

**Name** Willa B. Brown **Field:** Aviation  
 Teacher of Aviation Subjects  
 WPA Adult Education Program, Chicago

**Plan of Work**

I expect to continue my aviation studies until I am prepared to pass the standard United States Civil Aeronautics Authority examinations granting me the (1) flight instructor's rating, (2) the ground school instructor's rating, (3) an instrument rating in classes one and two-S.

Wishes to attend Aeronautical University, Chicago, and Coffey Flying Service, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Has been admitted. Probable duration of study one year beginning September, 1940. Will not return to present position.

**Personal Data** Born Glasgow, Kentucky, January, 1906. Single. **Age:** 34

**Undergraduate Work** Indiana State Teachers College, A. B., 1931.

**Graduate Work** Northwestern University, 1934, 1937.  
 Aeronautical University, 1935, 1936, 1939 - (evenings)  
 Coffey Flying School, daily for seven years, 1933-40,  
 Limited Commercial Pilot's Certificate of Competency.

**Experience** Teacher, Gary Board of Education, 1927-32, \$2000; cashier, Walgreen Company, 1932-35, \$800; clerk-secretary, United States Civil Service, 1935-37, \$1440; secretary, Dr. Julian Lewis, University of Chicago, 1937-38, \$900; secretary, Dr. Theodore K. Lawless, Chicago, 1938-39, \$900; secretary, WPA, Jan.-Dec., 1939, \$1000; teacher, WPA Adult Education Program, Dec. 1939 - , \$1000.

**Accomplishments** As secretary of the National Airmen's Association have helped to influence legislation toward getting Negroes the opportunity to participate in the Civilian Pilot Training Program. This recognition has been recorded in proceedings of the Military Affairs Committee, Committee on Naval Affairs, Time magazine, and numerous newspaper publications.

Have collaborated with a number of newspaper and magazine reporters in publishing articles of technical aviation nature, but have no separate and distinct publications.

**References**

L. M. Churbuck, President, Aeronautical University, Chicago  
 C. R. Coffey, President, Coffey Flying School, Harlem Airport  
 Fred Schumacher, Manager, Harlem Airport, Oak Lawn, Illinois  
 Enoc P. Waters, Jr., City Editor, Chicago Defender  
 Arthur La Pointe, Jr. Teacher, Aviation Subjects, Calumet  
 High School, Chicago

**Budget Summary**

Total Amount Needed	\$2500.00
From Applicant	
From Fund	\$2500.00

AMOUNT GRANTED

**Plan of Work** x **Photograph** x **Sent to Committee**  
**Transcripts** x **Exhibit Material**  
 Indiana State Teachers College

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