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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Dixie Peterson Brannon , Complainant vs.

Edward Earl Brannon , Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, **BARENTS 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

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be granted the right, and she is hereby granted the right to resume the name of Dixie Arlene Peterson.

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 <u>Dixie Peterson Brannon</u>

the <u>Complainant</u> pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This Second ____ day of December____

19_53 Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.

I, Alice J. Duck 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 <u>Second</u> day

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.



DIXIE PETERSON BRANNON Complainant) Vs.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY

EDWARD EARL BRANNON

Respondent

Comes the respondent Edward Earl Brannon and for answer to the bill of complaint herein says as follows:

1. He denies each and every material allegation contained in the said bill of complaint and demands strict proof of the same.

2. The respondent hereby waives notice of the taking of testimony in this cause, notice of submitting said cause for final decree, and such other, further or different notice to which she might otherwise be entitled.

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ANSWER AND WAIVER

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Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama (In Equity)

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have called and caused to come before me Dixis Patarson Brannon and Kathryn Reagan

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 2nd day of December 19453, at the office of <u>Arthur C. Epperson</u>

Foley, , Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness as to speak the in _ truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Dixie Peterson Prannon and <u>Kathryn Reagan</u> doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Dixie Peterson Brannon, I am over the age of twentyone (21) years and am a bonafide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. I have lived in Foley, Baldwin County, Alabama for the past two (2) years. Edward Earl Brannon is over the age of twenty-one (21) years and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. Edward Earl Brannon and I were legally married December 7, 1952, at Lucedale, Mississippi.

We do not have any children. Edward Earl Prannon and I had only known each other about a week when we went to Mississippi and got married. I did not know, of course, that he had such a violent temper. The next day, when we came back from Mississippi, he dropped me off at my home and went on to his home saying he was coming back in a couple of hours to take me to see his folks. He did not come back until five (5) or six (6) hours later, about ten o:clock at night. He had been drinking excessively and seemed to be in a mean temper about something. When I asked him where he had been he resented it and said that was his business. We had intended to spend the night at my house but he wanted to go some place else. I did not want to go with him the way he was acting and as drunk as he was. I tried to reason with him but he became angrier and angrier. Then he said I was going with him anyway. I started to the house when suddenly he hit me with his fist on the side of my head and started cursing. I slammed the door closed and after a few minutes of ranting, raving and cursing, he left. Since that time I have had nothing to do with him as I am afraid of him and I am afraid that he will hurt me seriously.

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My name is Kathryn Reagan. In December of last year, I was living in the same house as Dixie Peterson Brannon and her mother. When she and Edward Earl Brannon came back from getting married in Mississippi, I sat and talked with Dixie several hours, waiting for him to come back and take her over to his folk's house for a while. When he fin-ally came around ten o:clock that night, he was pretty well stewed. He and Dixie argued just outside the door for ten or fifteen minutes, then Dixie suddenly came in the door and locked it real quick. She was crying and had a big, red spot on the side of her face. She told me the Edward had hit her because she would not go with him. She seemed to be terribly afraid of him. She never did, to my knowledge, have anything else to do with him.

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ORAL EXAMINATION.

Marie Holloway ____, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that I, _ the foregoing deposition___on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness 2S and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself Maria Holloway

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness 25 or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness 25; 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.

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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 <u>Dixie Peterson Brannon and Kathryn Reagen</u>

as witnesses in behalf of <u>Divie Peterson Brannon</u> in a cause pending in our Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein <u>Divie Peterson Brannon</u>

and <u>Edward Earl Prannon</u>

on oath, to be by you administered, upon <u>them</u> to take and certify the deposition^S of the witness^{2S} and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness ______ day of ________, 195_3_____, 195_3_____,

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EDWARD EARL BRANNON Respondent IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALAPAMA IN EQUITY

To the Honorable Hubert M. Hall, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Sitting in Equity:

Your complainant Dixie Peterson Brannon, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor:

1. That complainant is over the age of twenty-one years and is a resident of said State and County, and has been a bona fide resident of said State for more than two years next preceding the filing of this bill of complaint; that Edward Earl Brannon is over the age of twenty-one years and resides in Baldwin County, Alabama.

2. That your complainant and respondent were lawfully married on or about, to-wit, December 7, 1952, at Lucedale, Mississippi.

3. Your complainant avers and charges that the said respondent did on or about the 8th day of December, 1952, and many times subsequent thereto assault, beat, hit and strike complainant; that said respondent has committed actual violence on her person attended with danger to her health or life; complainant avers and charges that respondent has made numerous threats of doing her physical harm and from his manner and conduct toward her, she is reasonably convinced that he will commit an actual violence upon her person, attended with danger to her life or health.

The premises considered, your complainant makes the said Edward Earl Brannon a party respondent to this bill of complaint, and in order that complainant may have the relief herein prayed for, may it please y ur Honor to cause the State's writ of subpoena to be issued, directed to the said Edward Earl Brannon, commanding him to answer, plead or demur to this bill of complaint, within the time required by law; and that on a final hearing of this cause, that your Honor will enter a decree divorcing your complanant from said respondent, granting the complainant the right to remarry, and granting the complainant the right to resume the name of Dixie Arlene Peterson; and that your Honor will grant such other, further and different relief as unto your Honor may seen just and prorer, and your complainant will ever pray.

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