

ENLISTMENT, OATH OF SERVICE, AND DESCRIPTION RANGER FORCE

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Hidalgo }

I, M. C. Smith, born in Santa Maria, Cameron Co.

in the State of Texas, aged 27 years and 10 months, and by occupation a

stock raiser do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this 3rd day of

December, 1917, as a ^{special} 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 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 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.

M. C. Smith

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3rd day of December A. D. 1917

Alex. Whelan,

Notary Public, Hidalgo Co., Texas

I certify that....., 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 27 years

10 months of age. Height 5 feet 10 inches. Complexion light Eyes blue

Hair brun Born at Santa Maria County of Cameron State of Texas

Occupation Stock raiser Married 'or single single Previous service none

in Ranger Service, Lived on Texas Border all his life.

Remarks: Mercedes, Texas.

Captain Co..... Ranger Force.

6 December, 1917

M.C. Smith,
Mercedes, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith, warrant of
authority as Special Ranger without com-
pensation in the Texas Ranger Force.

Yours very truly,

The Adjutant General

THE STATE OF TEXAS



ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Warrant of Authority and Descriptive List

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the bearer M.C. SMITH
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 27th Legislature of the State of Texas, Ap-
proved March 29th, 1901, 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 M.C. Smith Rank Private
Age 27 Yrs. 10 Mos. Where born Cameron County, Texas.
Height 5 Ft. 10 inches Occupation Stockman
Hair Brown Enlisted Where Austin, Texas
Eyes Blue Enlisted When 3 December, 1917
Complexion Light Enlisted by Whom Adjutant General

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 6th
day of December, A.D., 1917

James Harley
The Adjutant General.

Attest: _____
Captain Ranger Force
Commanding Co. _____