

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

HORTENSE C. BURKEL

, Complainant

vs.

CHARLES BURKEL

, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Answer and Waiver~~ 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 Hortense C. Burkel is forever divorced from the said Charles Burkel for and on account of

Intolerable cruelty

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that Complaint shall have the right to resume the use of her former name, Hortense C. Cochran;

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

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

This 27th day of February, 1951

Jessie J. Madhewie, Jr.
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

Complainant

vs.

Respondent

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ALICE J. BOCK, Register

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

Hortense C. Burkel

Complainant

VS.

Charles Burkel

Respondent

I, Frances G. Crawford
as Register and Commissioner
have called and caused to come before me
Hortense C. Burkel

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 23rd day of February
~~1951~~ 1951, at the office of E. A. Crowder, Attorney
in _____, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness _____ to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Hortense C. Burkel
doth depose and say as follows:

Charles Burkel, who is 72 years old, and I were married on August 14th 1950 at
Daphne, Alabama. I am 47 years of age. We have both lived in Fairhope, Alabama,
for many years. When we were married, I did not know just what sort of a man I
had. It was not long before I began to realize how insanely jealous he was and
about perfectly innocent and casual circumstances over which no one else would
have thought about. Itv became worse and worse until he began to threaten me
with shooting and other forms of bodily injury. It reached a climax on January
5th 1951. Some frænds had stopped at our home and, when they left, he had a
fit of jealousy beyond anything previous. He started to slap me around and bruised
me. I left and went to my previous home, where I stayed with my sister. I have
not gone back to him since then and I am absolutely deathly afraid of what he might
do to me, even now. He possesses a Luger gun and, on occasion, he did actually take
it in his hands and frightened the wits out of me. He said several times that he
would kill me and then would take his own life. I guess it was a mistake to suppose
that we could have gotten along in view of the differences in our ages and of the
great difference in our family environments. If granted a divorce, I would like to
resume my former name, Hortense C. Cochran.

Hortense C. Burkel
Hortense C. Burkel

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

HORTENSE C. BURKEL

vs. Complainant

CHARLES BURKEL

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

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Recorded in _____

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Register.

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Frances G. Crawford, 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—and read over to _____ and _____ signed the same in the presence of myself _____ 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 23rd day of February, 1951. ~~1951~~

Frances G. Crawford (L. S.)

HORTENSE C. BURKELL

vs.

CHARLES BURKELL

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, _____
Testimony of Complainant

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver

E. A. Cramer

Ansie L. Cramer
Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

IN EQUITY
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

HORTENSE C. BURKEL

vs.

CHARLES BURKEL

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 24th

day of February, 1945.

Wm. J. Smith
Register.

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Hortense C. Burkel
Complainant

vs

Charles Burkel
Respondent

Circuit Court
Baldwin County
Alabama
In Equity

To the Honorable Telfair J. Mashburn, Jr., Judge of said Court, sitting in Equity;

Comes Hortense C. Burkel, Complainant herein, and shows unto Your Honor her Bill of Complaint against Charles Burkel as follows:

First: Complainant, whose age is 47 years, and Respondent, whose age is 72 years, intermarried August 14th 1950 at Daphne, Alabama.

Second: The parties hereto have been residents of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, for more than three years past and both continue as such residents.

Third: Because of the acts hereinafter complained of, the parties have lived separate and apart for three weeks past.

Fourth: For some time prior to said separation, Respondent has conducted himself toward Complainant in such manner as to put her in fear of her health, life and limb, having committed bodily attacks upon her, and, from his conduct, there is reason to believe that he would continue such conduct.

The premises considered, Complainant prays that said Charles Burkel be, by all due and appropriate process, made party Defendant to this suit; that he be compelled to answer, plead or demur to the within bill of complaint within the time prescribed by law and that he be compelled to abide and obey all decrees and orders made in the premises.

Further, upon a hearing of the within cause, Complainant prays that a decree be granted in her favor forever divorcing her from said Charles Burkel, granting her the right to resume the use of her former name, Hortense C. Cochran, and granting her such other, further and different relief as, to Your Honor, may seem meet and proper.

E. A. Cramer, Solicitor
Fairhope, Alabama

Hortense C. Burkel
Complainant

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vs

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Circuit Court

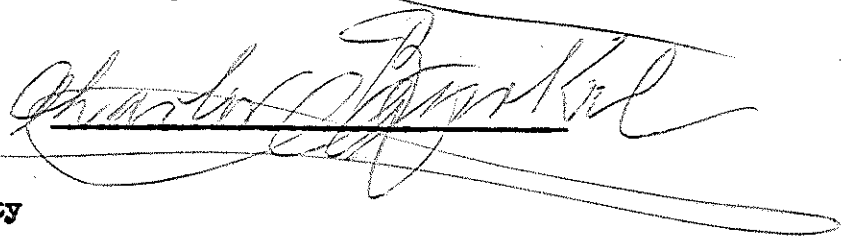
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In Equity

Comes Charles Burkel, Respondent, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint in the above titled cause, says that he denies each and every allegation therein contained.


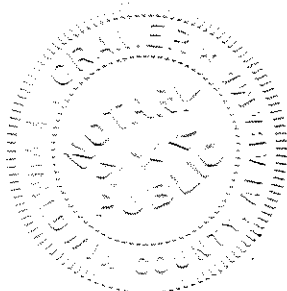
Respondent hereby waives the right to demand for formal issuance of a commission to take oral testimony, the right to cross examine Complainant or her witnesses and the right to introduce evidence in his own behalf and he agrees that the within cause may be submitted for final decree without further notice to him upon Complainant's pleadings and evidence as noted by the Register of Your Honorable Court.



State of Alabama, Baldwin County

Personally appeared Charles Burkel, known to me, and being informed of the contents of the foregoing answer and waiver, he acknowledged that he executed same voluntarily with full knowledge of the contents and purport of same.

Given under my hand and official seal this 14th day of February, 1951.



Notary Public, Baldwin County
Alabama

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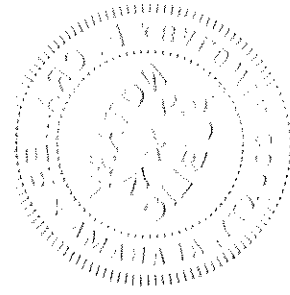
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