DESCRIPTION OF AWM 131

1. AWM 131, the Roll of Honour circulars, [1914-1918 War] is a series of printed forms sent out in the 1920s by the Department of Defence and returned usually by the deceased individual's next-of-kin or Executor-of-Will. The circulars allowed the next-of-kin to provide particulars required for the Roll of Honour and for use by the official historian. These particulars included the town or district with which the person was chiefly connected, because originally the Roll of Honour was to be arranged by place and not, as it is now, by units.

2. The circulars are arranged in alphabetical order of surnames, and, within surname groups, by forenames. Occasionally there is a discrepancy between the forenames typed on the front of the document and those written on the back. For the most part, the typescript has been given precedence.