

DIVORCE DECREE

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

Circuit Court, In Equity

EUNICE HINOTE

, Complainant

vs.

THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE

, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Confesso~~ 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 EUNICE HINOTE is forever divorced from the said THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE for and on account of

CRUELTY

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that complainant may resume her maiden name, Eunice Dove.

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 THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE

the DEFENDANT pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 31st day of January, 1950.

Julian J. Mashburn Jr.
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 31st day
of January, 1950.

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

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The State of Alabama
Baldwin County

In Circuit Court, In Equity

Complainant
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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

EUNICE HINOTE

Complainant

VS.

THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE

Respondent

I, Madeline Bryars

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Eunice Hinote and Betty Dove

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 30 day of January
1948, at the office of W. C. Beebe

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witnesses to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Eunice Hinote and Betty Dove
doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Eunice Hinote. I am 18 years of age. I am the wife of Thomas Preston Hinote. He is over the age of 21 years. We both live in Bay Minette and have lived here continuously for more than 3 years. We were married at Bay Minette, May 28, 1948 and lived together until January 24, 1950, when we separated at Bay Minette because of his cruelty. He is a man of violent and ungovernable temper and during our married life has frequently become mad at me and has on numerous occasions struck me and threatened to kill me and he has grown worse. On the evening of the 24th he threw me down and struck me in the face with his fists and in doing so left bruises on my body and on my face. He was drinking and he threatened to kill me. I left him and have been afraid to go back to him. I am afraid that he would carry out his threats and do me bodily harm attendant with danger to my life or health.

We have no children. We have not lived together since our separation. I have tried time and time again to get him to change, but instead of changing for the better he gets worse. He fuses all of the time and curses and abuses me. His conduct on the 24th was more violent than it had been before.

Eunice Hinote

My name is Betty Dove. I am a sister to Eunice Hinote. For several months he has been cruel to Eunice and on three or four occasions that I know of he has struck her. He is drinking and his drinking is getting worse. On the evening of January 24th Eunice came to the City Hotel where I live with my mother, and showed me the bruises on her body where he had struck her and thrown her down. She was crying and she was afraid to go back to him. The bruises were bad. She had several large blue places on her body and her face was bruised.

Betty Dove

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Madeline Bryars, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing depositions on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness AS and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself and W. C. Peebe

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witnesses or had proom made before me of the identity of said witnesses; 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 31 day of January, 1950

William Beebe (L.S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

_____ vs. Complainant _____

_____ Respondent. _____

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register

EUNICE HINOTE
COMPLAINANT

VS

THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE
DEFENDANT

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

And now comes the defendant, Thomas Preston Hinote, in his own proper person and accepts service of the summons and complaint in the above styled cause, and denies each and every allegation contained in the bill of complaint, and demands strict proof of the same.

The defendant waives notice of the time of taking testimony on behalf of complainant, the right to cross-examine complainant's witnesses, and agrees that this cause be submitted forthwith for final decree without further notice.

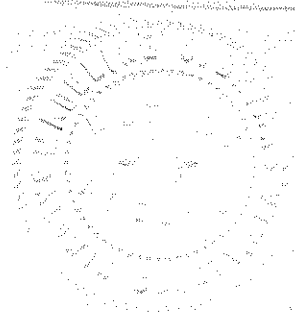
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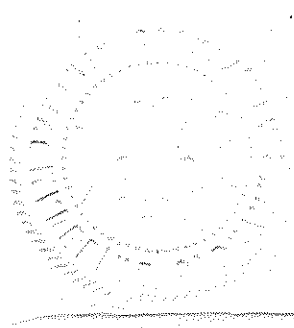
STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

I, *Madeline L. Bowers* a Notary Public in and for said State and County, hereby certify that Thomas Preston Hinote, 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 the instrument, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 31 day of January, 1950.

Madeline L. Bowers
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Ala.





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EUNICE HINOTE Complainant
vs.
THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE Respondent

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

No. _____

DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION

COMES the Complainant, by attorney, and represents to the Court as follows:

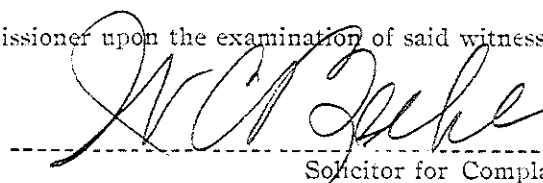
1. That the following named witnesses reside within one hundred miles from Bay Minette
_____, in the County of Baldwin
Alabama, the place of trial of said cause, to-wit: Eunice Hinote and Betty Dove

2. That said Complainant requires an oral examination of said witnesses before a Commissioner appointed by the Register of this Court.


Solicitor for Complainant

NOTE:

Complainant suggests the name of Madeline Bryars
as a suitable and competent person to act as commissioner upon the examination of said witnesses.


Solicitor for Complainant.

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITIONS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Circuit Court

TO: MADELINE BRYARS

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 EUNICE HINOTE AND BETTY DOVE

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

EUNICE HINOTE IS, Complainant and

THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE Respondent

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

Witness 30 day of January, 1947

W. J. Nichols
Register.

Commissioner's Fee, \$ 5.00

Witness' Fees, \$

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

Complainant

vs.

Defendant

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WITNESSES

ALICE J. DUCK, Register

EUNICE HINOTE

COMPLAINANT

vs.

THOMAS PRESTON HINOTE

DEFENDANT

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 & waiver, testimony

and in behalf of Defendant upon answer and waiver.

W C Beebe
Alice J. Duck

Register.

That your complainant and the said defendant are husband and wife, having intermarried at Bay Minette, May 28, 1948, that they lived together as husband and wife in Bay Minette until January 24, 1950, when your complainant

SECOND:

of complaint. years continuously next preceding the filing of this bill Baldwin County where they have resided for more than three of 21 years, that they are both residents of Bay Minette in that the defendant, Thomas Preston Hinoje, is over the age That your complainant is over the age of 18 years,

FIRST:

Hinoje respectfully shows unto your Honor: styled cause and humbly complaining against Thomas Preston Comes your complainant, Eunice Hinoje, in the above

TO THE HONORABLE TELAIR J. MASHURN, JR., JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

EUNICE HINOJE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
COMPLAINANT
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VS
THOMAS PRESTON HINOJE
DEFENDANT
IN EQUITY.

Eunice Hinoje
Register

WITNESS, ALICE J. DUCK, Register of said Circuit Court, this 31 day of January, 1950.

You are hereby commanded to summon THOMAS PRESTON HINOJE to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, in equity, within thirty days after the service of summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a bill of complaint lately exhibited by EUNICE HINOJE against the said THOMAS PRESTON HINOJE and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf, and this the defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty of the law.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA, GREETINGS:

STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

because of cruelty of the defendant was compelled to leave the defendant, that there were no children born to complainant and defendant. Complainant's maiden name was Eunice Dove.

THIRD:

That the defendant is a man of violent and ungovernable temper and without just cause or excuse has frequently become enraged and has cursed and abused complainant and threatened to kill her. That he has become increasingly more violent and cruel to your complainant and on the evening of January 24th he struck complainant and threatened her and she left him because she feared that should she continue to live with him he would inflict bodily injury upon her attendant with danger to her life or health.

WHEREFORE your complainant prays that this Honorable Court will take jurisdiction of the cause and by appropriate process make the said Thomas Preston Hall party defendant

hereto and require him to plead, answer or demur to the same within the time and under the pains and penalties prescribed by law and the practice of this Honorable Court.

Complainant further prays that upon the final hearing of this cause this Honorable Court will make and enter a

decree forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between this complainant and the said defendant; that she be permitted to resume her maiden name, Eunice Dove, and

complainant prays for such other, further or different relief as in equity and good conscience she shall be entitled to

receive in the premises.

Solicitor for Complainant.