

DIVORCE DECREE

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

Circuit Court, In Equity

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN

vs.

, Complainant

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN

, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~in cases #2670 and #2673~~, which have been consolidated and upon Answers, and Order consolidating said cases. ~~and Testimony as taken orally before the Court~~ and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant, Sicilia C. Brueggemann 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 Sicilia C. Brueggemann is forever divorced from the said Edward S. Brueggemann for and on account of

cruelty. It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the court that the Complainant Sicilia C. Brueggemann shall have the full custody and control of their minor children, Edward Charles Brueggemann and Fredrick Anthony Brueggemann and that the said Edward S. Brueggemann, the Respondent, shall have the right to visit said children at reasonable and proper times.

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the court that the said Edward S. Brueggemann shall pay the said Sicilia C. Brueggemann the sum of \$12.00 per week, beginning Monday, October 1st, 1951, and every Monday thereafter, for the support and maintenance of said minor children.

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

This 26th day of September, 1951

Jeffrey A. Madbury
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
BALDWIN COUNTY.

In Circuit Court, In Equity

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN

Complainant

vs.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN

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ALICE J. DWCK, Register

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN,)
 Complainant,)
VS.)
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,)
 Respondent.)

Comes the Respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, and
for answer to the Bill of Complaint filed herein says:

1. That the allegations of the first paragraph
of said Bill of Complaint are admitted.

2. That the allegations of the second paragraph
of said Bill of Complaint as to the date of the marriage
of the Complainant and the Respondent are admitted and
that each and every other allegation of said paragraph
are denied and strict proof thereof demanded.

3. That the allegations of the third paragraph
of said Bill of Complaint as to the children born of the
marriage of the Complainant and the Respondent are admitted;
that it is admitted that the Complainant, because of the
tender ages of said children, is the fit and proper person
to have care, custody and control of said minor children
at the present time; that each and every other allegation
of said paragraph are denied and strict proof thereof
demanded.

HIGGINS & HIGGINS,
Solicitors for Respondent

BY: 

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN,
Complainant,
VS.
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.
IN EQUITY. NO. 2670.

The following testimony was taken in open Court before Honorable Telfair J. Mashburn, Jr., Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity, on September 26, 1951.

APPEARED: For Complainant;

Chason & Stone
Bay Minette, Alabama

For Respondent;

Higgins & Higgins
Mobile, Alabama

STIPULATION

IT IS AGREED between the respective parties to this cause that Sicilia C. Brueggemann, Complainant, is the proper person to have the care, custody and control of the minor children of the parties, Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, at the present time.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED between the parties that the Respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, is now earning Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) a week, but that after deductions for income and social security taxes, his take-home pay amounts to between Forty-two and Forty-five (\$42.00 and \$45.00) Dollars per week.

Mrs. Helen G. Posey, having been first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

ON DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. Chason

Q. What is your name?

A. Helen G. Posey.

- Q. Posey?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you a sister of Sicilia C. Brueggemann?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Where do you live, Mrs. Posey?
- A. On Moffatt Road, Crichton Station, Mobile, Alabama.
- Q. Do you know Edward S. Bruggemann?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. How long have you known him?
- A. Since 1946.
- Q. Did you see your sister, Mrs. Brueggemann, soon after she returned from St. Louis last March 14, 1950?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Do you know how many days it was after she returned before you saw her?
- A. The next day.
- Q. At that time, when you saw her, did you observe any bruises on her body?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. What bruises did you see?
- A. There was a cut over her right eyebrow.
- Q. Cut over her right eyebrow?
- A. Scuff marks on her ear, plummeted marks, likely by punching, her left ankle was swollen and her ear was pulled.
- Q. You mean sort of torn?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Where did you see your sister at that time?
- A. At the home of my parents and her parents.
- Q. In Baldwin County?
- A. Daphne, Alabama, yes sir.
- Q. Now, you have been knowing Mr. Brueggemann ever since before the marriage of your sister to Mr. Brueggeman on January 12, 1948, have you not?
- A. Yes sir, that is correct.
- Q. I will ask you if on one occasion some two weeks after her marriage you were called to Mrs. Snow's in Mobile to come and get your sister and keep her for the night?

A. Yes sir.

Q. About how long after their marriage did that occur?

A. Two weeks.

Q. About what time of night did you go get Mrs. Brueggemann?

A. Approximately ten o'clock.

Q. What was her condition that night?

A. That night she was nervously torn up, had been sent out of the house, thrown out.

Q. About being sent out, were you going by what she told you?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You didn't see her?

A. No, I didn't live there.

Q. Did you keep her that night?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you and your husband take her home the next morning, back to her apartment?

A. We took her home about nine o'clock, went with her to the apartment.

Q. Was Mr. Brueggemann at home?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What was he doing?

A. Drinking coffee.

Q. About what time in the morning was that?

A. About nine or nine-thirty.

Q. Was anything mentioned between you all about the disturbance the night before?

A. Oh, no sir.

Q. You left your sister there with him?

A. After staying long enough to see, to feel that -

Q. Everything was all right?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did your sister leave Mr. Brueggemann on any more occasions that you know of?

A. Yes sir, two weeks later I was called to her place where she worked?

Q. What place was that?

A. It was the Marine Hospital. It is operated by the United States Public Health Service now.

Q. What did you find when you got there?

A. She was scratched, black and blue marks on her body.

Q. Soon after that did she and Mr. Brueggemann move to St. Louis, Missouri?

A. She stayed with me a whole week. On that second occasion.

Q. On that second occasion? Was she separated from Mr. Brueggemann during that week?

A. Yes sir, he was out of town on business and she was in my home.

Q. After that did they move to St. Louis?

A. Yes sir.

Q. While she was living with him in St. Louis did she leave and come home on any occasion?

A. On four occasions.

Q. On four occasions? While they lived in St. Louis?

A. Yes sir.

ON CROSS EXAMINATION

By Mr. Higgins

No question

Mrs. Daisy Snow, having been first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

ON DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. Chason

Q. Is this Mrs. Daisy Snow?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where do you live, Mrs. Snow?

A. At 25 Hulbert Street, Mobile.

Q. On Hulbert Street? Do you know Sicilia Brueggeman and Edward S. Brueggeman?

A. Yes sir.

Q. About how many years have you known them?

A. Since 1946.

Q. Are you related to either one of them in any way?

A. No sir.

Q. Mrs. Snow, along about the first of February, 1948, did Mrs. Brueggeman come to your house one night soon after her marriage?

A. I had to go get her.

Q. You went to get her, where did you go for her?

A. I picked her up at the Dew-Drop Inn, Shell Road, Mobile.

Q. At the Dew-Drop Inn on Shell Road? Was that near the apartment where she had been living?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Why did you pick her up?

A. She called me to come get her.

Q. Do you know about what time of night you went to pick her up?

A. I should say about 9:30.

Q. Where did you carry her?

A. I took her to my house.

Q. Did you notify any person for her that she was at your house?

A. Yes sir, I called her sister to come after her.

Q. Her sister; is that Mrs. Posey?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now, did you notice her condition at the time you picked her up at Dew-Drop Inn?

A. She was rather up-set and a little bit on the hysterical side.

Q. Did she remain in that condition as long as you were with her that night?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now, did you know of any separations that she had with her husband before she went to St. Louis to live?

A. She went home for about, I guess a week, maybe, before she went to St. Louis.

Q. Did you see her on that occasion when she was separated from Mr. Brueggemann?

A. Only at work.

Q. Did you observe any bruises on those occasions?

A. No sir.

Q. Now, I will ask you if you saw her when she returned home about March, of last year, from St. Louis?

A. Yes.

Q. How long after she came back from St. Louis did you see her?

A. The following afternoon.

Q. The following afternoon?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you observe any bruises on her body the next afternoon?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Just tell the Court what you saw.

A. She had a cut across her right eye, her left ankle was swollen, she had bruise marks on her arm, she was all black and blue, and both knees were skinned.

Q. You say you are not related to her, to either one of them in any way?

A. No sir.

ON CROSS EXAMINATION

By Mr. Higgins

No question

Mrs. Mary Guarisco, having been first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

ON DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. Chason

Q. Is this Mrs. Mary Guarisco?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where do you live, Mrs. Guarisco?

A. In Daphne.

Q. Is Sicilia C. Brueggemann your daughter?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is she living there in your home with you now?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Are her two children living there with you?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Has she been living there in that home since March of last year?

A. Yes sir.

Q. I will ask you, Mrs. Guarisco, whether you saw her the night or the next day after she returned from St. Louis in March of last year?

A. Yes sir, we saw her the same day.

Q. Did you observe any bruises on her body?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What did you observe?

A. I observed her ear, it was very bruised, and her eyes, she had bruises on her knees and different parts of her body.

Q. Has she lived with Mr. Brueggemann as his wife since that time?

A. No sir.

Q. That was March, 1950?

A. Yes sir.

ON CROSS EXAMINATION

By Mr. Higgins

No question

Mrs. Sicilia C. Brueggemann, having been first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

ON DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. Chason

Q. Is this Sicilia C. Brueggemann?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You are the wife of Edward S. Brueggemann?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you and Edward S. Brueggemann both over twenty-one years of age?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you both live in Baldwin County, Alabama?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you reside at Daphne?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you been a resident citizen of Baldwin County all your life except for about two years when you lived with your husband at St. Louis?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you been a resident citizen of Baldwin County since you returned in March of 1950?

A. Yes sir, I have.

Q. When did you and Edward S. Brueggemann get married?

A. January 12, 1948.

Q. Now, about two weeks after your marriage on January 12, 1948, did you have a disturbance?

A. Yes sir, I did.

Q. Where were you living at that time?

A. Silverwood, in Mobile.

Q. Tell the Court what happened on that occasion.

A. I had come back from work. My husband was home at that time and we were finishing the evening meal. I don't know what caused it, but he got all excited about something and started accusing me of doing all kind of things that I never thought of doing and he struck me, got me down on the floor and was beating my head on the floor and then he picked me up bodily and threw me out the door in my nightgown. I asked if I might come in and put my clothes back on and then I would leave, which I did so. We didn't have a phone in the house so I walked around to the Dew Drop and called Mrs. Snow to please come get me.

Q. Did Mrs. Snow come around and pick you up there?

A. Yes sir, she did.

Q. That's the lady who testified a few minutes ago?

A. Yes.

Q. Then, did she phone your sister, Mrs. Posey, to come get you?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did Mrs. Posey take you home with her that night?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Then did she take you back to your apartment the next day like you testified about?

A. Yes sir.

Q. I will ask you whether about two weeks after that occasion that you had another incident with your husband?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What happened on that occasion?

- A. The same as happened the time before. He beat me brutally and slapped me all over the place and he would hit me and he would push me around but I didn't leave that night. He finally calmed down and we went on to bed but I had to get up and go to work the next day and just as soon as I got to work I called my sister to come down there.
- Q. Now, where did you work at that time?
- A. At the Marine Hospital in the laboratory.
- Q. Where are you working at this time?
- A. With Dr. Hayes and John Ziemann.
- Q. Did you stay with your sister about a week on that second occasion?
- A. Yes sir, I did.
- Q. Now after that, shortly after that, did you and your husband move to St. Louis, Missouri?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Did you leave him on more than one occasion while you were in St. Louis?
- A. Yes sir, I did, at four different times.
- Q. Were those occasions, without going into detail, caused by similar acts to those you just referred to?
- A. Yes sir, he would get very violent and it was during my pregnancy that he didn't abstain from beating me even then.
- Q. Now, you have two children?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. One child who is now almost three years of age?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Now at the time of your last separation you had just gotten pregnant with your last child, had you not?
- A. That is true.
- Q. About how far along were you in your last pregnancy, that is, your pregnancy with the second child when the last act of cruelty occurred?
- A. I would say I was six weeks to two months.
- Q. This happened in March and the baby was born about October, was it not, of last year?
- A. Yes sir.

Q. Now, on that occasion while you were pregnant what did he do to you?

A. He had been out hunting a job. He had quit his job where he was employed at the bank and I don't know whether he was discouraged about that I don't know. I had prepared an evening meal and he came in, I would say he had been drinking, and he slammed-breaking up the dishes that were on the table and I was frightened for the child and I tried to intervene and tell him to calm down, then he started beating me and he did that night, he got me against the wall pounding me with his fist and hit my ear, I got slammed against a corner and cut my eye and then when I finally got to my baby who he was screaming at the time, it's bound to have upset him, he caught and shoved me away and threw me against the sofa then he grabbed me by the leg and drug me all over the living room at that time and when he finally released me I grabbed the baby and as best I could got out and went down stairs to a neighbor until he calmed down, then I went upstairs and the first thing the next morning I called the movers and they moved me out.

Q. Have you lived with him as his wife since that time?

A. No sir.

Q. Was that on about March 14, 1950?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you return home to Baldwin County immediately after that?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did your sister, Mrs. Posey and Mrs. Snow, and your mother, Mrs. Guarisco, see your bruises that you told about?

A. Yes. They were very obvious.

Q. Where have you lived since that time?

A. With my mother.

Q. Did your mother help, and the rest of your family help you to take care of the children while you work?

A. When I was unemployed they helped me financially raise them.

- Q. Who paid for the birth of your last baby, the last doctor bill?
- A. My sister did. She paid for the hospital bill and I in turn now am paying her back for the babies and their support.
- Q. Is Edward Charles Brueggemann, was he about two and one-half years old at the time of the filing of this bill?
- A. Yes sir, he was.
- Q. And was Frederick Anthony Brueggemann about eight months old at the time you filed your bill?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. You do have their custody at this time, do you not?
- A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And they live with you in your mother's home in Daphne?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Did you employ solicitors to represent you in this case; attorneys?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. In other words did you employ Chason and Stone as your solicitors?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Have you paid them anything or been able to pay them anything for their legal services?
- A. No sir.

ON CROSS EXAMINATION

By Mr. Higgins

No question

MR. CHASON: We will waive any claim for solicitors' fee under the submitted testimony he only has this income and has no property of any kind and so we waive any claim for fee.

I, Ora S. Nelson, Court Reporter of the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit of Alabama, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the testimony given in the hearing of this cause on September 26, 1951.

This 28th day of September, 1951.

Ora S. Nelson
Reporter

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN,
Complainant,
vs.
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY.
NO. 2670.

On July 3, 1951, the Complainant in the above styled cause filed her motion to consolidate the suit filed by Edward Sidney Brueggemann, as Complainant against Secilia Guarisco Brueggemann, as Respondent, with the above styled cause and it appearing to the Court that such suits are both between the same parties and pertain to the same subject matter and that such suits should be consolidated.

It is therefore, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the motion filed by the said Sicilia C. Brueggemann on July 3, 1951, in said cause is hereby granted and that the suit filed by Edward Sidney Brueggemann, as Complainant against Secilia Guarisco Brueggemann, as Respondent, being cause #2673, be, and the same is hereby consolidated with the above styled cause.

Dated this 26th day of September, 1951.

Jeffrey J. Madhury, Jr.
Judge.

DECREE CONSOLIDATING CAUSES

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN,

Complainant,

vs.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY. NO. 2670.

Filed: September 26th, 1951.

Alice L. Hensley
Register.

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

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

SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN,

Complainant,

vs.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,

Respondent.

No. 2673-2670

SATISFACTION OF JUDGMENT

Comes now Sicilia Brueggemann, complainant in the above styled cause and acknowledges satisfaction of all sums due for the support and maintenance of Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, under a decree of this court, up to and including the payments due for the period ending on the first day of February, 1954, which amount is approximately \$1400.00.


Sicilia Brueggemann

Dated April 27, 1954.

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN,
Complainant,
vs.
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
Respondent.

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

no 2670

Comes the Complainant in the above styled cause and moves the court to consolidate the proceeding filed by Edward Sidney Brueggemann, as Complainant, against Secilia Guarisco Brueggemann, as Respondent, in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity, on June 22, 1951, being Case # 2673, with the above styled cause and as grounds for said motion shows unto this court as follows:

1. That your Complainant Sicilia C. Brueggemann, filed her suit for divorce, for custody of her children, for alimony and support for such children and for her Solicitors fee against Edward S. Brueggemann, in this court on June 18, 1951, and on the 22nd day of June, 1951, the Respondent in the above styled cause filed a suit for divorce against your Complainant in this court and that such cases should be consolidated.

CHASON & STONE

By: *John Chason*
Solicitors for Complainant.

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MOTION

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN,

Complainant,

vs.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY.

Filed July 3rd., 1951.

Archie Hensley
Register.

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WILLIAM H. COWAN

ATTORNEY AT LAW

207-S GRAYSTONE BUILDING

MOBILE 1, ALABAMA

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May 17, 1954

Hon. Alice J. Duck,
Register in Chancery,
Baldwin County,
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Miss Duck: RE: Brueggemann vs. Brueggemann
No. 2673 - 2670
Circuit Court - In Equity

Enclosed herewith is a petition to reduce the amount of the award made for support of the minor children of Sicilia and Edward S. Brueggemann, by Decree dated September 26, 1951, rendered in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity.

Since the rendition of this Decree and for about two years Respondent has been in the Veteran's Hospital in St. Louis and his sole income consists of \$54 per month received from the Veteran's Administration. In order to receive any funds from the Guardian we find it necessary to request the amount allowed for support of the children be reduced in accordance with respondent's ability to pay. You will note that the Guardian for the Veteran has accepted service of the Motion through his attorney, John R. Green II.

For this purpose I have prepared a Decree in accordance with the motion which I am requesting be filed, if acceptable to Judge Hall, and trust that the matter may be submitted to him on the sworn motion of Complainant without the necessity of my appearance at Bay Minette. I am also enclosing copy of the Decree which I would thank you to certify to be filed in the Probate Court of St. Louis.

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Register in Chancery
Baldwin County, Alabama
(Brueggemann)


May 17, 1954

Enclosed herewith is satisfaction of judgment for back alimony and support up to the 1st day of February, 1954 which I would thank you to file in the Probate Court and advise me the date this has been done.

I understand that the accumulated costs in the original divorce action have not been paid. I am enclosing check dated April 27, 1954, in the amount of \$55.90, drawn on the Mercantile Trust Company of St. Louis, by Albert S. Brueggemann, as Guardian of the Estate of Edward S. Brueggemann. Kindly let me have a stated bill of the additional costs in connection with modifying this Decree, Albert S. Brueggemann, as Guardian etc.

Thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,


WILLIAM H. COWAN

WHC:mc
encs.

STATE OF ALABAMA I
COUNTY OF BALDWIN
SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN,
COMPLAINANT,
VS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY.
NO. 2673 - 2670

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
RESPONDENT.

Comes Sicilia Brueggemann, complainant in the above styled cause, and shows unto Your Honor and this Honorable Court that on the 26th day of September, 1951, a Decree of Divorce was entered in this cause and under the terms thereof, the respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, was ordered to pay the sum of \$12.00 per week, commencing October 1, 1951 and each Monday thereafter, for the support and maintenance of Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, children of this marriage.

Complainant shows unto Your Honor that subsequent to the rendition of said Decree, the respondent has become incapacitated and is now unemployed and his sole income consists of the sum of \$54.00 per month, received from the Veteran's Administration as a pension, said amount being paid to Albert Brueggemann, as Guardian, of the respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann.

Your Petitioner further shows unto this Court that she has agreed to reduce the amount of the payments for the support of said children from \$12.00 per week as provided in said Decree, to \$20.00 per month, commencing February 1, 1954.

WHEREFORE, Complainant makes this Motion to this Honorable Court to enter an order amending the provisions of said Decree to provide for payments of \$20.00 each month, commencing February 1, 1954 to be paid by the respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, for the support and maintenance of the said Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann.

William H. Cowan
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT

Sicilia Brueggemann
SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN

I hereby accept service of the above styled motion.

John R. Green
AS SOLICITORS FOR RESPONDENT'S GUARDIAN

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF MOBILE(

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said State and County, personally appeared Sicilia Brueggemann, who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says that she has read and signed the foregoing motion and that the statements contained therein are true and correct.

Given under my hand this 10th day of May, 1954.

Sicilia Brueggemann
SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, 1954.

Marcella M. Cowan
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ALABAMA AT LARGE.

SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN,
COMPLAINANT,

VS.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
RESPONDENT.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

NO. 2673 - 2670

DECREE

THIS CAUSE being set for hearing on Motion of Complainant to amend the Decree of this Court heretofore rendered on the 26th day of September, 1951, under the terms of which Respondent was ordered to pay the sum of \$12.00 per week, commencing October 1, 1951, for the support and maintenance of Edward Charles and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, children born of this marriage; and

IT APPEARING from the Motion filed by Complainant that Respondent has appeared and accepted service of said Motion; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING to the Court that Respondent has made satisfaction of the amounts accumulated under the terms of said Decree of this Court for the period ending February 1, 1954; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING to the Court from the said Motion that the financial circumstances of the Respondent have materially changed, and the amount of the award which Respondent was directed to pay for maintenance and support of said minor children should be reduced in accordance with said Motion; and

IT APPEARING that the Court has retained jurisdiction over this cause to make such orders as may be necessary and proper;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the Decree of this Court entered on the 26th day of September, 1951 be, and the same is hereby

amended in that the Respondent is ordered to pay to the Complainant, Sicilia Brueggemann, for the maintenance and support of their minor children, Edward Charles and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, the sum of \$20.00 each month, commencing February 1, 1954, and the 1st day of each month thereafter.

The Court retains jurisdiction over this cause to make such further and different orders as may from time to time be necessary and proper.

DATED THIS 18th DAY OF MAY, 1954.

Hubert M. Hall
JUDGE

S U M M O N S.

STATE OF ALABAMA

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY

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BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

§

IN EQUITY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon Edward S. Brueggemann to appear and plead, answer or demur, within thirty days from the service hereof, to the Bill of Complaint filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity, by Sicilia C. Brueggemann, as Complainant, against Edward S. Brueggemann, as Respondent.

Witness my hand this 18th day of June 1951.


Register

SICILIA C. BRUEGGEMANN)	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
Complainant,)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
VS.)	IN EQUITY.
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN)	
Respondent.)	

Comes your Complainant, Sicilia C. Brueggemann and files this her Bill of Complaint for Divorce against Edward S. Brueggemann, and shows unto your Honor and unto this honorable Court as follows:-

FIRST:

That your Complainant and the Respondent are both over the age of 21 years and resident citizens of Baldwin County, Alabama residing at Daphne; that your Complainant has been a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama all of her life except for a period of time less than 2 years while she was away from this State with the Respondent; that she has been a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama for more than 1 year immediately preceding the filing of this complaint.

SECOND:

That your Complainant and the Respondent were married on heretofore, to-wit: January 12, 1948 and they lived together as man and wife until on account of the matters hereinafter complained of your Complainant was compelled to leave the Respondent and live separate and apart from him; that on, to-wit: March 14, 1950 while your Complainant was pregnant the Respondent struck her with his fist and dragged her about her room by her foot and bruised her arm and committed other violence on her person which was dangerous to her life and health and to the life of her unborn baby and from his conduct she had reason to believe that if she continued to live with him he would commit other violence which would be dangerous to her life and health and on the day following such acts of violence your Complainant was compelled to leave the Respondent.


THIRD:

That there was born to your Complainant and the Respondent 2 children, Edward Charles Brueggemann, age 2½ years and Fredrick Anthony Brueggemann age 8 months; that your Complainant is a fit and proper person to have the care, custody and control of said minor children and the Respondent is not a fit and proper person to

have the care, custody and control. That your Complainant has been compelled to work to support and maintain her children as best she could but she owns no property and does not have sufficient income to properly support and educate them. The Respondent is able to earn a sufficient amount of money to contribute to the support of such children as he is now earning approximately \$200.00 a month; that your Complainant has employed Chason & Stone to represent her in this proceeding and she has no money or property sufficient to pay them and such Respondent should be compelled to pay her Solicitors fee.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS AND RELIEF

The premises considered, your Complainant prays that the above named, Edward S. Brueggemann be made a party Defendant to this cause by the usual writ or process of this Honorable Court requiring him to appear and 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 Honor will grant unto your Complainant an absolute divorce from said Respondent, and that your Honor will award your Complainant the full custody and control of her minor children, Edward Charles Brueggemann and Fredrick Anthony Brueggemann and that the Respondent be required to support such children and that the Respondent be required to pay a reasonable Solicitors fee to Chason & Stone as Solicitors for Complainant; that your Honor will also decree that Complainant be allowed to remarry if she sees fit. Should your Complainant be mistaken in the relief prayed for, that there be granted to her such, other, further and different relief to which she may be entitled and as in duty bound she will ever pray.


Chason & Stone
Solicitors for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALEWIN COUNTY.

Before me, *J. H. Hudson*, a Notary Public, in and for said State and County, personally appeared Sicilia C. Brueggemann, who after being by me first duly and legally sworn, says:-

That the allegations contained in the foregoing Bill of Complaint are true.

Mrs. Sicilia C. Brueggemann

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, whose seal is hereto affixed, this 18 day of June, 1951.

J. H. Hudson
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN,	:	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
COMPLAINANT,	:	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
Vs.	:	IN EQUITY
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,	:	NO. <u>2673- 2670</u>
RESPONDENT.	:	

DECREE

THIS CAUSE being set for hearing on Motion of Complainant to amend the Decree of this Court heretofore rendered on the 26th day of September, 1951, and subsequently amended by Decree of this Court on the 18th day of May, 1954, under the terms of which Respondent was ordered to pay the sum of \$20.00 per month commencing February 1, 1954, for the support and maintenance of Edward Charles and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, children born of this marriage; and

IT APPEARING from the Motion filed by Complainant that Respondent has appeared and accepted service of said Motion; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING to the Court from the said Motion that subsequent to the rendition of this Decree the Veteran's Administration has raised the payment allotment for the support of said children to \$61.65 per month retroactive to January 1, 1956; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING to the Court that Respondent has made satisfaction of the amounts accumulated under the terms of said Decree of this Court for the period ending December 31, 1955; and

IT APPEARING that the Court has retained jurisdiction over this cause to make such orders as may be necessary and proper;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the Decree of this Court entered on the 26th day of September, 1951 and amended by this Court May 18, 1954, be, and the same is hereby further amended in that the Respondent is

ordered to pay to the Complainant, Sicilia Brueggemann, for the maintenance and support of their minor children, Edward Charles and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, the sum of \$61.65 each month commencing January 1, 1956, to be paid by the respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, for the support and maintenance of the said Edward Charles and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann so long as the present monthly benefits paid by the Veteran's Administration are not reduced.

The Court retains jurisdiction over this cause to make such further and different orders as may from time to time be necessary and proper.

DATED THIS 31 day of October, 1956.

Hubert M. J. Lee
JUDGE

Bueggemann

RECORDED

1. Record
2. Minutes

FILED

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ALICE J. DUCK, Registrar

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)
SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN WOOD,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

COMPLAINANT,

NO. 2673-2670

VS.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,

RESPONDENT

Comes Sicilia Brueggemann Wood (formerly Sicilia Brueggemann, complainant in the above styled cause, and shows unto Your Honor and this Honorable Court that on the 26th day of September, 1951, a Decree of Divorce was entered in this cause and under the terms thereof, the respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, was ordered to pay the sum of \$12.00 per week, commencing October 1, 1951 and each Monday thereafter, for the support and maintenance of Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, children of this marriage.

Complainant shows unto Your Honor that subsequent to the rendition of said Decree, the respondent has become incapacitated and is now unemployed and his sole income consists of the sum of \$205.50 per month received from the Veteran's Administration as a pension, said amount being paid to Albert Brueggemann, as Guardian, Edward S. Brueggemann.

Complainant shows that Decree of this Court May 18, 1954 the payments of support as above were reduced to \$20.00 per month, commencing February 1, 1954.

Complainant shows that subsequent to the rendition of this Decree the Veteran's Administration has raised the payment allotment for the support of said children to \$61.65 per month retroactive to January 1, 1956, all as per agreement between the parties hereto, copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

WHEREFORE, Complainant makes this Motion to this Honorable Court to enter an order amending the provisions of said Decree to provide for payments of \$61.65 each month, commencing January 1, 1956 to be paid by the respondent, Edward S. Brueggemann, for the support and maintenance of the said Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann so long as the present monthly benefits paid by the Veteran's Administration are not reduced.

William H. Cowan
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT

Sicilia Brueggemann Wood
COMPLAINANT

I hereby accept service of the above styled motion.

John R. Green
SOLICITOR FOR RESPONDENT
Guardian of Respondent

STATE OF ALABAMA |

COUNTY OF MOBILE |

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said State and County, personally appeared Sicilia Brueggemann Wood, who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says that she has read and signed the foregoing motion and that the statements contained therein are true and correct.

Given under my hand this 25 day of June, 1956.

Sicilia Brueggemann Wood
SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN WOOD

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 25 day of June, 1956.

Virginia Callahan
NOTARY PUBLIC, MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA.

AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, Sicilia Brueggemann Wood (formerly Sicilia Brueggemann), the mother of two minor children of Edward S. Brueggemann, said children being Edward Charles Brueggemann and Frederick Anthony Brueggemann, desires to have the amount of support paid by the estate of said Edward S. Brueggemann for said children increased, and

WHEREAS, the Veterans' Administration has increased the amount of the pension payable to Albert Brueggemann, guardian of Edward S. Brueggemann, and has recommended that the sum of \$61.65 per month be paid to Mrs. Wood for the support of said children by said guardian, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Wood desires that the increased monthly support payments be made retroactive to January 1, 1956.

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between Albert S. Brueggemann, guardian of Edward S. Brueggemann, and Sicilian Brueggemann Wood, mother of the two minor children of Edward S. Brueggemann, that subject to the approval of the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis, Missouri and of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, that the monthly payments for the support of said two minor children be increased to the sum of \$61.65 per month retroactive to January 1, 1956, and that said payments continue at that amount until further order of the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis, Missouri or of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Sicilia Brueggemann Wood
Sicilia Brueggemann Wood

Albert S. Brueggemann
Albert S. Brueggemann, Guardian
as Gdn. of the Per + Est of
Edward S. Brueggemann

WILLIAM H. COWAN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
GRAYSTONE BUILDING
MOBILE, ALABAMA



WEAR YOUR
RED FEATHER
PROUDLY

2673
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Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Clerk,

Circuit Court,

Baldwin County,

Bay Minette, Ala.

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WILLIAM H. COWAN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
GRAYSTONE BUILDING
MOBILE, ALABAMA

October 30, 1956

Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Clerk,
Circuit Court,
Baldwin County,
Bay Minette, Alabama.

Dear Mrs. Duck: RE Brueggemann vs. Brueggemann
No. 2603 - 2670

I am enclosing three (3) copies of another Decree
in the above styled case, one (1) copy to be certified
for me.

Since this matter has been pending since August
2, 1956 and the complainant has not been able to receive
any monies until this is executed and forwarded to St.
Louis, I would very much appreciate if it could be re-
turned to me by return mail, together with cost bill
therefor.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,


WILLIAM H. COWAN

WHC:m
encs.

SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN,
COMPLAINANT,
VS.
EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
RESPONDENT.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY
NO. 2673 - 2670

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The Court retains jurisdiction over this cause to make such further and different orders as may from time to time be necessary and proper.

DATED THIS _____ day of August, 1956.

JUDGE

SICILIA BRUEGGEMANN,
COMPLAINANT,
VS.

EDWARD S. BRUEGGEMANN,
RESPONDENT.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

NO. 2673 - 2670

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DATED THIS _____ day of August, 1956.

JUDGE