

# The State Of Alabama, Baldwin County

## CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Orria Inez Wilson Complainant  
 VS  
James Leonard Wilson Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Answer and Waiver of Defendant~~ ~~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 Orria Inez Wilson

is forever divorced from the said James Leonard Wilson  
 for and on account of Cruelty

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 Orria Inez Wilson and James Leonard Wilson be, and ~~are~~ hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that James Leonard Wilson the defendant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1922  
J. M. Hare  
 Judge Circuit Court, in Equity.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, 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\_\_\_\_

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 Register of Circuit Court, in Equity.

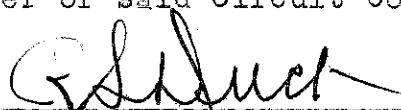


STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA - GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, that you summon JAMES LEONARD WILSON to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, exercising Chancery Jurisdiction within sixty days after the service of the summons, and there to answer, plead or demur without oath to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by ORRIA INEZ WILSON against the said JAMES LEONARD WILSON and further to do and perform what the said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf, and this the Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty et. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, R. S. DUCK, Register of said Circuit Court, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 1943.

  
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Register.

ORRIA INEZ WILSON  
                  COMPLAINANT  
VS  
JAMES LEONARD WILSON  
                  DEFENDANT

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

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

Now comes your Complainant, ORRIA INEZ WILSON and humbly complaining against the Defendant, JAMES LEONARD WILSON, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant and the said Defendant JAMES LEONARD WILSON are residents of Baldwin County, Alabama where they have resided continuously since February 6, 1943, and they are both over the age of twenty-one years.

2.

That your Complainant and the said Defendant are husband and wife having intermarried at Uriah, March 17, 1936 and there was born to this wedlock three children, namely, Meryles Yvonne, Wilson, aged

six years, William Franklin Wilson, aged four years and Mary Ella Wilson, aged 1 year.

3.

That your Complainant and the said Defendant lived together as husband and wife until July 13, 1943, when your Defendant in a fit of anger, without just cause or provocation cursed and abused this Complainant and beat her severely and threatened to kill her. That from his conduct and physical violence this Complainant has reasonable apprehension to believe and does believe that he will do her bodily harm attendant to her life and health. This occurred in Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS.

Wherefore, the premises considered, your Complainant prays that your Honor will, by proper process, make the said James Leonard Wilson, party Defendant 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 give and grant unto her an absolute decree of divorce, forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between her and the Defendant, that your Honor will give or grant unto him such other, further or different relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive, and as in duty bound she will ever pray.

BEEBE & HALL

By

*W. C. Beebe*

Solicitors for Complainant.

CORRIANEZ WILSON  
Complainant

VS

JAMES LEONARD WILSON  
Defendant

In the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama

In Equity

Comes said Defendant in the above styled cause and waives notice of application to take depositions of complainant's witnesses; waives notice of the time and place of taking such depositions and of the right to cross examine the witnesses and consents that the cause be set down for hearing on motion of the complainant's attorney without notice to him.

  
James Leonard Wilson  
Defendant.

Orria Inez Wilson .....  
Complainant,  
VS.  
James Leonard Wilson .....  
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: Orria Inez Wilson,  
W. H. Wilson and Raymond Clark  
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.....;

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

Beebe & Hall  
By: *W. C. Beebe*  
Solicitor for Complainant.

NOTE:

Complainant suggests the name of Virginia Keel.....,  
as a suitable and competent person to act as commissioner upon the examination of said witnesses.

Beebe & Hall  
By: *W. C. Beebe*  
Solicitor for Complainant.

ORRIA INEZ WILSON  
Complainant

VS

JAMES LEONARD WILSON  
Defendant

In the Circuit Court

Baldwin County, Alabama.

In Equity.

Comes the Defendant, JAMES LEONARD WILSON, and answering Complainant's complaint admits the allegations made in paragraphs 1 and 2 of said complainant's bill of complaint but he denies all the allegations in paragraph 3 and says that he has not struck complainant or in any way abused complainant. Having fully answered prays that he may go hence with his reasonable costs.

*James Leonard Wilson*

Defendant

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County

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CIRCUIT COURT

TO Virginia Keel

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 Orria Inez Wilson / W. H. Wilson Raymond Clark

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

Orria Inez Wilson is

Complainant

and

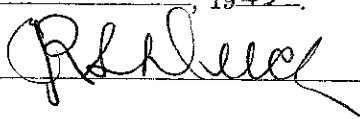
James Leonard Wilson is

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon oral examination

to take and certify the depositions of the witness s and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 19 th day of July, 1943.



REGISTER

Commissioner's Fee \$ 5.00 Paid by Complainant

Witness' Fees, \$ none



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DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION.

Orria Inez Wilson.....

Complainant,

Vs.

James Leonard Wilson.....

Respondent.

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

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**  
**CIRCUIT COURT**

Orria Inez Wilson  
**Complainant**

VS.

Jaems Leonard Wilson  
**Defendant**

**Commission To Take Deposition**

**COMMISSIONER:**

Virginia Keel

**Witnesses:**

The State of Alabama }  
Baldwin County

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,  
(In Equity)

ORRIA INEZ WILSON COMPLAINANT

VS.

JAMES LEONARD WILSON RESPONDENT

I, VIRGINIA KEEL

~~As Register and~~ Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me ORRIA INEZ WILSON and

W. H. WILSON RAYMOND CLARK

witnessES named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 20 day of July

1943, at the office of BEEBE & HALL

in BAY MINETTE, Alabama, and having first sworn said witnesses to speak the

truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said ORRIA INEZ WILSON

doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Orria Inez Wilson. I am the Complainant in the casse of Orria Inez Wilson ws. James Leonard Wilson, pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in equity for divorce. We are both over the age of twenty-one years and reside at Bay Minette in Baldwin County, Alabama, where we have resided continuously since February 6, 1943, that we married at Uriah on March 17, 1936. We have three children, Meryles Yvonne Wilson, aged 6 years, William Franklin Wilson aged 4 years and Mary Ella Wilson aged 1 year. That recently my husband has become at various times angered at me without just cause or excuse and on the evening of July 13th became angered at me and abused me and struck me and beat me severely and made bruises on or about my body. He is continuing to grow worse and I fear if I continued to live with him he would do me bodily harm attendant with injury to my health or may kill me. We separated immediately after and have not lived together since. This occured in Bay Minette in Baldwin County, Alabama.

Orria Inez Wilson

W. H. Wilson, having first been duly sworn doth depose and say as follows:

My name is W. H. Wilson. I am the father of James Leonard Wilson, Defendant in the cause of Orria Inez Wilson vs. James Leonard Wilson, in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County in Equity for divorce. They lived within a few hundred yards from where I live in Bay Minette. I was not present when they had a fuss on July 13th. Both of them told me about it on the next day and he admitted to me that he did beat her. They immediately separated and they have not lived together since.

W. H. Wilson

Raymond Clark, having first been duly sworn doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Raymond Clark. I know Orria Inez Wilson and James Leonard Wilson. I have known them for about seven years. I live about one  
(over)

ORAL EXAMINATION

I, VIRGINIA KEEL, ~~as Register and~~ Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing depositions . . on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness es and read over to me and they signed the same in the presence of myself and W. C. Beebe at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness es or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness es ; 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 20th day of July 1943.

Virginia Keel (L. S.)

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The State of Alabama  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Orria Inez Wilson  
COMPLAINANT

vs.

James Leonard Wilson

RESPONDENT

ORAL DEPOSITION

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hundred yards from him in Bay Minette, Alabama. On Wednesday July 14th James Leonard Wilson told me that he and his wife had had a fuss the night before and that he had slapped her and beat her. I was not present at the time. I do not know the cause of it. She has always seemed to be a dutiful wife. I know of no reason why he should have treated her this way. He told me this on our way to Mobile.

Raymond Clark

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Orria Inez Wilson  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 VS.  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 James Leonard Wilson  
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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
 BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY  
 CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complainant upon the original Bill of Complaint, \_\_\_\_\_

Answer and Waiver of Defendant, Depositions of Orria Inez Wilson,  
W. H. Wilson and Raymond Clark, Request for Decree in Vacation

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and in behalf of Defendant upon \_\_\_\_\_  
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Register.



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No. 970

The State of Alabama,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

Wilson

VS.

Wilson

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 30

day of July 1947

Rodney  
Register.

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN VACATION

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State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

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\_\_\_\_\_ TERM, 1943.

Orria Inez Wilson

Complainant—.

VS.

James Leonard Wilson

Respondent—.

TO R. S. DUCK, REGISTER:

In the above stated cause an answer

having been \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ the Respondent—,  
and evidence having been taken, and the cause being ready for submission for final decree, and  
no defense having been interposed, the complainant—, by Beebe & Hall,  
Solicitor<sup>s</sup>— of record, now files with the Register of this Court this written request to deliver the  
papers in this cause to the Judge for final decree in vacation.

Beebe & Hall

By: W. C. Beebe

Solicitor<sup>s</sup> for Complainant—.

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Orria Inez Wilson  
Complainant—

VS.

James Leonard Wilson

Respondent—

**Request For Decree In Vacation**

Filed July 20, 1947  
R. D. Welch  
Register.