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AMY CLOUD ROCKWELL, COMPLAINANT

VS.

OWEN LORENZO ROCKWELL, RESPONDENT.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY.

TO THE HONORABLE F.W. HARE, JUDGE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, SITTING IN EQUITY.

Your Oratrix, Amy Cloud Rockwell, shows unto your Honor that she is a resident of the County of Mobile, State of Alabama and that she is over the age of twenty-one years; that Owen Lorenzo Rockwell, the respondent is a resident of Baldwin County, State of Alabama and is over the age of twenty-one years and thereupon your cratrix complains and shows unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

- 1. Your Oratrix shows unto your Honor that Oratrix has been a bona fide resident of this state for one year next preceding the filing of this bill.
- 2. That Oratrix and Respondent inter-married on or about March 12, 1932 in the City of Fairhope, County of Baldwin, State of Alabama and ever since have been and now are husband and wife.
- 3. Your Oratrix shows unto your Honor that there are three children namely: Sarah Otelia Rockwell, born March 29, 1934 now six and one-half years old; Wilma Ann Rockwell, born on or about October 3, 1936 now abour four years old; and Margaret Cecile Rockwell, born on or about May 26, 1938, now two years and four months, born to Oratrix and Respondent.
- 4. That on diverse occasions between the dates of September 1939 and August 29, 1940 Respondent has conducted himself towards Oratrix in such a manner as to cause her to be apprehensive of violence attended with danger to her life, her limb and her health. That on or about september, 1939 Respondent bruised Oratrix' arms and wrists; on or about December 24, 1939 Respondent held Oratrix' wrists and refused to allow Oratrix to leave the house. A struggle ensued in which Oratrix was injured. On or about January 28, 1940 Respondent struck Oratrix on back and sides. On or about

February 28, 1940 Respondent struck Oratrix on the mouth causing her mouth to bleed and also bruised Oratrix wrists and arms. On or about August 29, 1940 your Respondent attempted to choke Uratrix and waved a hammer at her head and threatened to beat her to death and the Respondent has been guilty to extreme and repeated cruelty to your Oratrix. During all this time there were numerous occasions when threats were made.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Your Oratrix also prays your Honor to grant to her all appropriate and legal process and that the same be directed to the said Owen Lorenzo Rockwell, Respondent, commanding him to personally appear before the Honorable Court within the time required by law, and to then and there answer fully and completely the several paragraphs of this Bill of Complaint, and that he be required to abide and obey all orders and decrees of this Court, which to your Honor may seem meet and proper.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Your Oratrix prays that she be granted a judicial separation from hed and board between herself and Respondent.

That she be awarded the custody and care of her three children.

That Respondent be required to provide a reasonable sum for the support of your Oratrix and for the support of her three children.

Your Oratrix further prays that Respondent may be required to pay a reasonable sum to the Court to defray the expenses of this action and the counsel fees.

Yours Oratrix prays for such other further and general relief that she may be entitled to in equity and good conscience.

Complainant.

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By Richard Demeree

Solicitor for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA TO ANY SHERIFF IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA. COUNTY OF BALDWIN

You are hereby commanded to summon Owen Lorenzo Rockwell

who resides at Fairhope, Alabama and whose occupation is as a farmer, to appear within thirty days from the service of this writ in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, to be held for said County at the Place of holding the same, then and there to answer the Bill of Complaint of Amy Cloud Rock-Witness my hand this L day of Left, 1940. well.

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STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF BALDWIN

Amy Cloud Rockwell, being duly sworn, says that she is the Complainant whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Bill of Complaint; that she has heard the above Bill of Complaint read, and knows the contents thereof; that the said Bill of Complaint is true of her own knowledge; except as to the matters and things therein stated to be upon information and belief, and as to those matters and things she believes it to be true.

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Subscribed and sworn to by the said Amy Cloud Rockwell before me, this 4th day of September A.D., 1940.

Richard Demese Notary Public, Notary Public, Notary Ala

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