

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY MARGARET
SIMS, HER MOTHER AND NEXT FRIEND

VS.

THOMAS WILLIAMSON

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complainant upon the original Bill of Complaint, _____

~~Answer and waiver of Respondent, and testimony of Complainant's witnesses~~

and in behalf of Defendant upon _____

R. J. [Signature] Register.

No. 1056

The State of Alabama,
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY MARGARET
SIMS, HER MOTHER AND NEXT FRIEND
COMPLAINANT

VS.

THOMAS WILLIAMSON
RESPONDENT

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 24th

day of July 1944

[Signature]
Register.

The State of Alabama, {
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To Bernice S. 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 Effie Mae Williamson

Margaret Sims

as witnesses in behalf of Effie Mae Williamson in a cause pending in our Circuit Court of Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Effie Mae Williamson

Complainant

and Thomas Williamson

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon February 21st, 1944 to take and certify the deposition. s. of the witness. es. and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 23rd day of February 1944

[Handwritten Signature]

REGISTER

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$ _____

WITNESS' FEES, \$ _____

Effie Mae Williamson, by
Margaret Sims, her mother and
next friend.

Complainant

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
Baldwin ~~MOBILE COUNTY~~, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

No. vs.
Thomas Williamson,

Defendant

ANSWER AND WAIVER

Comes the Defendant in the above entitled cause and for answer to the Bill of Complaint there-
in admits the allegations as to the ages, residences and marriage and denies each and every other
allegation of said Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

I agree that the testimony in this cause may be taken by deposition on oral examination, and
waive notice of the time and place of the taking such testimony and agree that this cause may be
submitted for final decree at any time. I waive all notices to which I may be entitled to by law in
this cause.

Thomas Williamson
Defendant.

STATE OF Alabama

COUNTY OF Mobile

I, _____, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, do
hereby certify that Thomas Williamson, whose name is signed to the foregoing instru-
ment, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the
contents of the instrument, he executed the same voluntarily on the day same bears date.

Witness my hand and seal this 12th day of February 1944.

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NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF Mobile

Filed, _____

JAMES A. CRANE, REGISTER.

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY MARGARET
 SIMS, HER MOTHER AND NEXT Friend, Complainant,
 VS.
 THOMAS WILLIAMSON Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
 BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
 IN EQUITY.
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DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION.

COMES the Complainant, by attorney, and represents to the Court as follows:

1. That the following named witnesses reside within one hundred miles from
 Bay Minette....., in the County of Baldwin.....

Alabama, the place of trial of said cause, to-wit:.....

Effie Mae Williamson

Margaret Sims

2. That said complainant requires an oral examination of said witnesses before a commissioner appointed by the Register of this Court.

BEEBE & HALL

By *Sam Hall*
 Solicitor for Complainant.

NOTE:

Complainant suggests the name of Bernice S. Reid.....

as a suitable and competent person to act as commissioner upon the examination of said witnesses.

Beebe & Hall

by *Sam Hall*
 Solicitor for Complainant.

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

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY MARGARET SIMS, HER Complainant
MOTHER AND NEXT FRIEND

VS

THOMAS WILLIAMSON Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decrees Pro Confesso on answer and waiver of Respondent 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 Effie Mae Williamson is forever divorced from the said

Thomas Williamson

for and on account of Cruelty.

RECORDED
IN OFFICE OF
CLERK OF
CIRCUIT COURT
BALDWIN COUNTY
ALABAMA
FEB 25 1944

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 Effie Mae Williamson and Thomas Williamson

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

It is further ordered that Effie Mae Williamson

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

This 25th day of February, 1944.

J. M. Hask
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

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA - GREETING;

WE COMMAND YOU, that you summon THOMAS WILLIAMSON to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, 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 EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, by Margaret Sims, her mother and next friend, against the said Thomas Williamson, 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. DUCK, Register of said Circuit Court, this 7th day of July, 1944.


Register.

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY
MARGARET SIMS, HER MOTHER AND
NEXT FRIEND,
COMPLAINANT

VS

THOMAS WILLIAMSON
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:

Now comes your Complainant, EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, by Margaret Sims, her mother and next friend, and humbly complaining against the Respondent, Thomas Williamson, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That the Complainant is a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and sixteen years of age; that the Respondent is a bona fide resident of the State of Alabama, and is over twenty one years of age;

2.

That they were married on May 9th, 1942, at Robertsdale, in Baldwin County, Alabama, and lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, until, to-wit, the 10th day of July, 1943;

3.

That, on to-wit July 10th, 1943, the Respondent did actual violence

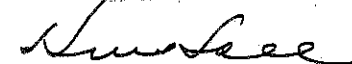
to the Complainant by striking her with his fist, and kicking her; that the Respondent has often threatened and abused the Complainant; that the conduct of the Respondent was such as to give the complainant every reasonable apprehension to believe, and she did actually believe, that if she continued to live with him he would carry out his threats and do further violence to her person which would necessarily endanger her life and health.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, your complainant prays that your Honor will, by proper process, make the said Thomas Williamson party respondent to this bill of complaint, 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.

Complainant further prays that upon a final hearing hereof, your Honor will give and grant unto her an absolute decree of divorce, forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between her and the Respondent, and that your Honor will give and grant unto her such other, further, different and general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive, and as in duty bound she will ever pray.

BEEBE & HALL

BY



Solicitors for Complainant.

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EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY MARGARET
SIMS, HER MOTHER AND NEXT FRIEND,
COMPLAINANT

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VS

THOMAS WILLIAMSON
RESPONDENT.

262 S. Royal

SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT.

Filed Feb 7 1944
Robert
Ref

Received 9 Day of Feb 19 44
and on 10 Day of Feb 19 44
I served a Copy of the within 9
on Thomas Williamson
BY SERVICE ON _____
W. H. WILCOX, Sheriff
BY R. F. Mather

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DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION.

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY MARGARET
STIMS, HER MOTHER AND NEXT FRIEND.....
Complainant,

Vs.

THOMAS WILLIAMSON.....
Respondent.

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

Filed this 24 day of Sept 1944.....

1944.....

[Signature]
Register.

No. 1056

Effie Mae Williamson, by her
mother and next friend,
Margaret Sims,

vs.

Thomas Williamson

ANSWER AND WAIVER

Filed, July 21 1944

R. D. Hunt

Register.

NO. 1054

The State of Alabama

BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT

EFFIE MAE WILLIAMSON, BY
MARGARET SIMS, HER MOTHER AND
NEXT FRIEND

Complainant

vs.

THOMAS WILLIAMSON

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

WITNESSES:

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

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

Effie Mae Williamson, by Margaret Sims, Complainant.
the Mother and next friend.
VS.

Thomas Williamson. Respondent.

I
as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the day of

192....., at the office of

in, Alabama, and having first sworn said witness to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said

..... doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Effie Mae Williamson. I am a resident of Baldwin County
Alabama, sixteen years of age. I am the Complainant in the above
styled cause.

The Respondent Thomas Williamson is over twenty one years of age.
and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

The Respondent and I married at Robertsdale, Alabama, on the
9th day of May 1942. We lived together as husband and wifw in
Baldwin County, Alabama, until the 10th day of July 1943.

The Respondent on July 10th, 1943 did actual violence to me by
striking me with his fist and kicking me; that he at various othe
times threatened and abused me; that the said acts of cruelty
necessarily endangered the life ane health of the Complainant.

That the Complainant has everey reasonable apprehension to belive
and she does actually believe that the Rrspondent will do further
violence to he person, which will necessarily endanger her life
and health.

Effie Mae Williamson

Margaert Sima a witness for the Complainant being first duly
sworn, deposes ans says:

My name is Margaret Sims. I live in Baldwin County, Alabama, and

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Bernice A. Reid, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition S on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness es 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 witness es or had proof 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 24 day of February 1924
Bernice A. Reid (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Etta Mae Williamson by
her husband James Reid,
brother and next friend
vs.
James Williamson
Complainant

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

Filed 2-24, 1924

Register.

Recorded in
B. Reid
Record

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Register

am the Mother of Effie Mae Williamson.

Effie Mae Williamson and the Respondent married at Robertsdale, i
Baldwin County, Alabama, on the 9th day of May 1942. They lived
together until July 10th, 1943, when the Respondent committed
actual violence to the Complainant by striking and kicking her; t
that the said acts of cruelty necessarily endangered the life and
health of the Complainant.

I have around the Complainant and Respondent while they were living
together and know that the Complainant had every reasonable appre-
hension to believe that the Respondent would commit further violence
to the Complainant which would necessarily endanger her life and
health.

Margaret Sims