

301 Union Bank Bldg,
Victoria B.C.
Jan 14th 22

Col Urguhart D.S.O.,-M.C. etc
16th Canadian Scottish,

Dear Sir,

In accordance with your request of this date I beg to submit the following,

On my return from OVERSEAS Dec 1919, I received a telegram from Col Peck, V.C., D.S.O. etc, that I was appointed to the office of Musketry officer of the 16th Bn and was instructed to go ahead and form a Rifle association to help along the recruiting and keep the Bn in front of the public, this I did, as evidence of same you have on file, Capt S. Johnson M.C., adj at that time gave me the necessary instructions which were followed out, I might state at that time there was no recruits, and the association was formed of old shots that were to be put on the strength later as they one and all did not wish to be tied down to Service, I succeeded in bringing them into the Bn since that time you were given a winning team, which holds the premier position in B.C.

From time to time I made enquiries as to ratification of appointment through Daily orders, and was given to understand that none had been ratified, later I noticed that certain officers were listed, my name was not amongst them, I again made enquiries and was informed by Major D.B. Martyn that I was put through, this was not apparently correct as on repeatedly asking Capt Hills that gentleman stated that he had no record of such, in the meantime I was informed that another officer had been appointed, I willingly worked under this officer at the Ranges during the summer months and assisted the younger shots, and gave all the assistance possible, I again spoke to Capt Hills who again stated that I was not on the strength, two days ago I received a message from Capt Hills stating that I was on the strength but had been delegated to the Reserve by Capt S. Johnson, I think that you would have exasperated at such treatment, and so sent in my resignation,

I can assure you that I have never treated Capt Hills other than an officer and a gentleman and fail to understand his treatment of myself under your signature, I have been a regular and Volunteer soldier since 1888 continuously, and have in my possession commendation from the highest authority for my work extract below,

truly,

Signed,- F Richardson

Note If I was ever appointed as M.I. for the Bn will you be kind enough to protect my pay during the period of Dec 1919 to date of resignation

Signed,- F R