

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Loretta Hinote, Complainant
vs.

William L. Hinote Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Con-~~
fessor 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 here-
tofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved, and
that the said Loretta Hinote is forever divorced from the said William L. Hinote
for and on account of Cruelty

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry ex-
cept to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken with-
in sixty days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said
appeal.

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

This 23 day of December, 1953

Hubert M. Tate
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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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

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Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint, _____
Answer and Waiver, and testimony of Loretta Hinote and Cherie Duckworth
in the oral deposition.

and in behalf of Defendant upon _____

James C. Hendrix

Cherie Duckworth

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NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Circuit Court

TO: Grady P. Gilbert, Jr.

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 Loretta Hinote and Cherie Duckworth

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

_____, Complainant
and William L. Hinote

_____, Respondent

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

Witness 23rd day of Dec, 1943

Reing. Duck
Register.

Commissioner's Fee, \$ _____

Witness' Fees, \$ _____

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

Loretta Minote

Complainant

VS.

William L. Minote

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

Grady P. Gilbert, Jr.

WITNESSES:

Loretta Minote

Cherie Duckworth

PHONE 801

JAMES A. HENDRIX

ATTORNEY AT LAW

ROBERTSDALE, ALA.

December 22, 1953

Mrs Alice J. Duck
Circuit Clerk
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Mrs Duck:

Please file this matter properly get the Judge to sign same and return same to me by tomorrow afternoon if at all possible.

Thanks.

Very truly yours,


James A. Hendrix

JAH:mmn

LORETTA HINOTE

Complainant,

vs.

WILLIAM L. HINOTE

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

ANSWER AND WAIVER

Comes now the Respondent, William L. Hinote, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint heretofore filed in said cause says as follows:

1. That he denies each and every allegation of the said Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

And for further answer to said Bill of Complaint the Respondent hereby accepts service of a copy and notice of the filing of the said Complaint and hereby waives any further notice to him of the day set for hearing, the taking of testimony or the submission for final decree of the above styled cause and does here consent that the same may be submitted and testimony taken without further notice to him.

William L. Hinote.
William L. Hinote

Sworn to and subscribed before

me this 22 day of December, 1953.

James A. Hudis
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

Loretta Hinote

Complainant

VS.

William L. Hinote

Respondent

I, Grady P. Gilbert, Jr.

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Loretta Hinote and Cherie Duckworth

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 23rd day of December

1953, at the office of James A. Hendrix

in Robertsdale

, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Loretta Hinote and Cherie Duckworth

doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Loretta Hinote, I am over eighteen years old and have lived here in Baldwin County for more than the past two years, William L. Hinote is over twenty-one years old and lives at Rosinton, Baldwin County, Alabama. William L. and I were married on August 29, 1952 at Lucedale, Mississippi. On about August 15, 1953, William beat me up pretty bad, by beating, hitting and striking me, and this was not the first time he had beat me, he has committed actual violence upon me several times which put my life and health in danger. Besides these assaults he has made numerous threats of doing me physical harm and from his manner and conduct toward me I am convinced that he will commit another violence upon me which will permanently impair my life and health. Due to the aforesaid assault on August 15, 1953 I have not lived with William since then, nor have we in any way recognized each other as husband and wife. We had no children.

Loretta Hinote

I have known Loretta Hinote the complainant, for a long time, she is over 18 years and has lived here in Baldwin County for more than the past two years, William L. Hinote the respondent is over 21 years old and lives at Rosinton, Baldwin County, Alabama. They were married on August 29, 1952 at Lucedale, Mississippi. About the middle of this past August William gave her, Loretta, a terrible beating, she had black eyes and a badly marked face for several days as a result of this assault on her by William, this was not the first time he had beat her; besides these beatings he had threatened to do her bodily harm many times and judging from his conduct toward her I am convinced that it is not safe for her to continue to live with him. She left him after the beating in August and they have not lived together since then. They had no children.

Cherie Duckworth

ORAL EXAMINATION

I, Grady P. Gilbert, Jr., 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...es...and read over to...them...and...they...signed the same in the presence of myself

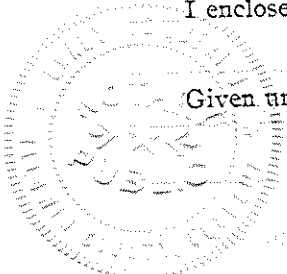
Grady P. Gilbert, Jr.

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness...es...or had proom 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 23 day of December, 1953.

W. B. Smith (L.S.)



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LORETTA HINOTE

Complainant,

vs.

WILLIAM L. HINOTE

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY.

To the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,

Sitting in Equity:

Your Complainant, Loretta Hinote, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor:


1. That Complainant is over the age of eighteen years and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been a bona fide resident of said State and County for more than two years next preceeding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; that William L. Hinote 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, August 29, 1952, at Lucedale, Mississippi.

3. The Complainant, Loretta Hinote, avers and charges that respondent, William L. Hinote, 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 and health; Complainant further avers and charges that the respondent did on or about the 15th day of August, 1953, 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 life and health. That as a result of said threats and assaults the Complainant and respondent have not lived as husband and wife since the 15th day of August, 1953, nor in any way recognized each other as husband and wife.

4. Your Complainant further avers and shows unto your Honor that there were no children born of the aforesaid marriage.

The premises considered your Complainant makes the said William L. Minote a party respondent to this Bill of Complaint, and in order that Complainant may have the relief herein prayed for, may it please your Honor to cause the State's writ of subpoena to be issued, directed to the said William L. Minote, 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 Complainant from said respondent, granting the complainant the right to remarry, and granting the right to resume her maiden name; and that your Honor will grant such other, further and different relief as unto your Honor may seem just and proper, and that your complainant will ever pray, etc.


Solicitor for Complainant

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