



ATTESTATION FORM

FOR SPECIAL FORCES RAISED FOR SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA OR ABROAD.

Army No. ~~XXXXXX~~ QX58292
Surname BRENNAN. Other Names KENNETH.
(BLOCK CAPITALS)
Unit 61. A. I. J. B.
Enlisted for service at Naylorange (Place)
Queensland (State) 9/9/42 (Date)

A

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for voluntary enlistment.*

1. What is your name?
 1. Surname BRENNAN.
(BLOCK LETTERS)
 - Other names KENNETH.
2. Where were you born?
 2. In or near the town of Naylorange.
 - in the state or country of Queensland.
3. Are you a natural born or a naturalized British Subject? If the latter, papers are to be produced
 3. Natural born.
4. What is your age and date of birth?
 4. Age 21 yrs. 3 mths.
 - Date of Birth 12/6/22.
5. What is your trade or occupation?
 5. Shipyard labourer.
6. Are you married, single or widower?
 6. Single.
7. Have you previously served on active service? If so, where and in what arm?
 7. Yes. Papua. Infantry.
8. Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship—wife, eldest son, eldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, eldest half-brother, eldest half-sister)
 8. Name Father William Brennan.
 - Address 40. Fort. St.
 - Naylorange. Qld.
 - Relationship Father.
9. What is your permanent address?
 9. 40. Fort. St.
 - Naylorange. Qld.
10. What is your religious denomination? (This question need not be answered if the man has a conscientious objection to doing so)
 10. R. C.

I, Kenneth Brennan do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true and that I am willing to serve in the Australian Military Forces within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

Witnessed by Arthur Brennan Capt K. Brennan
(Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer) Signature.

* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I have made full and careful examination of the abovenamed person in accordance with the instructions contained in the Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Service. In my opinion he is—*

1. Fit for Class I.

2. Temporarily unfit for Class II.

3. Unfit for military service.

Place SMITHS

Date 24/9/41

Signature of Examining Medical Officer [Signature]

* Classifications which are inapplicable to be struck out.

Reasons for unfitness to be stated.

C

OATH OF ENLISTMENT ‡

I, Kenneth Herman swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia until the cessation of the present time of war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me God.

Signature of person Enlisted K. Herman

Subscribed at Wellington in the State of Tasmania

this thirtieth day of October 19 41

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer [Signature]

† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialed by the Attesting Officer.

DISCHARGED

6.6.46 0/0 369951
1/4 Jan 1946
1941

Genl. Printer, Brisbane.

PART A—Compiled by Unit.

Discharge Authority	Removal A180 of 9/5/46 R/O Part 2
Reason for Discharge	AMR & O 253A(1)(d)
State in which discharge desired Normally State in which member's home is situated.	Q

Unit

Other Names

KENNETH

Army No.

458292

Rank

4/ser

Surname

BRENNAN

(Block Letters)

PART B—Personal details—compiled by Unit:

1. Home address 40 Forth St
Marborough St
Date commenced F.T.D. 9/4/42 Date of Birth 13/6/23
State whether:—

Married, single, divorced, widow
or widower Single No. of Dependants in respect of whom dependant's allowance is being paid:—
Under 16 yrs. — 16 yrs. & over —

2. Present Description of Soldier:—

Age 23 yrs. 4 months
Height 5 ft. 8 1/2 ins. Eyes Blue
Complexion Fair Hair Brown
Marks/Scars Scar on L palm
R ankle
Trade Group in which employed

Medical Cases Only MR & O 253A(1)(d)
Disability:—
Degree of Disability — %

3. Operational Service:—

(a) Overseas area of service	Embarked from Aust.	Disembarked in Aust.	Authenticating Signature
133 <u>NG</u>	<u>28/8/42</u>	<u>9/1/43</u>	Date <u>1/1</u>
72 <u>NG</u>	<u>31/10/43</u>	<u>10/1/44</u>	
314 <u>NG & SOLOMONS</u>	<u>20/1/44</u>	<u>29/5/45</u>	
293 <u>SOLOMONS</u>	<u>29/1/45</u>	<u>19/5/46</u>	
814			
(b) N.T. (North of Par. 14 1/2° Sth.) or Torres St. Is.:—	From	To	
At	1/1	1/1	
	1/1	1/1	

Part B compiled by:—

Date 1/1/45

(Officer's signature and rank)

PART C—Compiled by Ech. and Rec.:

4. Non-effective Service:*

PART D—Compiled by Ech. & Rec.:

369951

5. Details for Certificate of Discharge No. 369951
Unit (for discharge purposes) 61 Aust Inf Bn
Served on continuous Full Time War Service in the
CMF from 9/4/42 to 29/9/43
MP from 30/9/43 to 6/6/46
for a Total Effective Period* of 1520 days, which included
Active Service in Australia† 801 days and 800
Active Service O/S Australia† 814 days
Decorations and Awards‡ during that Service:

War Badge AS
Class and No. A 335821 Entered Badge Register 9/4/46
Discharged from the 61 Aust Inf Bn and discharge confirmed vide Schedule No. DDM 1387 to take effect on and from 6 JUN 1946

Place REDBANK Signature Dust
Date 6 JUN 1946 Officer i/c O'LAND

6. Details compiled by ac checked by eg
Entered Discharge Certificate Register eg
Entered "Wills" Register 11/45
A.A.F. A.131 obtained by

PART E—To be signed by Soldier on discharge:
7. I hereby acknowledge receipt of:
(a) Certificate of Discharge No. 369951
(b) Army Form A.131 purporting to contain my Will.
(c) War Badge No. A 335821
Date 6 JUN 1946 Signature of Soldier K. Brennan
Place REDBANK Signature of Witness Dust

* "Effective Period" means the period of service, less any consecutive 21 days or more for which the soldier was not entitled to pay.
† Australia means the mainland of Australia and Tasmania.
‡ Does not include War Medals.

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DETERMINATION OF DEMOBILIZATION PRIORITY

DEMOB. INDICATOR

9	N	122
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A. ARMY NO. 9858292 RANK L/SGT UNIT 8 M C GP (RIF)SURNAME BRENNANOTHER NAMES KENNETHDate of Commencement of Full Time War Service 9/4/42 Age at commencement of Full Time War Service 19 years.

B. ASSESSMENT OF NORMAL PRIORITY.

	Points
1. Length of Service in months <u>42</u> X 2 (males) or X 1 (females)	<u>84</u>
2. Age at enlistment in years <u>19</u> X 2 (males) or X 3 (females)	<u>38</u>
3. Dependency Status (males only)—one point for each month of Service	
Total (Normal Priority) <u>122</u>	

4. Dependency Status (females only)—insert "A" }	Class
5. Marriage (females only) —insert "B" }	
6. Records and assessment checked.	

Date 1 Oct 45

Signature of Officer.

7. I desire discharge in the State of 8/10

8. I intend to apply—

- * (i) For service in the Permanent Military Forces.
- * (ii) For service throughout the Demob. period.

Date 11 Oct 45

Signature of Member.

C. DECISION OF COMMANDING OFFICER OR REPRESENTATIVE OF SERVICE ON FORMATION H.Q.1

Signature.

Date.

*Not to be retained

*To be retained—(see instructions).

Demob A150 of 9/5/46
R/O Part 127 MAY 1946C.O. 1st Lt C. A. R. R. G. G. D.

D. ALLOTMENT OF SPECIAL PRIORITY.

Reason and Authority

Date

Signature of Commanding Officer
or Representative of Service.

INSTRUCTIONS.

LENGTH OF SERVICE.—Months of service calculated from the date of commencement of full-time service to the date notified by L.H.Q.

AGE AT ENLISTMENT.—Completed years of age at date of commencement of full-time war service.

DEPENDANCY STATUS.—Accorded only to members on whose behalf an allowance is being paid by the Army for one or more dependants.

MARRIAGE.—Claims by female members for discharge on account of marriage will not be recognised if such marriage has not been reported, and in consequence has not been entered in their personal records.

†PART C.—REASONS FOR RETENTION—to be inserted as appropriate

(i) Member of Permanent Military Forces;

(iii) Service throughout Demob. period—voluntary.

(ii) Applicant for Permanent Military Forces.

(iv) Services essential—Retained until

*Strike out where appropriate.

Authority.

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AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES.

MOBILIZATION ATTESTATION FORM

To be filled in for all Persons at the Place of Assembly when called out under Parts III. or IV.
of the Defence Act, or when voluntarily enlisted.

Army No. Q 135 357
Surname Brennan (BLOCK CAPITALS) Christian Names Kenneth
Unit 47 BN.
Enlisted for war service at Maryborough (Place)
Q (State) 8 - DEC 1941 (Date)

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for enlistment.*

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. What is your name? ... | 1. Surname <u>Brennan</u>
(BLOCK CAPITALS)
Other names <u>Kenneth</u> |
| 2. Where were you born? ... | 2. In or near the town of <u>Maryborough</u>
In the state or country of <u>Q</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject? ... | 3. <u>Yes. N.B.B.S.</u> |
| 4. What is your age and date of birth? ... | 4. Age <u>19 years 6 mos.</u>
Date of Birth <u>13. 6. 1922</u> |
| 5. (a) What is your normal trade or occupation? Grade if any? | 5. (a) <u>Labourer</u> |
| (b) Previous occupation? | (b) <u>Labourer</u> |
| 6. (a) Are you married, single or widower? | 6. (a) <u>Single</u> |
| (b) If married state date of marriage? | (b) <u>None</u> |
| 7. (a) Have you had previous naval, military or Air Force service either in peace or war? If so, where and in what arm? | 7. (a) <u>None</u> |
| (b) What was the reason for your discharge? | (b) <u>None</u> |
| 8. Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship,—wife, eldest son, eldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, eldest half-brother, eldest half-sister) | 8. Name <u>William Brennan</u>
Address <u>10 Lord St.</u>
<u>Maryborough Q</u>
Relationship <u>Son</u> |
| 9. What is your permanent address? | 9. <u>10 Lord St.</u>
<u>Maryborough Q</u> |
| 10. What is your religious denomination? (This question need not be answered if the man has a conscientious objection to doing so) | 10. <u>Protestant</u> |
| 11. Which, if any, of the following Educational Qualifications do you possess? | 1. Certificate for entry to Secondary School <u>Yes</u>
2. Intermediate <u>No</u>
3. Leaving <u>No</u>
4. Leaving Honours <u>No</u>
5. Technical <u>No</u>
6. University Degree <u>No</u>
7. Other Diplomas <u>No</u> |
| 12. Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? | 12. <u>No</u> |
| If so—(a) What Court? | (a) <u>No</u> |
| (b) for what offence? | (b) <u>No</u> |

I, Kenneth Brennan do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true.

Witnessed by S. Brennan (Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) K. Brennan Signature.

* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Acts.

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MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I have made full and careful examination of the above-named person in accordance with the instructions contained in the Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Services. In my opinion he is—

1. Fit for Class I.
2. Temporarily unfit for Class I $\uparrow$ — 6. 6. 46 a/o 369951
3. Fit for Class II.
4. Temporarily unfit for Class II $\uparrow$ — 4/Gen Demol a/o 2102
5. Unfit for military service $\uparrow$
- Place Harrogate Date 8 - DEC 1941

Signature of Examining Medical Officer: No Bake An Board

* Classifications which are immaterial to be struck out.

* Reasons for withdrawal to be stated.

C

OATH OF ENLISTMENT I

For persons voluntarily enlisted or called upon under Part III. or Part IV. of the Defence Act, and not being members of the Active Citizen Military Forces to serve in the Citizen Forces in time of war. Not compulsory for serving members of the Forces or those allotted to the Citizen Forces under Part XII. of the Act, but unless in any case an objection is raised, the oath should be administered to them as part of the ceremony of attestation.

I, Kenneth Brennan swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Citizen Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia for the duration of the present time of war, ~~and for a period of twelve months thereafter~~, or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So Help Me God!

Signature of Person Enlisted K. Brennan

Subscribed at Harpsburg in the State of Q
this 8-DEC day of December 1941

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer W. S. Matthews

† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialed by the Attesting Officer.

APPROVED FOR GEPV
HALL POWER OF
Date 8-12-11

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A.F. B.103-1 (Adapted) 92
Army No. 6145357 8X54292
Unit 61 BN

Rank PTE Christian Names KENNETH Surname BRENNAN
(On Enlistment) (Block Capital)

Date of Enlistment 9.4.42 Marital Condition SINGLE
Place MARYBOROUGH QLD Next of Kin WILLIAM BRENNAN
Date and Place of Birth 13.6.1922 MARYBOROUGH QLD Address of Next of Kin 40 FORT ST.
Trade or Occupation LABOURER MARYBOROUGH QLD
Religion R.C. Relationship FATHER

Medical Classification Class I.
Class II.
(On Enlistment)

Identification—Colour of Hair Eyes
Distinctive Marks

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.

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Date	From whom received					
11.4.42	HC GENERAL DETAIL DEPOT	MARCHED IN.	10.4.42	Brisbane	W3011	
15.4.42	29 INF TRG BN	Marched in T.O.S. from N.C. Gen Details Depot.	12.4.42	Goondiwindi	W3011	
25.5.42	"	Promoted to L/Corporal.	21.5.42	"	W3011	
9.6.42	"	To N°4 Section Leaders Course Goondiwindi	8.6.42	"	W3011	
14.7.42	DDM 5	Actg to H.Q. C.H. Goondiwindi (Rubella)	14.7.42	Brisbane	W3011	
9.8.42	29 INF TRG BN	M/IN from Section Leaders Course N°4 G'windi	3.8.42	G'windi	W3011	
12.8.42	"	Promoted to A/Corporal	8.8.42	"	W3011	
6.9.42	"	M/O transferred to Advanced Reinforcements Depot N°6	26.8.42	"	W3011	
6.9.42	"	M/IN from 29 Inf Trg Bn	29.8.42	Ballkain	W3011	
28.8.42	61 BN	Embarked "Austrian" for S.M.D. Depot 29.8.42	28.8.42	Brisbane	W3011	
12.9.42	61 BN	M/IN from Adv Reinf Depot N°6 Force	29.8.42	Field	W3011	
29.10.42	"	Promotion Reversion to pay as private at 1st Regt	23.10.42	"	W3011	

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Date	From whom received					
27.12.42	DDMS.	Adm. 2/1CC.5 (Malaya)	7/43	Field	W3034/	
2.1.43	"	From 2/1CC.5 to SPT "Duntsovi" & trans 10 X last	7/43	"	W306	
7.1.43	"	From SPT "Duntsovi" to 2/H AGH. DISEMB	8/43	Quart.	W3034/	
18.1.43	"	Evac from 2/H AGH to 102 Conv. Depot.	17/40/43	"	"	
4.2.43	7A.1.T.B.	Evac 102 Conv. Depot to 7A.1.T.B.	2007/11/43	"	W304/	
20.3.43	112 AGH.	Evac to 112 AGH (re Malaya) ex 7A.T.B.	3586/11/43	"	W304/	
20.3.43	G.O.D.	Discharged 112 AGH and marched into G.O.D.	3587/11/43	"	W304/	
21.3.43	"	From G.O.D. to NGFARD.	3702/11/43	"	W304/	
27.3.43	82 A.C.H.	Evac to 82 A.C.H. (Malaya release) ex NGFARD.	3800/11/43	"	W3034/	
27.3.43	116 AGH	Evac 82 A.C.H. to 116 AGH.	3501/11/43	"	W3034/	
21.5.43	114 Conv. Depot	Evac 116 AGH to 114 Conv. Depot	26/43	"	W3034/	
22.5.43	116 AGH.	Offence. Conduct to the prejudice of good order & military discipline. Award. Reprimanded by CO 116 AGH.	28/43	"	W3069/	
19.6.43	114 AGH.	Discharged from 114 Conv. Depot to NGFARD.	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
25.6.43	116 AGH.	Evac to 116 AGH from 114 AGH (Malaya) ex NGFARD.	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
1.8.43	114 AGH.	Evac 116 AGH from 114 AGH to 114 AGH.	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
6.8.43	116 AGH.	Evac 114 AGH from 114 AGH to 116 AGH (Malaya)	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
21.8.43	114 AGH.	Evac 116 AGH from 114 AGH to 114 AGH.	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
17.9.43	"	Discharged 114 AGH from 114 AGH to 114 AGH.	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
11.10.43	5 AGH.	Embarkment on AIF Army No. 114 55292	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
7.11.43	116 AGH.	Embarked at 116 AGH from 114 AGH on 31/10/43.	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
5.11.43	6 AGH.	Disembarkment on 11/11/43	30/43	"	W3034/2226	
7.1.44	61 Aust	EMBARKED per "WILLIAM HUMB"	7.1.44	Port Moresby	W3034/2226	
10.1.44	Inf Bn	DISEMBARKED	10.1.44	Calima	W3034/2226	

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SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103—1.

A.F. B.103.—2

BRENNAN

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REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, etc., Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, etc.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W.2011, B.2009, or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received					
22.5.44	6. Bn	Granted leave for 14 days	25/11/44	19.5.44	W30/25	Ab
11.6.44	2/6 Aust	Regulated to 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp & transferred to a unit (P.N.O. 2 Malakia)	29/9/44	11.6.44	W30/24/6/72	Ab
16.6.44		Discharged 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp to 2 Aust Gen Reception Camp (P.N.O. Malakia)	30/11/44	16.6.44		Ab
17.6.44	6. Bn	Taken on strength from 2 Aust Gen Reception Camp	30/11/44	17.6.44	W30/24/6/72	Ab
27.7.44	61 Aust. Inf. Bn.	EMBARKED per "KATOOMBA"	35/5/52/44	20.7.44	CAIRNS A206	AC
		DISSEMBARKED		24.7.44	MADANG 31/D/2181	AC
7.9.44		Appointed paid leave corporal	11/11/44	7.9.44	W30/79	Ab
23.10.44		Promoted to corporal	11/11/44	19.10.44	W30/119	Ab
		Proficiency pay withdrawn	11/11/44	19.10.44		Ab
20.11.44	1 Aust Adv	EMBARKED PER "CAPE VICTORY"		10.11.44	MADANG T51	AC
	2nd Ech	DISSEMBARKED TOROKINA, NOUGAIVILLE	22/11/44	13.11.44	BOUGAIVILLE 31/4/3380	Ab
25.11.44	6. Bn	Detached to 4 Aust Ld Regt	23/11/44	25.11.44	W30/138	Ab
21.11.44		Upon cessation of detachment to 4 Aust Ld Regt	23/11/44	26.11.44	W30/139	Ab
2.12.44		Detached to 9 Aust Inf Bn	11/12/44	4.12.44	W30/1	Ab
		Upon cessation of detachment to 9 Aust Inf Bn	11/12/44	20.12.44		Ab
22.1.45		Appointed lance Sgt	7/1/45	22.1.45	W30/15	Ab
30.5.45	8th Ld Bn	Embarked for Katoomba	21/5/45	31.5.45	Torokina	Ab
		Disembarked for recreational leave		29.5.45	Torokina	Ab
1.8.45	1 Aust Adv	Embarked leave, departed Port Moresby	16/8/45	29.7.45	Port Moresby	Ab
21.8.45	2nd Ech	Embarked Port Moresby, departed Torokina, Bougainville		13.8.45	Bougainville	Ab
14.8.45	6. Bn	Regimental desertion leave		13.8.45		Ab

SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

A.F. B.103.—2 (Adapted)

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103—1.

A.W. 200m 10-12

REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c., Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W.3011, B.2060, or other Document	Initials of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received					
10/10/45	61 Bn	Transferred out to 27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	10/10/45	B'ville	W3011/146	AC
10/10/45	27 Bn (AIF)	Transferred in from 61 Aust Inf Bn	10/10/45	"	Mob 3	HC
		<i>Rec with org B.103</i>	12.1.46	<i>Beulah</i>		
26.12.45	27 Bn	Transferred to 8 Inf Bn	26.12.45	Vic	Mob 3	
26.12.45	8 Bn	Transferred in from 27 Inf Bn	26.12.45	Vic	Mob 3	5/46
5.1.46	8 Bn	<i>Trans to 8 Movement Control 5/46/VTR</i>	31.12.45			<i>3011/146</i>
5.1.46	8 m Csp	<i>Trans from 8 Inf Bn 5/46</i>	31.12.45	B'ville	3011/1	<i>R</i>
		<i>Spate 622 A'd let here for disposal 8/46</i>	12.5.46			<i>1/9/46</i>
19.5.46	Q & R	Embarked Rabaul per "manunda" (C.D.)	13-5-46	N.B.	T-51	<i>RAB</i>
		Disembarked Sydney.	17-5-46	N.S.W.		
		<i>71704 3.5 4.2 on 4th</i>				
		DISCHARGED REASON: A.M.R. & O. 253A (1)				
		Authority: A.M.R. & O. 255 (2) (a) (iv)				
		R.O. <i>H577</i>	6.6.46	Redbank	Dia. Reg.	<i>HL</i>
		<i>Classed 1.11.46 H.E. Bouwman. Sgt.</i>				

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.



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The Officer-in-Charge,
C.A.R.O.,
"A" Block,
Albert Park Barracks,
MELBOURNE.

NAME: BRENNAN KENNETH
RANK: QX58292 NO: _____ UNIT: _____

Would you please forward the following documents in respect of
the abovenamed:-

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would you please advise me, by whom and when.

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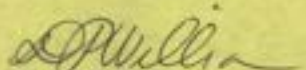
2/June 1989

Mr K. Brennan
40 Fort Street
MARYBOROUGH QLD 4650

Dear Mr Brennan,

1. I refer to your letter received at this office on 8 June 1989 concerning the Front Line Service Medal.
2. This medal is not issued by the Australian Army.
3. We understand, however, that it has been struck by the Queensland Branch of the 2nd/12th Australian Infantry Battalion Association and therefore suggest that you contact the honorary secretary of that association for further information.

Yours sincerely,


D.P. WILLIAMS
for Commanding Officer

13 JUN 1989

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40 FORT STREET
MARYBOROUGH Q'LD

4650

8. 6. 1989

Dear Sir

In the Jan. - Feb. issue of the
T.P.I. Journal the enclosure cutting of
the Frontline Service Medal was
published. As I am entitled to wear
this medal I am writing to you to see
if you can advise me of where I
should apply for it. My service
particulars are as follows.

Box 58292

Lt Col R Brennan

C. Coy. 61st A.I.B.

and I saw active service with this
unit in Milne Bay + Bougainville.

I remain
Yours sincerely
R. Brennan



* To all Front Line Infantrymen

At long last the men who did the fighting can have their own medal. Mrs Kelly, Assistant to the Minister for the Army, has advised the 'Front Line Service Medal' is a private medal for which official approval is not required.

The 2/12th Battalion Association of Brisbane has designed the medal, obtained the ruling and obtained quotes. With the help of other unit associations in other states, this project has been launched as an Australia-wide operation.

The only qualification needed for this medal is that the applicant HAS HAD FRONT LINE INFANTRY SERVICE. It is important that the unit associations make sure that only those eligible receive this medal otherwise its value would be lost.

As it would be impossible for the 2/12th Battalion Association to handle individual requests, all applications must be made to the individual's unit association.

People in the various Eastern States have accepted the position of State Co-ordinator. Unit Associations will place their order with the State Co-ordinator who will forward the State order through either the 2/12th Battalion Association or direct to the supplier.

Unit associations have all information regarding regulations governing the award. Units will advise individual members as to the cost of the medal.

We are all proud to have served our country in the hazardous role of a front line soldier. You have well and truly EARNED this recognition and you are entitled to wear it with pride. You know, and so will everybody else, that you were put to the severest test and you were NOT found wanting.

Also, remember that when you see another man wearing this medal, you know immediately that both of you have a lot in common, as the bonds of comradeship between fighting men are strong.

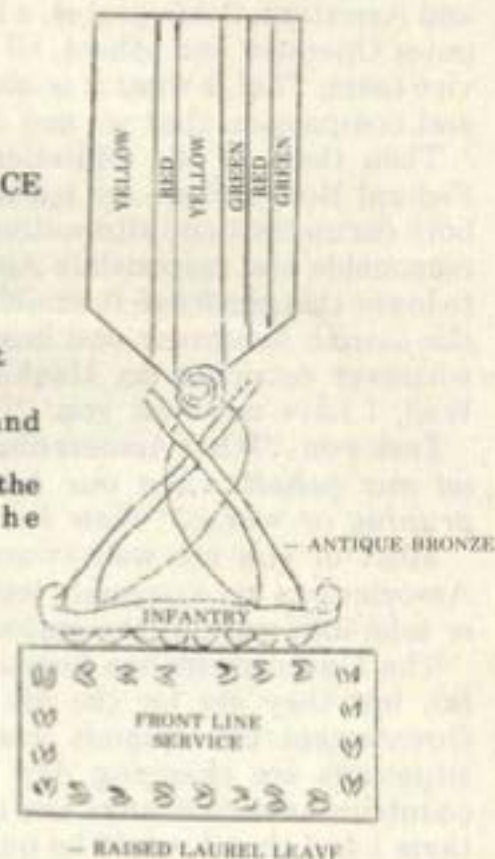
It is desired to have this medal on thousands of chests for next Anzac Day, which is the 50th Anniversary of the formation of our war-time Army.

So, please, do not delay in asking your secretary to order your symbol of FRONT LINE SERVICE.

THE FRONT LINE SERVICE MEDAL

Medal 6x4 cm

Colour of Ribbon —
YELLOW represents the desert
GREEN represents the jungle
RED represents Infantry and Army colour
The RED strip also symbolises the bloody sacrifices of the Infantryman.



APPLICANTS FOR THIS PRIVATE MEDAL MUST HAVE HAD FRONT LINE INFANTRY SERVICE WITH THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY.

by Veterans' Associations as a Leader in the Veteran Community and that recognition, I will not allow to deteriorate.

T.P.I. House has been virtually reconstructed with offices being provided for the State Welfare Director, Treasurer, Editor, Library, Administration offices and surrounds, and is now a pleasure to visit. As I understand it, your Headquarters is by far superior to that of other States.

Elaborating on the improvement to members' services and welfare needs, we now have a State Welfare Director and Assistant, 2 Advocates, a hard-working Editor, a Computer Operator and others, all completing a dedicated service team. *That is what it is about.* The hands of friendship and compassion that we can offer to our members.

Then there is our affiliation and association with our Federal Body, where we speak to and are recognised, by both incumbent and alternative Governments as a rational, reasonable and responsible Association. We cannot afford to lower this platform. It would be patently absurd to adopt the ostrich syndrome and bury our heads in the sand, or whatever ostriches do, thinking "she'll be right mate!". Well, I have news for you. "It won't!"

I ask you, *"What Association would leap into the breach on our behalf when our benefits are under threat of pruning or worse?" Now I will answer you. "NONE!"*

Most of you are well aware that members of kindred Associations are extremely jealous of our benefits but never take into account the parlous state of a T.P.I.'s health.

The Government has honoured all promises to us thus far, but they are for the life of this Parliament and no Government can commit itself beyond that. The world situations are changing day by day and most Western countries have to change and adapt to meet current conditions I feel that I would be quite correct in assuming that 1989 will be a year of challenge not only for the T.P.I. Association members, but for all other self interest and welfare groups as well.

Should any member or friend of the Association have ideas that could be of assistance to our newly formed Fund Raising Committee, we would be extremely happy to receive them.

Poem; Why?

Why does the sun so brightly shine
and rain fall in due season
is this because of sheer good luck
or is there a better deeper reason?

Children love to run and dance
they think of little other
their feet on earth safely prance
without the aid of doting mother.

As soon as they are old enough
they pursue their wilful way
if the going gets real tough
'tis bad luck people say.

Teen-agers whilst still at school
know much of smokes and grog
try all the things that blow their cool
which leave them in a mental fog.

Folks will marry "its love they say"
but some forget their sacred vow
hop into others beds along the way
condoms make it safe some trow

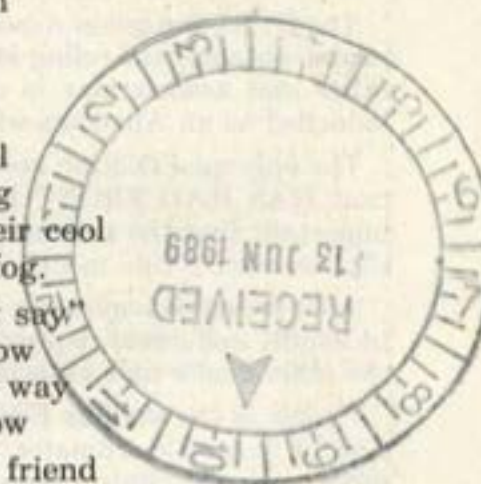
But do not fool yourselves my friend
nothing saves us 'though we cuss
when bodies go too far to mend
save for the grace of he who died for us

Why has he spared my worn old frame
to last beyond four score years
'though many parts are worn and lame
from carrying its great load of fears?

Learned folk dwell on the origin of man
but their conclusions leave answers short
which those with closed minds cannot scan
but my maker has all the reasons sought

He loves us all that's why.

John J Taylor





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