

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

Circuit Court, In Equity

Lillian Hale, Complainant

vs.

Rufus Hale, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Confesso~~ on Answer and waiver and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in said bill.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved, and that the said Lillian Hale is forever divorced from the said Rufus Hale for and on account of Voluntary Abandonment

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said appeal.

It is further ordered that the Complainant and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that Lillian Hale the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 4th day of August, 1950

Jeffery J. Mashburn
Judge Circuit Court, In Equity

I, Alice J. Duck Register of the Circuit

Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original decree rendered by the Judge of the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said decree is on file and enrolled in my office.

Witness my hand and seal this the _____ day of _____, 19_____

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY

In Circuit Court, In Equity

Lillian Hale

Complainant

vs.

Rufus Hale

Respondent

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ALICE J. DUCK, Registered

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITIONS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

Circuit Court

TO: Evelyn Watts

KNOW YE: that we, having full faith in your prudence and competency, have appointed you Commissioner, and by these presents do authorize you, at such time and place as you may appoint, to call before you and examine Lillian Hale and Thomas T. Ing.

as witnesses in behalf of Lillian Hale in a cause pending in our Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Lillian Hale

Complainant
and Rufus Hale

Respondent

on oath, to be by you administered, upon Evelyn Watts
to take and certify the deposition of the witness and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 25th day of July, 1945

David J. Dwyer
Register.

Commissioner's Fee, \$

Witness' Fees, \$

No. _____

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

William Hale

Complainant

vs.

Rufus Hale

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

WITNESSES:

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

Lillian Hale

Complainant

VS.

Rufus Hale

Respondent

I, Evelyn Watts

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Lillian Hale and Thomas T. Ing

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 26 day of July
1945, at the office of Hubert M. Hall
in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Lillian Hale and Thomas T.
Ing doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Lillian Hale. I am over twenty-one years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. The Respondent Rufus Hale, is over twenty-one years of age, a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. The Respondent and I married at Bay Minette, in June, 1940, and we lived together as husband and wife, until in November, 1945.

The Respondent in November, 1945, voluntarily abandoned my bed and board and has remained away voluntarily and continuously since that time.

Lillian Hale.

A witness for the Complainant being first duly sworn, deposes and says: I am personally acquainted with Lillian Hale and Rufus Hale, and have known them for the past ten years or more. I have had occasion to see them from time to time and have seen Rufus Hale almost every day. He and I live in the same community. I know that Lillian Hale and Rufus Hale have not lived together since in November 1945, during which time the Respondent, Rufus Hale has contributed nothing toward the support of Lillian Hale.

Thomas T. Ing

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Evelyn Watts, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness es and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself and Hubert M. Hall at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness; that I am not of counsel or of kin to any of the parties to said cause, or any manner interested in the result thereof

I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court.

Given under my hand and seal, this 25 day of July, 1945

Evelyn Watts (L.S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

William Hale

vs. Complainant

Rufus Hale

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

Filed 7-26, 1945

Hubert M. Hall, Register.

Recorded in

Vol. _____ Page _____, Record _____, Register.

Lillian Hale

vs.

Rufus Hale

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint, _____

Answer and waiver, testimony of Lillian Hale and Thomas T. Inc.

and in behalf of Defendant upon _____ answer and waiver

Wing J. H. H. H.

Register.

STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon Rufus Hale, to appear and plead, answer or demur within thirty days from the service hereof, to the bill of Complaint filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, by Lillian Hale,, as Complainant and against Rufus Hale, as Respondent.

WITNESS My hand this 22nd day of May, 1950.

W. J. Ocker
Register

LILLIAN HALE

COMPLAINANT

VS

RUFUS HALE

RESPONDENT

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

TO HONORABLE TELFAIR J. MASHBURN, JR., JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Your Complainant, Lillian Hale, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant and the Respondent are both over twenty-one years of age and bona fide residents of Baldwin County, Alabama.

2.

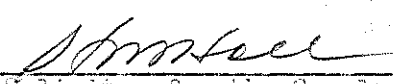
That your Complainant and the Respondent married at Bay Minette, Alabama, in June, 1940, and lived together as husband and wife until in November 1945.

3.

That in November 1945, the Respondent voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of your Complainant and has remained away voluntarily and continuously since that time.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, your Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process make the said Rufus Hale, party Respondent to this bill of Complaint, requiring him to plead, answer or demur to the same within the time and under the penalties prescribed by law and the practice of this Honorable Court.

Complainant further prays that upon a final hearing hereof your Honor will make and enter a decree forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between your Complainant and the Respondent; that she be granted such other, further, different or general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive.


Solicitor for the Complainant

RECORDED

NO 2474

Executed 6-1 1950
by serving copy of within Summons and
Complaint on

Rufus Hall

Lillian Hall

v

Rufus Hall

Wm. L. Melvin Sheriff
by W. F. Hall Deputy Sheriff

Summons ^{and} Complaint

Original sent

FILED

MAY 22 1950

ALICE J. DUCK, Register

KIRLIAN HALE

COMPLAINANT

VS

RUFUS HALE

RESPONDENT

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

Now comes the Respondent and accept service of the summons and complaint in this cause.

The Respondent admits the allegations as to ages, residences, and marriage, but denies all other allegations contained in the bill of complaint, and demands strict proof of the same.

The Respondent waives notice of the time of taking of testimony on behalf of the Complainant; the right to cross examined Complainant's witnesses; and agrees that this cause be submitted for final decree without further notice.

Rufus Hale

STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

I, H. M. HALL, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Rufus Hale, whose name is signed to the foregoing instrument, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 24 day of July, 1950.

H. M. Hall
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Ala.

LILLIAN HALE

COMPLAINANT

VS

RUFUS HALE

RESPONDENT

ANSWER AND WAIVER

Filed 7-24-50
Alice French
Reg -

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