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The State Of Alabama, Baldwin County
CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

CORINE WATERS Complainant

VS

BOWMAN WATERS Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decrees Pro Confesso on _____ 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 CORINE WATERS is forever divorced from the said

BOWMAN WATERS
for and on account of Cruelty

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Respondent pay to the Complainant as permanent alimony the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per month

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 Corine Waters and Bowman Waters be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that Bowman Waters the Respondent pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 10th day of November, 19 43.
J. W. Lane
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 _____

Register of Circuit Court, in Equity.

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The State Of Alabama

Baldwin County

In Circuit Court, In Equity

vs. Complainant

Respondent

DIVORCE DECREE

The State of Alabama, {
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To Bernice F. Reid

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 Corinne Waters and Bama Merchant

as witnesses in behalf of Corinne Waters in a cause pending in our Circuit

Court of Baldwin County, of said State, wherein Corinne Waters

is Complainant

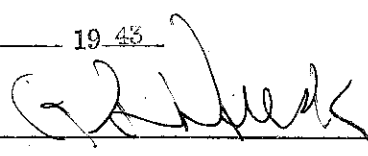
and BOWMAN WATERS

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon September 22nd, 1943

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

Witness 20th day of September 1943



REGISTER

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$ _____

WITNESS' FEES, \$ _____

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY.

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County and State, personally appeared Corinne Waters, who is known to me, and who, having been by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that Bowman Waters is not in the military or naval service of the United States.

Corinne Waters

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 8 day of
October, 1943.

John J. Garner
Notary Public, Baldwin County,
Alabama.

Corine Waters.

Complainant,

Vs.

Bowman Waters.

Respondent.

In the Circuit Court.

In Equity No. _____.

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON PERSONAL SERVICE.

In this cause, it appears to the Register, that service was had on the Respondent _____

Bowman Waters.

by the Sheriff of Baldwin County, on the 16th day of August, 1943.

And it further appears to the Register, that the said _____

Bowman Waters.

_____, the Respondent, having to the date hereof, failed to plead, demur to or answer the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause, it is now, therefore, on motion of Beebe & Hall, Solicitors for Complainant, ordered, and decreed by the Register that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is, in all things taken as confessed against the said _____

Bowman Waters.

This 20th day of Sept., 1943.

Beebe & Hall
Register.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA -- GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, that you summon BOWMAN WATERS 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 CORINNE WATERS against the said BOWMAN WATERS, and further to do and perform what the said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf, and this the Respondent shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your execution thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, R. S. DICK, Register, of said Circuit Court, this the 12 day of August, 1943.


Register.

CORINNE WATERS
COMPLAINANT

VS

BOWMAN WATERS
RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

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

Now comes your complainant, Corinne Waters, and humbly complaining against the Respondent, Bowman Waters, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

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

2.

That they were married at Summerdale, Alabama on August 25, 1923, and lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama until on to-wit; June 29, 1943.

3.

That on, to-wit; June 29, 1943 and at various times prior thereto the Respondent cursed, threatened and abused the Complainant; and on several

occasions did violence to her person; that on, to-wit; June 29, 1943, the Respondent did actual violence to the complainant by choking her; that the conduct of the Respondent is such that the Complainant has every reasonable apprehension to believe, and does believe, that if she continued to live with the Respondent he will do further violence to her person which will necessarily endanger her life and health.

4.

That there was born to the marriage between your Complainant and the Respondent four children who are now living with and dependent on your Complainant; Oscar Waters, Freddie Waters, Maurine Waters and Loreen Waters, ages 17, 15, 13, and 5 years, respectively; that the Complainant has no income other than from her own daily effort; that the Respondent is an able-bodied man regularly employed and making \$50.00 per week; that the Respondent is not a suitable, fit or proper person to have the care, custody and control of the said minor children.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, Complainant prays that your Honor will, by proper process make the said BOWMAN WATERS, party Respondent to this cause of action, 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.

That your Honor will order a reference to determine a reasonable attorneys fee and alimony pendente lite and permanent alimony to be paid by the Respondent and for the Complainant.

Complainant further prays that your Honor will upon the hearing thereof enter an order and decree granting to the Complainant an absolute divorce forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between her and the Respondent; that she be awarded the care, custody and control of the said minor children; Oscar Waters, Freddie Waters, Maurine Waters and Loreen Waters; that the Respondent be required to pay to the Complainant such permanent alimony as to

your Honor may seem just and proper. Complainant prays for such other, further, different or general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive, and as in duty bound she will ever pray.

BE BE & HALL

By *Shaker*
Solicitors for Complainant.

CORINE WATERS,
Complainant,
VS.
BOWMAN WATERS,
Respondent.

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

TO W. R. STUART, SHERIFF OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA:

Complaint having been made before me that the Respondent, Bowman Waters, has failed and refused to comply with a decree rendered in the above styled cause on the 10th day of November, 1943, this is to command you to serve the said Bowman Waters with a summons to be and appear before me, as Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, at 2 P. M. on Monday, the 25th day of September, 1944, to show cause why he should not be adjudged in contempt to Court for his violation of said decree.

This 15th day of September, 1944.



JUDGE

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CORINE WATERS

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BOWMAN WATERS

CORINE WATERS,
Complainant,
VS.
BOWMAN WATERS,
Respondent.

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

TO BOWMAN WATERS:

Complaint having been made before me that you have failed and refused to comply with the decree of this Court rendered in this cause on the 10th day of November, 1943, You are hereby ordered to appear before me, as Judge of said Court, at 2 P. M. on Monday, 25th day of September, 1944, to show cause why you should not be adjudged in contempt to court for your failure to comply with the terms of said decree.

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Dated at Monroeville, Alabama, this 15th day of September,

MONROEVILLE

G. V. Hare

JUDGE

CORINE WATERS,
COMPLAINANT

VS

BOWMAN WATERS,
RESPONDENT

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:

Your Petitioner, CORINE WATERS, respectfully represents
and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That she is a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama,
living at Robertsdale;

2.

That Bowman Waters is a bona fide resident of Baldwin County,
Alabama, living at Robertsdale.

3.

That your Petitioner secured a decree of divorce in this Court
against Bowman Waters on November 10th, 1943; that the decree provided
that the Respondent, Bowman Waters, pay to the Complainant, your Petitioner,
the sum of \$50.00 per month as permanent alimony.

4.

Your Petitioner further shows that the said Bowman Waters
has failed and/or refused to make any payments as required under the
decree.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays that citation issue to the
said Bowman Waters requiring him to show cause why he has not complied
with the decree of this Court.

Corine Waters
Petitioner.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
on this the 13th day of August, 1944.

John Lee

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

CORINE WATERS,
Complainant,
VS.
BOWMAN WATERS,
Respondent.

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

TO BOWMAN WATERS:

Complaint having been made before me that you have failed and refused to comply with the decree of this Court rendered in this cause on the 10th day of November, 1943, You are hereby ordered to appear before me, as Judge of said Court, at 2 P. M. on Monday, 25th day of September, 1944, to show cause why you should not be adjudged in contempt to court for your failure to comply with the terms of said decree.

Dated at Monroeville, Alabama, this 15th day of September,
1944.



JUDGE

No. 985

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

Complainant,

Vs.

Respondent.

**DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON
PERSONAL SERVICE.**

Issued this 22 day of Sept

1943

[Signature]

Register.

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT

CORINNE WALTERS

Complainant

VS.

BOWMAN WALTERS

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

WITNESSES:

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Executed Aug 16th 1943
by serving copy of within Summons and
Complaint on

Barnum Waters

By W.R. Stuart Sheriff
Lucien & Edell Deputy Sheriff

2nd Day 12 19 43
W.R. Stuart

Complaint

Received in Sheriff's Office
this 2nd day of Aug, 1943
W. R. STUART, Sheriff

Barnum Waters
or
Barnum Waters

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CORINE WATERS

VS.

BOWMAN WATERS

O R D E R

[Handwritten signature]

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CORINE WATERS, Plaintiff,
vs.
BOWMAN WATERS, Defendant.
This case was heard and tried on the 14th day of August, 1954.
The Court finds that the Defendant is the author of the work
entitled "The Story of the American People" and that the
Plaintiff has copied and published the same without the
written consent of the Defendant.
The Court therefore grants the Plaintiff's prayer for
injunctive relief and awards her the costs of this action.
So ordered.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Court this 14th day of August, 1954.

Clerk of the Court

WITNESSED my hand and the seal of the Court this 14th day of August, 1954.

Clerk of the Court

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CORINE WATERS, COMPLAINANT

VS

BOWMAN WATERS, RESPONDENT

PETITION FOR CITATION.

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Richard

Filed August 19, 1944
Richard
Proctor

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CORINE WATERS

VS.

BOWMAN WATERS

Executed Sept 22 1944
by serving copy of within Citation
~~Complaint~~ CR

Bowman Waters

W.R. Stuart

By B. H. J. J. J.

C I T A T I O N

Received in Sheriff's Office
this 22 day of Sept, 1944
W. R. STUART, Sheriff

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

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

CORINNE WATERS Complainant.

VS.

BOWMAN WATERS Respondent.

I, Bernice F. Reid

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Corinne Waters and Bama Merchant

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 22 day of September
1924, 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 Corinne Waters and Bama Merchant
doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Corinne Waters. I am a bona fide resident of
Baldwin County, Alabama, living at Robertsdale. I am over twenty one years
of age, and the Respondent, Bowman Waters is over twenty one years of age,
and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, living at Robertsdale.

The Respondent and I were married at Summerdale, in Baldwin
County, Alabama, on August 25th, 1923. We have lived in Baldwin County,
Alabama, for more than three years next preceding the filing of the complaint in
this cause.

The Respondent on June 29th, 1943, and at various other times
prior thereto, threatened and abused me and on several occasions did violence to
my person. On June 29th, 1943, the Respondent did actual violence to me
by choking me and twisting my neck. The conduct of the Respondent is such that
I have every reasonable apprehension to believe, and I do believe that if I continue
to live with him, he will carry out his threats and do actual violence to my person
which would endanger my life and health.

We have four children, all living with and dependent on me. They are
Oscar Waters, Freddie Waters, Maurine Waters and Loreen Waters, ages 17, 15, 13 and
5 years respectively.

I have no property nor any income from any source other than my daily
labors. I do not have any income sufficient to support me and the minor children

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Bernice F. Reid, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witnesses and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself and of H. M. Hall at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witnesses or had proof 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 22nd day of September 19243.

Bernice F. Reid (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

CORINNE WALTERS

vs. Complainant

BONNAN WALTERS

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

Filed 10 18, 1943

Recorded in _____, Register.

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_____, Register

two of whom, Freddie and Maurine are now in high school, and the smaller child, Loreen, is at home and needs my care. The older boy, Oscar, is not working, and expects to be called into service immediately he reaches his eighteenth birthday. He is furnishing nothing to support me and the children.

The Respondent is an able bodied man, and employed as a butcher for W. A. Hammond, and has been for something like a year. He is an experienced and, I might say, professional butcher. The Respondent recently told me that he was making \$50.00 a week. He has no expenses other than his own board and lodgings.

The Respondent is now, and has been for a number of years, drinking to excess. He has no regular home but stays at the hotel in Robertsdale, which is not a suitable place for the minor children. On account of his drinking and the place in which he lives, the Respondent is not a fit, suitable or proper person to have the custody and control of the said minor children. I have my own home with my father, where I am suitably located for a home for myself and the children.

Corine Waters

Bama Merchant, a witness for Complainant, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

My name is Bama Merchant. I know that the Respondent is a man that drinks to excess and has a high and ungovernable temper. While I have never actually seen him strike the Complainant, I have often heard him threaten and abuse her.

The Complainant has often complained of the Respondent's mistreating her, and has on occasions shown me her wounds.

They have four minor children, all living with their mother, the Complainant who is now and has for the past several years had their custody and control and has provided for them to the best of her ability. The Complainant lives with her father in Robertsdale, where she has a suitable home for herself and the children. The Respondent, so far as I know, has no home of his own, but lives in the hotel at Robertsdale. I do not consider the hotel as a suitable home for the children.

The Respondent has been a butcher practically the entire time I have known him and he is what I would consider a finished butcher and meat cutter. While I do not know exactly what he makes at this time, I can reasonably say that he makes from \$40.00 to \$50.00 per week, and his salary is sufficient for him to contribute to the maintenance and support of his wife and minor children.

Bama Merchant

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN VACATION

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State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

} NO. _____ TERM, 194 _____

CORINNE WATERS

Complainant—

VS.

BOYMAN WATERS

Respondent—

TO R. S. DUCK, REGISTER:

In the above stated cause a decree pro confesso
having been taken against _____ 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^s— 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

Solicitor— for Complainant—

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CORINNE WATERS

Complainant—

VS.

BOWMAN WATERS

Respondent—

Request For Decree In Vacation

Filed 10-18, 1947

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Register.