

OFFICER'S FITNESS REPORT  
NAVPERS-310A (REV. 6-45)

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17 JAN 1949

DATE 4 January 1949

1. NAME (last) (first) (middle) RANK AND CLASSIFICATION FILE NO.  
BROWN, Jesse Leroy MIDN USN C504477/1310

SHIP OR STATION

Commander Air Force, Atlantic Fleet, NAS, Norfolk, Virginia.

PERIOD OF REPORT (mo., day, year)  
DATE FROM 14 November 1948 DATE TO 3 January 1949

DATE OF REPORTING TO  
PRESENT SHIP OR STATION  
14 November 1948

OCCASION FOR REPORT

☒ DETACHMENT OF OFFICER REPORTED ON ☐ DETACHMENT OF REPORTING SENIOR ☐ REGULAR SEMI-ANNUAL ☐ QUARTERLY ☐ SPECIAL

2. DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES SINCE LAST FITNESS REPORT (List most recent first and describe accurately. Include periods of leave, transit, etc., also include employment of ship.)

FROM		TO	
MO.	YR.	MO.	YR.
11	48	1	49

FAETULANT, Student under instruction

Has present duty changed since last fitness report was submitted? ☒ Yes ☐ No

3. IF COURSES OF INSTRUCTION WERE COMPLETED DURING PERIOD OF THIS REPORT, LIST TITLE OF COURSE, LOCATION OF SCHOOL.

Are you physically qualified for Sea Duty? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know

FAETULANT, NAS, Norfolk, Va. A.E.W. Radar, A.S.W., 3½ wks.

4. If Aviator, Indicate No. of Flight Hours Last Two Years for Each Type Aircraft (List Most Recent Type First)

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	F6F-5	SNJ	N2S				TOTAL
NO. OF HOURS	120	210	10				340

5. MY PREFERENCE FOR NEXT DUTY IS:

SEA KIND OF DUTY VF32 LOCATION Quonset Pt. R.I.  
SHORE KIND OF DUTY VF171 LOCATION Quonset Pt. R.I.

6. SECTIONS 6 THROUGH 12 TO BE FILLED IN BY REPORTING OFFICER

NAME OF REPORTING OFFICER RANK FILE NO. OFFICIAL STATUS RELATIVE TO OFFICER REPORTED ON  
K.M. KRIEGER, CDR, 0061901 Force Personnel Officer.

IS THIS OFFICER QUALIFIED TO PERFORM ALL HIS PRESENT DUTIES? ☐ YES ☐ NO

INDICATE MORE RESPONSIBLE DUTIES FOR WHICH HE IS IN TRAINING. (If none, so state)

DATE OF EXPECTED QUALIFICATION

Comment on special or outstanding qualifications as well as any physical defects, which should be considered in determining the kinds of duty to which he should be detailed. Only comments on qualifications significant in detailing should be entered here. ANY COMMENTS REGARDING FITNESS FOR PROMOTION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN SECTION 12 ONLY OF PAGE 1.

FOR WHAT DUTIES IS HE RECOMMENDED?

ASHORE

AFLOAT

7. FOR EACH FACTOR OBSERVED CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX TO INDICATE HOW THE OFFICER COMPARES WITH ALL OTHERS OF THE SAME RANK, CLASSIFICATION AND CORPS WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY. DO NOT LIMIT THIS COMPARISON ONLY TO THE OTHERS NOW UNDER YOUR COMMAND. DO NOT HESITATE TO MARK "NOT OBSERVED" ON ANY QUALITY WHEN APPROPRIATE. NO ENTRY WHICH IS MADE IN THIS SECTION WILL BE CONSIDERED AN UNSATISFACTORY REPORT WHICH MUST BE REFERRED TO THE OFFICER FOR STATEMENT. ONLY ENTRIES DESIGNATED IN SECTIONS 8, 9, 11 AND 12 WILL BE SO CONSIDERED.

RATING FACTORS

A. SEA OR ADVANCE BASE DUTY

How does this officer compare in:  
NOTE: ITEM (A8) TO BE MARKED FOR ALL OFFICERS.

1. STANDING DECK WATCHES UNDERWAY?
2. ABILITY TO COMMAND?
3. PERFORMANCE IN PRESENT DUTIES AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2, ABOVE?
4. REACTIONS DURING EMERGENCIES?
5. PERFORMANCE AT BATTLE STATION OR IN BATTLE DUTIES?

B. INITIATIVE AND RESPONSIBILITY

How well does this officer:

1. ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY WHEN SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ARE LACKING?
2. GIVE FRANK OPINIONS WHEN ASKED OR VOLUNTEER THEM WHEN NECESSARY TO AVOID MISTAKES?
3. FOLLOW THROUGH DESPITE OBSTACLES IN CARRYING OUT RESPONSIBILITIES ASSIGNED OR ASSUMED?

C. UNDERSTANDING AND SKILL

How well does this officer:

1. UNDERSTAND INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN, AND USE SUGGESTIONS OFFERED?
2. EXERCISE JUDGMENT?
3. RATE IN TECHNICAL COMPETENCE IN HIS SPECIALTY, IF ANY? (Name Specialty)

D. LEADERSHIP

How well does this officer:

1. INSPIRE SUBORDINATES TO WORK TO THE MAXIMUM OF THEIR CAPACITY?
2. EFFECTIVELY DELEGATE TASKS AND AUTHORITY?
3. TRANSMIT ORDERS, INSTRUCTIONS, AND PLANS?
4. ORGANIZE HIS WORK AND THAT OF THOSE UNDER HIS COMMAND OR SUPERVISION?
5. MAINTAIN DISCIPLINE AMONG THOSE UNDER HIS COMMAND OR DIRECTION?

E. CONDUCT AND WORK HABITS

How does this officer compare in:

1. ABILITY TO WORK WITH OTHERS?
2. ABILITY TO ADAPT TO CHANGING NEEDS AND CONDITIONS?
3. MILITARY CONDUCT—BEARING, DRESS, COURTESY, ETC.?

8. INDICATE YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD HAVING THIS OFFICER UNDER YOUR COMMAND, WOULD YOU:

(Check one)  
☐ DEFINITELY NOT WANT HIM? (UNSATISFACTORY) ☐ PREFER NOT TO HAVE HIM? (UNSATISFACTORY) ☐ BE SATISFIED TO HAVE HIM? ☐ BE PLEASED TO HAVE HIM? ☐ PARTICULARLY DESIRE HIM?

9a. Considering All Officers of the Same Rank, Classification and Corps, Whose Professional Abilities Are Known to You Personally, Would You Promote Him:

(Check one)  
☐ UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES? (Unsatisfactory) ☐ IF 50% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? ☐ IF 75% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? ☐ IF 90% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? ☐ IF ONLY 10% WERE TO BE PROMOTED?

9b. How many Officers are included in the group used for the comparison in 9a?  
☐ 10 OR LESS ☐ 10 TO 50 ☐ OVER 50

10. COMMENT IN SECTION 12 AND GIVE REFERENCE HERE TO ANY COMMENDABLE OR ADVERSE REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ON THE OFFICER DURING THIS PERIOD.

11. HAVE YOU ANY ADVERSE COMMENTS TO MAKE REGARDING THIS OFFICER'S QUALITIES OR PERFORMANCE?  
HAS HE ANY MENTAL OR MORAL WEAKNESS WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS HIS EFFICIENCY?

☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, explain in Section 12.  
☐ YES ☐ NO

UNSATISFACTORY. Yes in either Item of Section 11 constitutes an unsatisfactory report and must be referred to the officer for statement.

12. Give in this space a clear, concise appraisal of the officer reported on and his performance of duty, including any worthy of special mention. Include recommendations as to promotion. Any statements of unsatisfactory performance, ability, character, or conduct must be referred to the officer for statement. Statements of a constructive nature which refer to minor imperfections or lack of qualifications do not constitute an unsatisfactory report. For example: "This officer was a little slow in getting started but is now making good progress" or "This officer is well qualified in his present duties but has had no experience at sea" would not be unsatisfactory in nature.

Check one of these boxes — I CONSIDER THIS REPORT TO BE ☐ SATISFACTORY ☐ UNFAVORABLE ☐ UNSATISFACTORY

DO NOT LEAVE BLANK

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER REPORTED ON (Applies only to Sections 1 through 5)

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICER

Has this report been shown or referred to officer reported on? ☐ Yes ☐ No

When completed remove carbon paper, forward Pages 1 and 2, not detached, to BuPers. Retain Page 3 for "Officer's Qualification Record jacket".  
PAGE 1



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1. NAME <b>BROWN Jesse L.</b>			2. SERVICE NO. <b>G 504477</b>		
3. RATE ABBREVIATION <b>MIDN</b>		4. DESIGNATOR <b>1310</b>		5. DESIGNATOR QUALIFICATIONS	
6. BRANCH OF SERVICE <b>USN</b>		7. DUTY ASSIGNED <b>DUT</b>		8. DATE ENLISTED <b>45</b>	
9. PLACE ENLISTED <b>Mattiesbure</b>		10. DATE ENLISTMENT EXPIRES <b>NRWD</b>		11. NEXT LONGEVITY <b>7-7-49</b>	
12. FOR YEARS <b>3</b>		13. COLOR <b>Negro</b>		14. SEX <b>M</b>	
15. DATE OF BIRTH <b>10-13-26</b>		16. LANGUAGE ABILITY <b>None</b>		17. TOTAL AWARDS	
18. LIMITED DUTY <b>Qual</b>					
19. CURRENT TOUR DATE <b>1-4-49</b>		20. CUM. MOS. OUT <b>APSDIF</b>		21. ACTIVE DUTY DATE <b>2-1-47</b>	
22. DEPENDENTS <b>None</b>		23. DATE		24. CODE	
25. COMBAT QUALIFICATION, SPECIAL QUALIFICATION, SERVICE SCHOOL COMPLETED					
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>1-6-49</b>  <b>Naval Aviator</b>  <b>Aviation Equip</b> </div> <div style="font-size: 4em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2</div> <div> <b>HTA</b>  <b>Ass't Operations Officer</b> </div> </div>					
26.		27.		28.	
29.		30.		31.	
32.		33.		34. UNIT ATTACHED <b>FIGHTING SQUADRON THIRTY TWO</b>	
35. DATE RECEIVED <b>1-4-49</b>		36. RECEIVED FROM <b>ComAirLant</b>		37. RECEIPT AUTHORITY <b>CAL Orders FF-13-2/P16-4/00 Midn.</b>	

FIGHTING SQUADRON THIRTY TWO  
c/o Fleet Post Office  
New York, New York

FIRST ENDORSEMENT: on  
CAL, FFI 3-2/P16-4700  
dtd. 3 January 1949

4 January 1949

From: The Commanding Officer.  
To : Midshipman, Jesse L. BROWN, U.S. NAVY. C504477

Subject: Change of Duty.

1. Reported this date

E. D. WILLEMS

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY  
*Jesse L. Brown*



FIGHTING SQUADRON THIRTY TWO  
c/o Fleet Post Office  
New York, New York

4 January 1949

FIRST ENDORSEMENT: on  
CAL, FF13-2/P16-4/00  
dtd. 3 January 1949

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1. Reported this date

E. D. WILLEMS

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY  
Ens. J. E. Nelson  
admin. VF-32

VF-32 Serial

UNITED STATES ATLANTIC FLEET  
AIR FORCE  
FIGHTING SQUADRON THIRTY-TWO



c/o Fleet Post Office  
New York, New York  
10 January 1949

*sent orig to CB.*  
From: The Commanding Officer.  
To : The Bureau of Naval Personnel.

Subject: ComAirLant FF13-2/P16-4/00 of 3 January 1949, Change of duty orders for:  
Midshipman Jesse L. BROWN, USN, C504477 - Compliance with upon completion of travel.

1. Original and three (3) copies of subject orders with all endorsements are hereby forwarded.

*E. D. Willems*  
E. D. WILLEMS



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993 18 76

From: Chief of Naval Personnel

3 February 1949

To: General Accounting Office  
Claims Division  
Washington 25, D. C.

Subj: BROWN, Jesse Leroy, 993 18 76, Ex-AS, USNR  
Claim for flight pay

Ref: (a) GAO file No. Navy-2951728-AS-RWG.

1. Information received from the Naval Records Management Center, New Orleans, La., indicates the subject man was undergoing selective flight training at the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill. from 15 March 1947 through 5 April 1947. He was entitled to reimbursement under the provisions of the Naval Aviation Cadet Act of 1942, therefore, was not entitled to aviation pay for the period indicated.

2. Further information received from Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill. fail to indicate that the subject man is entitled to aviation pay.

I. J. MAYNARD  
By direction

Finished File 4-UP-11  
*Bpc*



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## NAVY DEPARTMENT

AND REFER TO INITIALS

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

504477/1310-2

17 MAR 1949

Midshipman Jesse L. Brown, USN.

AIR MAIL

To:

Via:

Commanding Officer,  
Fighter Squadron 32,  
c/o Fleet Post Office,  
New York, New York.

Subj:

Appointment in the U. S. Navy

Ref:

(a) BuPers Circular Letter No. 216-47,  
dated 7 November 1947, as modified by BuPers  
Circular Letter No. 83-48, dated 8 May 1948.

Encl:

(A) Blank forms of Acceptance and Oath of Office.

1. Pursuant to Subsection 2 of Section 6(a), Public Law No. 729, 79th Congress (Act of 13 August 1946), the President of the United States, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoints you an Ensign in the Navy, to rank from the 3rd day of June 1949.

2. The delivery of this appointment is hereby made subject to the provisions of reference (a).

3. The original copy of the acceptance and oath of office shall be forwarded to the Bureau of Naval Personnel, attention Pers-366.

4. A commission evidencing this appointment (if accepted) will be forwarded at a later date.

5. If this appointment is declined or for any reason is not delivered, all correspondence shall be returned to the Chief of Naval Personnel, attention Pers-366, together with an explanatory statement.

6. This appointment shall not be delivered prior to 15 April 1949.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:

John L. Sullivan

Secretary of the Navy.

Registered:

J. B. GRAGG

For the Chief of Naval Personnel.

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ACCEPTANCE AND OATH OF OFFICE  
NAVPERS-339 (REV. 11-48)

INSTRUCTIONS: Use blue ink  
Original and one white copy—Bureau of Naval Personnel  
Blue copy—Appointee  
Pink copy—Commanding Officer (If inactive, copy to CNART or District Comdt.)  
Yellow copies—Disbursing (If active or in Organized Reserves)

FROM: BROWN, Jesse Leroy Ensign USN 504477/1310  
(Name of appointee) (Rank) (Corps)\* (File and designator numbers)\*  
TO: SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (Bureau of Naval Personnel) Pers-366  
VIA: The Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LEYTE (CV-32)  
(Title of commanding officer (or) reporting senior)

I, Jesse Leroy Brown  
(Full name of appointee)

(Check one)  
having been ☒ PERMANENTLY ☐ TEMPORARILY appointed a Ensign U. S. Navy ☒ USN ☐ USNR  
(Give rank) (Corps or classification) (Check one)

to rank from the 3rd day of June 1949, do accept such appointment and do solemnly swear (or affirm)  
that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign or domestic; that I will bear true faith  
and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well  
and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

Jesse Leroy Brown  
Jesse Leroy Brown  
(Signature of appointee in full)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April, 1949

William L. Erdmann  
William L. Erdmann, Captain USN  
(Signature and rank of witnessing officer)

\*When appropriate.

EFFECTIVE DATE  
(Enter "effective date" stated in appointment or commission; if not so stated, leave this box blank)

IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST APPOINTMENT TO OFFICER RANK IN NAVY, GIVE DATE OF BIRTH  
13 October 1926

AUTHORIZING REFERENCE  
(Enter the word "Commission" or indicate originator and file number of appointing letter or dispatch)  
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504477/1310

ENDORSEMENT—1

FROM: The Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LEYTE (CV-32) DATE 15 April 1949  
(Title of commanding officer (or) reporting senior)

TO: SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (Bureau of Naval Personnel) Pers 366

1. Forwarded.

William L. Erdmann  
William L. Erdmann, Captain USN  
(Signature of commanding officer (or) reporting senior)



# REPORT OF BENEFICIARIES

NAVPERS-601 (1-45)

☒ OFFICER ☐ ENLISTED

1 May 1949

(Date)

BROWN, Jesse Leroy  
(Last name) (First) (Middle)

504477 ENS/1310/6  
(File or service number) (Rank or rate and classification)

U. S. FIGHTER SQUADRON THIRTY-TWO  
(Ship or station)

To carry out the provisions of the acts approved 4 June 1920, 22 May 1928, 12 May 1930, and 17 March 1941, and acts amendatory thereof directing the payment of 6 months' pay to the widow, children, or dependent relative of any of the personnel on the active list of the Regular Navy, or on the retired list when on active duty, or of any of the personnel of the Naval Reserve called or ordered into active naval service by the Federal Government for extended naval service in excess of 30 days, who dies of wounds or disease not the result of his or her own misconduct, I give below the name and address of my wife or husband and that of each of my children:

NOT MARRIED

(Full name of wife or husband; if not married, so state)

(Address of wife or husband)

NONE

(Full name of child; if none, so state)

(Date of birth)

(Address of child)

(Full name of child)

(Date of birth)

(Address of child)

(Full name of child)

(Date of birth)

(Address of child)

In the event that I am not survived by a wife (or husband) or child, or in the event of their decease prior to payment and collection of the gratuity, I then designate the following person as my dependent beneficiary under the act:

John Brown

(Name in full)

Rt. #1, Hattiesburg, Mississippi

(Address)

Father

(Relationship)

In the event of the death of the above-named beneficiary before payment and collection of the gratuity, I then designate the following person as my dependent beneficiary under the act:

(Name in full)

(Address)

(Relationship)

\*The acts state that death gratuity must be paid to the surviving wife (or husband) or children, if any. In the event of leaving no wife or children, it may then be paid to a designated dependent beneficiary. Every member of the service, whether married or not, should designate a beneficiary (and an alternate, in case of prior death of the primary beneficiary). Failure to make such designation may result in nonpayment of the gratuity. Such designation does not affect payment to a surviving wife (or husband) or children.

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I CERTIFY that I will inform the Bureau of Naval Personnel via my commanding officer immediately of any changes in marital status, or conditions of dependency, or of voluntary occupancy of public quarters by my dependents.

I CERTIFY that there has been no change in condition of dependency between \_\_\_\_\_ and current date, (Date of last report of beneficiaries)

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the facts stated and disclosed in the foregoing are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jesse L. Brown  
(Signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st

day of May, 19 49, I having authority to administer oaths.

E. B. BURGER, LT., USN.  
(Signature) (Rank)

## INSTRUCTIONS

This form must be sworn to before an officer of the United States Navy authorized to administer oaths, or before a notary public.

The full names and addresses of the beneficiaries must be stated carefully. If a married woman, her own given name should be stated; thus: "Mrs. Anna May Smith," not "Mrs. John Smith."

This slip shall be made out and handled as follows:

Officer, Navy: Forward to Bureau of Naval Personnel.

Nurse: Forward to Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Enlisted men, Navy: In duplicate; one copy to Bureau of Naval Personnel, one copy secured inside service record. In cases of men entitled to money allowances for quarters for enlisted men with dependents, two additional copies, bearing the required certificate, to the Disbursing Officer.

New beneficiary slips shall be executed and forwarded as above in all cases of change in status of the grantor or in that of his or her beneficiaries.

In any event, payment will be made to the widow or children, if any, whether designated or not.

Normally casualty notification will be sent to all the beneficiaries designated on this form. If, by reason of unusual circumstances, other special arrangements are desired, a statement should be attached setting forth full instructions including full names, addresses, and relationships.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

Refer to No.  
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504477/1310

BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

Washington 25, D. C.

3 June 1949

From: The Chief of Naval Personnel.  
To: Ens. Jesse LeR. Brown, AVH, USN.  
Via: Commanding Officer,  
Fighter Squadron THIRTY TWO (32),  
c/o Fleet Post Office,  
New York, New York.

Subj: Commission in the Regular Navy.

Encl: (A) Subject commission.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith.
2. Execution of a new oath of office is not required.

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*J. B. Gragg*  
J. B. GRAGG,  
By direction.

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