

CAP:JSB

October 23, 1928.

Miss Lenore Houston,
209 Hurley-Wright Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of October 20, 1928, in which you tender your resignation as Special Agent in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, and the same is hereby accepted as tendered, effective at the close of business on November 7, 1928.

Very truly yours,

John G. Sargent

Attorney General.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

October 23, 1928.

Memorandum for the Appointment Clerk:

This is to advise you that Special Agent
Lenore Houston will be on leave without pay from
October 20, 1928, to November 7, 1928, both dates
inclusive, at which time her resignation will be
~~come effective.~~

J. E. Hoover
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

October 13, 1928.

Memorandum for the Appointment Clerk:

This is to advise that Special Agent
L. Houston returned to duty status from leave
without pay at 9:00 A.M. on October 9, 1928.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
Director.

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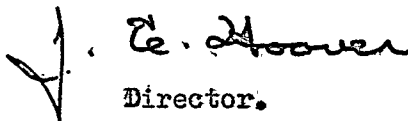
JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

September 24, 1928.

Memorandum for the Appointment Clerk:

This is to advise you that Special Agent
Lenore Houston is to be carried on leave without
pay, beginning at the close of business on September
15, 1928, for an indefinite period.


Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

June 29, 1928.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE APPOINTMENT CLERK:

This is to advise you that Miss
Lenore Houston, Special Agent, was on leave without pay
for ten days, from June 15th to 24th, 1928.

J. E. Hoover
Director.

CBS:MR

April 1, 1927.

Miss L. Houston,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice.

Madam:

Your salary as Special Agent is hereby increased from \$5000 per annum to \$5100 per annum in grade CAF-8, effective today and payable from the appropriation for "Detection and Prosecution of Crimes".

Respectfully,

(Signed) J. G. Sargent.

Attorney General.

FC 15406

Field

PERSONAL HISTORY

(Statement to be prepared by appointee in his own handwriting)

Bureau, division, or office _____

1. Name in full Lenore Houston (Miss)

2. Legal (voting) residence Pennsylvania, 2nd Dist. Phila. Phila
(State and Congressional District) (County) (City or town)

3. Where born? Pennsylvania Calloway When born? Aug. 12, 1878
(State or foreign country) (City or town) (Date)

4. If foreign, state whether naturalized or alien _____

5. Indicate sex, marital condition, and race by check, thus:

SEX		MARITAL CONDITION				RACE. (If other, state which)	
Male	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White	Colored

6. A complete record of your past civil service for the United States Government:

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	POSITION	SALARY	DATE APPOINTED			DATE SEPARATED		
			Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year
<u>none</u>								

7. Military and naval record. If any, check (✓) to indicate branch and other information and give dates of enlistment and discharge:

None	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Coast Guard	War Veteran	Pensioner	Veterans' Bureau beneficiary
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Enlisted _____ Discharged _____ Enlisted _____ Discharged _____

Organization _____ Organization _____

8. EDUCATION (Circle number of years)	Common school	High school	College	Degrees, if any
	(1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8)	(1-2-3-4)	(1-2-3-4)	

9. State special qualifications 3 yrs. - 8 mos. continuous
employment - Bureau of Investigation.

10. Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency:

Mrs. E. R. Houston Mother
(Name) (Relationship)
Burlington Hotel - Washington - D.C.
(Post office address)

I certify that the foregoing answers are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Lenore Houston
(Name as usually written and which will be used as official signature)

August 31, 1927.
(Date)

Present address Burlington Hotel
Washington, D.C.
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

CBS:VFM

October 14, 1926

Miss L. Houston,

Bureau of Investigation.

Sir:

Your salary as Special Agent is hereby increased from \$2,900 per annum to \$3,000 per annum, in grade Caf 5, effective on the 15th instant, and payable from the same appropriation.

Respectfully,

(signed) John G. Sargent

Attorney General.

FC 5803

FIELD

Special Agent;

oath May 21, 1926, e.o.d.

January 1, 1926 (under

change in Grade reported

on No. 1138.

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Phila

I, Lenore Houston, do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United State against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith an 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 of
..... Special Agent (under change in Grade effective January 1, 1926)

on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

(Sign here) *Lenore Houston*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this) Where born (State only) Pennsylvania
..... 24th day) Date of birth August 12, 1878
of May A.D. 192 6) Whence appointed:
State Penna..... County Philadelphia
Congressional District 2nd.....

..... *H. R. Manley*
~~Notary Public.~~
United States Commissioner
Eastern District of Pennsylvania



Date of entry upon duty January 16, 1926

Residence Apt. 2-E Lenox Apartments, 13th & Spruce Sts.

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See 1138

May 7, 1926.

Miss V. Houston,

Care Bureau of Investigation,

Washington, D.C.

Madam:

Your salary as Special Agent, Bureau of Investigation,
is hereby increased from \$2800 per annum to \$3900 per annum,
in Grade Caf 8, effective May 15, 1926.

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) WILLIAM D. MITCHELL

Acting Attorney General.

V. C. 15428. Field.

January 7, 1926.

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Mr. Lenoir Houston,
Special Agent,
Bureau of Investigation,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your grade is hereby changed from Caf 7 to Caf 8,
without change in compensation, and effective January 16,
1926.

Respectfully,

Attorney General.

Salary \$2000 per annum.

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Field

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CBS:VEM

November 17, 1924.

Miss Lenore Houston,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice.

Madam:

Your designation is hereby changed from
Special Employee to that of Special Agent,
Bureau of Investigation, without change in com-
pensation and effective with entry on duty.

You should execute the required oath of
office.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Earlan F. Stone

Attorney General.

Grade CAF 7 - \$2800 per annum. Field.

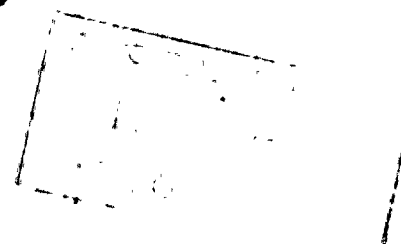
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DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
AND REFER TO
INITIALS AND NUMBER

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Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.



November 6, 1924.

Memorandum for the Appointment Clerk:

You will please prepare a letter changing the designation of Lenore Houston from Special Employee to that of Special Agent, Bureau of Investigation, no change in compensation, payable from the appropriation for "Detection & Prosecution of Crimes", effective with entry on duty. Field.

J. E. Hoover
Acting Director.

A. M. ...
Attorney General.

Grade Caf 7 - \$2800 pa.
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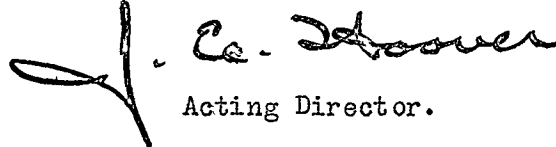
November 8, 1924.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MARTIN:

I am attaching hereto the recommendation for the change of status of Miss Lenore Houston, from Special Employee to that of Special Agent.

^{has} You will recall that this is the case that Congressman Grand called at the Department in connection with, a few days ago. If you will have the Attorney General approve this recommendation, then the record will be clear and all parties will be satisfied.

Very truly yours,


Acting Director.

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I,.....Louise Houston.....,do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and 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 of.....Special Agent, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice..... on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

Louise Houston

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Subscribed and sworn to) Where born (state only) Pennsylvania
 before me this 1st day) Whence appointed:
 of December A.D. 1924) State Pa., County Phila.
N. R. Hawley) Congressional District 6th
 United States Commissioner
 Eastern District of Pennsylvania

(SEAL) ~~NOTARY PUBLIC~~

Date of birth...Aug. 12, 1878.....
 Date of entry upon duty...Dec. 1, 1924.....
 Official address, P. O. Box 451, Philadelphia, Pa.

file
October 31, 1924.

Hon. George S. Graham,
32 South Broad Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Graham:

Received your letter of October 30th relative to the change of designation of Miss Houston.

I wrote you yesterday informing you that the Acting Director of the Bureau of Investigation, Mr. Hoover, had taken this matter up with us. You may recall that during the Senate Investigation this Bureau was subjected to considerable criticism and attack. Attorney General Stone, when he assumed his official position here, made certain rules and regulations such as cancelling all so-called honorary appointments as Special Deputy Marshals, Special Agents of the Bureau of Investigation, and made it a rule that no Special Agents would be appointed hereafter excepting certified accountants and members of the bar.

Because of the rules made by the Attorney General and the question of classification, Miss Houston's designation has necessarily been changed. The Attorney General has made no exception to any of these rules for reasons I am sure you will appreciate. Will be glad to explain in full to you and sorry that the present designation cannot remain.

The Acting Director informs us that the original designation was erroneous and that a change will not affect the amount of salary.

Sincerely yours,

WARREN F. MARTIN

Special Assistant to the
Attorney General.

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COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Oct. 30th 1924

My dear Martin:- I received your telegram saying:
 "Card you mention is identification card and simply replaces old card of Bureau of Investigation Agents which was signed by former Attorney General, for new card signed by Attorney General Stone. Miss Houston evidently misunderstands whole matter."

This does not cover the point of objection which is a change in her designation.

In the card signed by former Atty General Dougherty she was called "Special Agent" and in the card sent up for her signature she is called "Special Employee". Why cannot she still be what she was appointed to be a "Special Agent" it is more dignified and highly appreciated.

Have the new card call her "Special Agent" just as the old one did. I would wish this very much.

Wm Warren F. Martin
 Special Asst. ^{Atty} General.

Very truly yours -
 G. S. Graham
 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 NOV 1 1924
 MAIL ROOM DIV
 Martin

I hereby certify that the following person possesses
the ability and qualifications that justify the allowance
of the additional compensation provided by the Act approved
March 4, 1923.

Lenore Houston, Special Employee, \$7.00 per
day, effective January 16, 1924.

M. Burns
Director.

I hereby certify that the ability and qualifications
personal to the above named employee are such as to entitle
her on and after the above mentioned date to the additional
compensation of \$240 per annum as provided by the Act approved
March 4, 1923.

For the Attorney General,

Rush Stewart
Assistant Attorney General.

Act 910

CBS:V2B

January 14, 1924.

Miss Lenore Houston,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Madam:

You are hereby appointed a Special Employee of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, with salary at the rate of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) a day. You will also be allowed your actual expenses of travel and operation and Four Dollars (\$4.00) a day in lieu of subsistence when absent from official headquarters, which are fixed at Philadelphia, Pa.

Your salary, expenses, and per diem will be paid from the appropriation for "Detection and Prosecution of Crimes".

This appointment will take effect when you enter on duty.

This letter is not to be considered as operating credentials and is not to be so used. Operating credentials are issued separately.

You should execute and file the required oath of office.

Respectfully,

(Signed) H. M. Daugherty.

Attorney General.

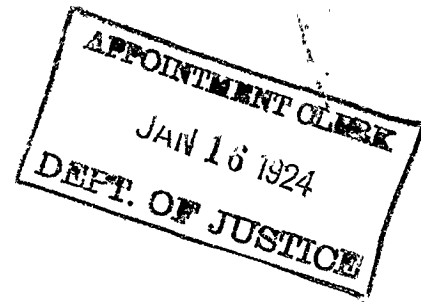
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WM. J. BURNS
DIRECTOR



Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.



JAR:MG

January 14, 1924.

Memorandum for the Appointment Clerk:

You will please prepare a letter appointing Miss Lenore Houston as Special Employee, Bureau of Investigation, salary at the rate of \$7.00 per day and \$4.00 per diem in lieu of subsistence and actual expenses of travel and operation when absent from official headquarters, which are fixed at Philadelphia, Pa., payable from the appropriation for "Detection & Prosecution of Crimes", effective with entry on duty. Field. This is a new appointment.


Director.

Approved:



Attorney General.

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I, Louise Houston, do solemnly

swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and 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 of
Special Employee, Bureau of Investigation,

on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

(Sign here) Louise Houston

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this

16th

day

of Jan

, A. D. 1924

Where born (State only)

Pennsylvania

Date of birth

Aug 12, 1878

Whence appointed:

State Pennsylvania, County Philadelphia

Congressional District 4th

SEAL

Chas. B. Bomborger
Notary Public.

Date of entry upon duty,

January 16, 1924

Residence

4516 Springfield Ave
Near Phila.

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