

# ENLISTMENT, OATH OF SERVICE, AND DESCRIPTION RANGER FORCE

Company.....Special..... Ranger Force, Station Sonora, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Travis..... }

I, J. K. Lancaster....., born in Coleman  
in the State of Texas....., aged 43..... years and 11..... months, and by occupation a  
Peace Officer.....do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this 10th..... day of  
November....., 1931....., as a private in the Ranger Force of this State, for the period of two years,  
unless sooner discharged by proper authority. Without compensation.  
~~And I do also agree to accept from the State of Texas such~~  
~~bounty, pay, subsistence and other expenses as are or may be established by law.~~ And I do solemnly swear  
that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as an officer of  
the Ranger Force according to the best of my skill and ability, agreeably to the Constitution and laws of the  
United States and of this State, and I do further solemnly swear that since the adoption of the Constitution  
of this State, I being a citizen of this State, have not fought a duel with deadly weapons, nor have I acted  
as second in carrying a challenge, or aided, advised or assisted any person thus offending. And I further-  
more answer that I have not, directly or indirectly, paid, offered or promised to pay, contributed nor promised  
to contribute, any money or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, to secure my appoint-  
ment. So help me God.

*J. K. Lancaster*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th..... day of November..... A. D. 1931.....

*Lucy Jane Morris*  
Notary Public, County of Travis.....

Fill in description below.

I certify that J. K. Lancaster....., the above named man, has been carefully examined by me  
previous to his enlistment, and to the best of my knowledge and belief he is physically able, competent to and  
will faithfully perform the duties incumbent on him in accordance with law. This man is 43..... years  
11..... months of age. Height 5..... feet 11..... inches. Complexion Fair Eyes Brown  
Hair Light..... Born at Coleman..... County of Coleman..... State of Texas.....  
Weight 150 lbs...... Residence Sonora, Texas.  
Occupation Peace Officer..... Married or single Married..... Previous service.....

Remarks: .....

Recommended by: R. E. Aldwell  
B. W. Hutcherson.

Captain Co..... Ranger Force.

SPECIAL

*Has. Cancelled.*

A. G. O. Form 21.  
Authorized July 7, 1905.

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**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

Enlisted Nov. 10, 1931. ....

Expires January 20, 1933.

**OATH OF MEMBERS  
RANGER FORCE**

Name ..... Lancaster, J. K. ....

Rank ..... Ranger. ....

Company ..... Special ..... Ranger Force

Station ..... Sonora, Texas. ....

# THE STATE OF TEXAS



## ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

### *Warrant of Authority and Descriptive List*

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the bearer..... J. K. Lancaster

is a Special Ranger in ~~Company~~ the Ranger Force, State of Texas, and this is his Warrant of Authority as a Ranger, under an Act of the 36th Legislature of the State of Texas, Approved March 31, 1919, and Descriptive List for identification, and will be exhibited as his authority to Act as a Ranger when called upon for his credentials. This warrant must be surrendered to Company Commander by bearer when discharged. This Warrant of Authority and Descriptive List is signed by The Adjutant General under seal of office and attested by Company Commander.

Name J. K. Lancaster. Rank Ranger.  
Age 43 yrs. 11 mo. Where born Coleman, Texas.  
Height 5 ft. 11 in. Occupation Peace Officer.  
Weight 150 lbs. Residence Sonora, Texas.  
Hair Light Enlisted Where Austin, Texas.  
Eyes Brown. Enlisted When November 10, 1931.  
Complexion Fair. Enlisted by Whom W. W. Sterling,  
The Adjutant General.

This warrant of authority is void after January 20, 1933.  
and must be returned to this Department for Cancellation.

*Honorable cancelled*

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 10th

day of November 1931.

*W. W. Sterling*  
The Adjutant General.

Attest: .....

Captain Ranger Force  
Commanding Co.....

# ENLISTMENT, OATH OF SERVICE, AND DESCRIPTION RANGER FORCE

Company.....Ranger Force, Station.....

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Travis }

I, J.K. Lancaster , born in Coleman County

in the State of Texas , aged 41 years and 11 months, and by occupation a

Peace officer do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this 13th day of one  
November , 1929 , as a private in the Ranger Force of this State, for the period of ~~two~~ years,

unless sooner discharged by proper authority. ~~And I do also agree to accept from the State of Texas such~~  
~~county pay, subsistence and other expenses as are or may be established by law.~~ Without comensation

And I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as an officer of the Ranger Force according to the best of my skill and ability, agreeably to the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, and I do further solemnly swear that since the adoption of the Constitution of this State, I being a citizen of this State, have not fought a duel with deadly weapons, nor have I acted as second in carrying a challenge, or aided, advised or assisted any person thus offending. And I furthermore swear that I have not, directly nor indirectly, paid, offered or promised to pay, contributed nor promised to contribute, any money or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, to secure my appointment. So help me God.

J.K. Lancaster

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of November A. D. 1929.

Edith Heiligbradt

Fill in description below. Notary Public, Travis Co. Texas

I certify that J.K. Lancaster , the above named man, has been carefully examined by me previous to his enlistment, and to the best of my knowledge and belief he is physically able, competent to and will faithfully perform the duties incumbent on him in accordance with law. This man is 41 years 11 months of age. Height Five feet 11 inches. Complexion Fair Eyes Brown Hair Light Born at Coleman County of Travis State of Texas Occupation Peace officer Married or single Married Previous service.....

Residence Sonora

Remarks: Exhibits as required Co. Judge Johnson Co. Commission Letters Co. Letters to Gov. Mealy in "J" file Capt. Warner requesting Johnson's date to be removed

Caption Co.....Ranger Force.

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**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

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**OATH OF MEMBERS  
RANGER FORCE**

Inspt. Sutton Co. L. S. Assn.

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Name J. K. Lancaster

Rank Private

Company....., Ranger Force

Station Sonora

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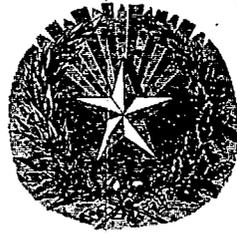
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Warrant dated November 13, 1929

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# THE STATE OF TEXAS



## ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

### *Warrant of Authority and Descriptive List*

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the bearer J. K. Lancaster  
 is a Private in ~~Company~~ the          Ranger Force, State of Texas, and this  
 is his Warrant of Authority as a Ranger, under an Act of the 36th Legislature of the State of Texas, Ap-  
 proved March 31, 1919, and Descriptive List for identification, and will be exhibited as his authority to  
 act as a Ranger when called upon for his credentials. This warrant must be surrendered to Company  
 Commander by bearer when discharged. This Warrant of Authority and Descriptive List is signed by  
 The Adjutant General under seal of office and attested by Company Commander.

Name J. K. Lancaster Rank Private  
 Age 41 years 11 months Where born Coleman County, Texas  
 Height Five feet 11 inches Occupation Peace officer  
 Hair Light brown Enlisted Where Austin, Texas  
 Eyes Brown Enlisted When November 13, 1929

Complexion Fair Enlisted by Whom Col. Taylor Nichols  
 This warrant of authority is void after November 13, 1930, and also  
 becomes void at any time the holder leaves the employ of the Sutton  
 County Live Stock ~~Protective~~ Assn., and must in either event be re-  
 turned to this Department for cancellation.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 13th  
 day of November 1929

*Taylor Nichols*  
 The Adjutant General.

Attest: *R. W. Hedrick*  
 Captain Ranger Force

Commanding Co.