

4th AUSTR. INFANTRY Brigade. 4th AUSTRALIAN Division. 1st ANZAC Corps. 1st OCTOBER 1917 Date of Recommendation.

Schedule No. (to be left blank)	Unit	Regtl. No.	Rank and Name	Action for which commended	Recommended by	Honour or Reward	(To be left blank)
	18th BATTAL- ION A.I.F.	3540	Private (Lance Corporal) Joseph O'NEILL.	For the very gallant and capable manner in which he carried out his duties during operations near SOMMERSET on the 25th September 1917. This non-commissioned officer was in charge of a section during the advance, and his handling of his men in action and under very heavy shell and machine gun fire, was such as to reduce cas- ualties to a minimum. He was successful in dealing with three isolated parties of the enemy and captured some twelve prisoners. After the objective was taken and con- solidated he organised and personally led a par- ty of stretcher bearers to tend our wounded, three of whom he personally and at great personal risk removed to places of safety. By his example and cheerfulness under very trying circumstances this non-commissioned officer set an excellent example to all men in his vicinity. He is recommended for distinction.	<i>[Signature]</i> Lieut.-Colonel Commanding 16th Batta. A.I.F.	Military Medal	
Battalion	received	passed					
Brigade	1-10-17	4-10-17					
Division	6-10-17	6-10-17					
Brigade	6-10-17	7-10-17					
Battalion	6-10-17						
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Division	6-10-17						
				(sgd) E.G. SINCLAIR MACLAGAN Major-General, Commanding 4th Australian Division.			