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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

JOHN FREDERICK RIFTH, Complainant

CARMALLA RUTH

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, <u>NeckerPra Xontessa</u> on <u>Answer and Waiver</u> 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 JOHN FREDERICK RUTH is forever divorced from the

said ______ for and on account of

Abandonment. It is further Ordered, adjudged and decreed that

custody of John Wayne Ruth should be in Carmalla Ruth, with

rights of visitation to John Frederick Ruth, who shall pay the

sum of \$25.00 per month for maintenance and support of the said

minor child as long as he remains in the Armed Forces of the

United States.

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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 _____John Frederick Ruth

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

Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.

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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.

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Witness my hand and seal this the___

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Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.



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JOHN FREDERICK RUTH,

Complainant,

- vs -

CARMALLA RUTH,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY NO.

Comes the Respondent in the above styled cause and accepts service of a Bill of Complaint heretofore filed in said cause; waives notice of the filing of interrogatories in said cause, and the right to cross same; waives notice of the taking of testimony in said cause, and consents that the same may be taken and the cause submitted for final decree.

And for answer to the Fill of Complaint heretofore filed in this cause, Respondent says:

 She admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 1 of said Bill of Complaint.

2. She admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 2 of said Bill of Complaint.

3. She denies each and every allegation contained in Paragraph 3 of said Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

4. She admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of said Bill of Complaint.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, on this the

21_ day of 10/11/1, 1953.

c, County of Rhode Island Providence

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NOTE OF TESTIMONY	
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JOHN FREDERICK RUTH,

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY

CARMALLA RUTH,

-vs-

C. G. C.

Respondent.

TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, Sitting in Equity:-

Your Complainant, John Frederick Ruth, 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 and County for more than one year next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; that Carmalla Ruth is a non-resident, her present address being 313 Atwells Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, and is over the age of twenty-one years.

2. That your Complainant and the Respondent were lawfully married on, to-wit, December 6, 1947.

3. Complainant further avers that said Respondent voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of Complainant for more than one year next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint, since which time Complainant and Respondent have not lived together nor in any way recognized each other as husband and wife. Separation occured November 17, 1948.

4. The Complainant further shows to the Court that he has legally adopted John Wayne Ruth, who is the son of the Respondent, and he hereby agrees that the Respondent have custody of the said minor child, and believes that he is financially able to pay the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per month as long as he is in the Armed Forces of the United States.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS AND RELIEF

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Complainant prays that Carmalla Ruth be made a party defendant to this cause by the usual process of this Honorable Court, by service by Registered Mail, requiring her to plead, answer or demur within the time and under the penalties prescribed by the rules of this Court and the Statutes in such cases made and provided; that upon a final hearing of this cause, that your Complainant be granted a divorce from the Respondent and that the Respondent be granted custody of the minor child, John Wayne Ruth, who was legally adopted by the Complainant, but who is the son of the Respondent, and that the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per month be paid by the Complainant for the support and maintenance of this minor child as long as the Complainant remains in the Armed Forces of the United States. Complainant further prays that he be granted reasonable rights of visitation. Should your Complainant be mistaken in the relief prayed for, that there be granted to him such other, different and general relief to which he may be emittled and as in duty bound, he will ever pray.

Complainant

CECIL G. CHASON ATTORNEY AT LAW FOLEY, ALABAMA January 7, 1953

Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Registar Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Enclosed herewith are all papers necessary in the Divorce proceeding of John Frederick Ruth -vs- Carmalla Ruth, and also my check in the amount of \$20.45 as payment of Costs in this proceeding and Costs in a former proceeding which was dismissed without prejudice.

Yours very truly, C. G. Chason

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA['] Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama (In Equity)

_____Respondent

JOHN	FREDERICK	RUTH
		VS.

_____Complainant

CARMALLA RUTH

I, Frances G. Mallory

as Register and Commissioner _____in Chancery_____

have called and caused to come before me <u>John Frederick Ruth and James Howard</u> Beitman

witness <u>es</u> named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the $1^{\frac{14}{14}}$ day of <u>January</u> 194 <u>54</u>, at the office of <u>C. G. Chason</u>

in <u>Foley</u>, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness <u>es</u> to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said <u>John Frederick Ruth and James</u> <u>Howard Beitman</u> doth depose and say as follows:

Testimony of John Frederick Ruth:

My name is John Frederick Ruth. I am over the age of 21 years and a bona fide resident citizen of Foley, Baldwin County, Alabama, having been such a bona fide resident citizen since June of 1952. Carmella Ruth is over the age of 21 years and is not a resident of the State of Alabama. She presently resides in Providence, Rhode Island. We were marred on December 6, 1947 and lived together as man and wife until November 17, 1948, at which time she voluntarily abandoned my bed and board and we have not lived together nor recognized each other as husband and wife since that time. There are no children of this marriage, however, I legally adopted John Wayne Ruth, the child of my wife. I believe that at present she should have legal custody of the child with rights for me to visit the child and have the child visit me. I believe that I am financially able to pay the sum of \$25.00 per month on his maintenance and support as bong as I am in the Armed Forces of the United States.

John Fuedrich Ruth

Testimony of James Howard Beitman:

My name is James Howard Beitman. I am over the age of 21 years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, having been such a resident for more than one year. John Frederick Ruth and Carmalla Ruth are over the age of 21 years. She is at present a resident of Providence, Rhode Island and he has been a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, since June of 1952. In November of 1948 she voluntarily abandoned his bed and board with no cause and they have not lived together nor recornized each other as husband and wife since that time.

James Howard Balmon

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, <u>Frances G. Mallory</u>, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing depositions on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness <u>es</u> and read over to <u>them</u> and <u>they</u> signed the same in the presence of myself <u>and C. G. Chason, Attorney</u> at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness <u>es</u> or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness <u>es</u>; 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.

194 54 January _day of _ Given under my hand and seal, this ILS.)

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