D.S.O.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his Battalion. The attack, in atrocious weather conditions, was successful, but owing to the retirement of the troops on the left, his men were ordered to withdraw. He personally controlled the retiring troops, and skilfully overcame a critical situation, being wounded in the effort. "

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The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 150, dated 24th September, 1918.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. E. Inlay,
c/o Ferritt,
55 Carrington Street,
Glasgow,
SCOTLAND.

Major
Officer i/c Base Records

FE/ACS.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.
5th June, 1918.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Second Supplement No. 30424 to the London Gazette dated 19th December, 1917, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your husband, Lieutenant-Colonel A. P. Inlay, M.C. 47th Battalion.

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HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been pleased to confer the unmentioned award for gallantry and distinguished service in the field. The acts of gallantry for which the decoration has been awarded will be announced in the London Gazette as early as practicable:-

AWARDED A BAR TO THE MENTIONED SERVICE ORDER.

Lieutenant-Colonel ALEXANDER PETER INLAY, D.S.O. "

X X X
The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. 66 dated 2nd May, 1918.

Yours faithfully,

Capt.
for Officer i/o Base Records.

Mrs E. Inlay,
C/o Commonwealth Bank of Australia,
36 New Broad Street,
London, W.C.
ENGLAND.

TELEPHONE:
CENTRAL 4741.

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

PB/BS.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

Melbourne, 15th May, 1918.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Second Supplement, No. 30448, to the "London Gazette" dated 25th December, 1917, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.

DESPATCHED

The following is a continuation of Sir Douglas Haig's Despatch of the 7th November, submitting names deserving special mention, published in a supplement to the "London Gazette" of Friday, 28th December, 1917:—

Lieutenant-Colonel A. P. **IMLAY, D.S.O.**"

The above has been promulgated in "Commonwealth of Australia Gazette," No. 57, dated 18th April, 1918.

Mrs. E. Imlay,
C/o Commonwealth Bank of Australia,
36 New Broad Street,
London, E.C.
ENGLAND.
C.6369.

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Inlay

W. O. Sanderson
R/A 15/4/19

Salopie
Croydon. Co.
Croydon.
N.S.W.
10.4.19.

The of Base Records, 2nd
Melbourne

17th 17 30 16/4

Dear Sir,

Having just returned from England, I would like to notify you of a change of address to the address + would be glad of any convenience re my husband,

Let Col. A.P. Inlay, D.S.O. (late 47th A.I.F.) to be addressed to the same.

I believe Col. Inlay has left England by the "Gai", about 23 or 25 March; I would like you to verify this, & also what ship he will come by after transhipping from Suez. Hoping for an early reply with many thanks

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

RECORDED
INDEXED

Yrs. Faithfully
Edith Inlay

EFM/DMH

17th April, 1919.

DESPATCHED

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 10th instant, and to inform you your present address has been noted on the records of your husband, Lieut-Colonel A.P. Imlay, D.S.O., 47th Battalion.

It is officially reported that he is returning to Australia per H.T. "Dongala", having trans-shipped to this vessel from the H.T. "Czar" at Suez, and will arrive at Melbourne about the 15th May.

Further information regarding the movements of the vessel will appear in the press.

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. E. Imlay,
"Saliopa,"
Croydon Avenue,
CROYDON, N.S.W.

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				
42 19/2/18	A.I.F. List 299	Lt Col. Resumed Command from Wounded	France	4-2-18	A.K. 2256/78.
23/3/18	60.47 th Bn.	Lt Col. Rejoined unit from Wounded in England	do.	4-2-18	B.213. D15/60. D.O. 10/875.
43 7/4/18	C.O. 47 th Bn.	Wounded in Action & remained at duty (4th Occasion)	France	5/4/18	B. 213 D15/60 D.O. 10/875 ✓
30/4/18	A.I.F. List 325 Dated 30/4/18	Extract from London Gazette Supplement 30/4/18 Awarded "Bar to D.O."	France		A.K. 2622/35
39 H		For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion. The attack, in atrocious weather conditions, was successful. But owing to the retirement of troops on the left, his men were ordered to withdraw. He personally controlled the retiring troops and skilfully overcame a critical situation, being wounded in the effort.			
44 7/6/18	A.I.F. List No 320	Lt Col. Specially mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig's despatch of 7/4/18.			A.K. 2742/26 D.O. 32/3679 ✓
45 9/7/18	A.I.F. List No 353	Lt Col. Transferred from 27 th Bn. to General List & posted for command 12 th Inf Bn. via Denham 1/7/18	France	1/7/18	D.O. 34/3731 ✓
46 4 7 18	12 Inf Bn	Lt Col. In/In from France	Cockford.	30 6 18	25502
A.I.F.	H.M.T. "C3a"	Returned to Australia per "Gar."	Liverpool Eng.	20.3.19.	

WJM/MCW.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.
15th November, 1917.

Dear Madam,

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I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Sixth Supplement No. 50111 to the London Gazette dated 1st June, 1917, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your husband, Lieutenant-Colonel A.P. Inlay, 47th Battalion.

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"HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the undermentioned reward for distinguished services in the Field:-

AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

Major ALEXANDER PETER INLAY. "

X X X X

The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 169 of 4th October, 1917.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Mrs. F. Inlay,
C/o Commonwealth Bank of Australia,
36 New Broad Street,
London, E.C. ENGLAND.

Officer i/c. Base Records.

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Transferred to

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. *1017*
 Rank *1st Lieutenant* Name *A. P. Inlay* *210. 4 Bar*
 Unit *16th Battalion. 47th* **48th BATTALION.**
 Casualty *Wounded in action at the Dardanelles, A. I. F. 112/4/365.*
 Misc. No. *Returning to reform No. 4 at 1st 6th 11/14/1915*
18/5/15 forming Draft No 6 for return to 27th Base Weymouth M.E. 70 26/3 D. Cairns

DATE.	REMARKS.	REMARKS.
5/6/15	In Hospital, Manchester H. Co. - /561	
5/3/15	N.O.K. asking progress	
5/3/15	Mrs Inlay asking message to sent	
4/3/15	6.13891 N.O.K. advised (True Cable)	
18/5/15	Reply sent	
18/6/15	N.O.K. adv. husband in Hospital Manchester. By	
	CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF	
	Cable No 71175 11/11/15 date 10/15/15	
	COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS	
20. 8. 15	Reported at Horse Video Camp Weymouth for duty	
	M.E. 50 Part 2 No 80 5th 26/1/15	
6-10-15	Returned from Weymouth M.E. 70 Part 11 36/7 D. Cairns 14/11/15	
	Wounded	
	St W Leg & Thighs	
	Admitted 22-10-17 3rd London	
	San Hospital W.S. 11 570 12058 dated London 27/1/17	
	Proceeding forwardly	
	WSML 5.55 10245 dated London 27/1/17	
	UNTERED	
	Reviewed in Dispatch	
16-12-18	Form of Commence received 2/11 B.R.M. No 30770	
	Returned to Australia per A. ...	
	Disembarked 13/1/14	
	Appointment terminated	

LIST 6

11.8.19

23/10/15 204

REV. No.

11. 9. 19

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11. 3. 20 Men. In Des. Certificate 1207 transmitted B R M 43/937.

18. 5. 20 Men. In Des. Certificate 1681 transmitted B R M 43/937.

1914/1916 Star issued B.R.M. 43/1229/16/4

WAR HISTORY INDEX

5- 8- 20. Men. In Des. Certificate 2313 transmitted B R M 43/937.



2. 9. 20

Oak Lodge (S) and Officer (601053) BR 420411K

10/6/21 Men. In Des. Certificate 3377 transmitted B R M 43/937.

Handwritten red numbers: 100, 100, 100

IMLAY, Alexander Peter

Captain
16th Battalion

Portrait of Captain Alexander Peter Imlay, DSO and Bar, of Prospect, South Australia, wearing the Gordon Highlanders, British Army, uniform. He enlisted in the AIF on 23 September 1914, as a second lieutenant with the 16th Battalion, and embarked from Melbourne, Vic, aboard HMAT Ceramic on 22 December 1914. He served with the 47th Battalion at Gallipoli and the Western Front and was wounded twice. He was mentioned in despatches twice and awarded the Legion of Honour on 26 April 1917, and the Distinguished Service Order (DSO) on 5 March 1917 and a bar to the DSO on 7 December 1917. He returned to Australia on 21 March 1919 aboard HMAT Dongala. He was promoted to Major in 1920 and transferred to the reserve list as a lieutenant colonel in October 1920. In 1921 he joined the Gordon Highlanders, British Army, as a captain, and in 1930 transferred to the Royal Indian Army Service Corps. He retired in 1937, but was reappointed in 1940 for service during the Second World War. He died in 1959 in Scotland.

Studio portrait of Lieutenant Alexander Peter Imlay, of Prospect, South Australia. He enlisted in the AIF on 23 September 1914, as a second lieutenant with the 16th Battalion, and embarked from Melbourne, Vic, aboard HMAT Ceramic on 22 December 1914. He served with the 47th Battalion at Gallipoli and the Western Front and was wounded twice. He was mentioned in despatches twice and awarded the Legion of Honour on 26 April 1917, and the Distinguished Service Order (DSO) on 5 March 1917 and a bar to the DSO on 7 December 1917. He returned to Australia on 21 March 1919 aboard HMAT Dongala. He was promoted to Major in 1920 and transferred to the reserve list as a lieutenant colonel in October 1920. In 1921 he joined the Gordon Highlanders, British Army, as a captain, and in 1930 transferred to the Royal Indian Army Service Corps. He retired in 1937, but was reappointed in 1940 for service during the Second World War. He died in 1959 in Scotland.

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