

DIVORCE DECREE

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

Zora Martin

, Complainant

vs.

John W. Martin

, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~xxxxxx~~ on Respondents' 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 said

Zora Martin

is forever divorced from the

said

John W. Martin

for and on account of

ABANDONMENT

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that Complainant may resume the use of her maiden name, Zora Wright;

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

the

Complainant

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

This

27

day of

September

1954.

Hubert M. Hare

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

Complainant

vs.

Respondent

DIVORCE DECREE

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT

The Baldwin Times, Bay Minette, Alabama

ZORA MARTIN

No. 3237

vs.

JOHN W. MARTIN

The State of Alabama,

Baldwin County.

Circuit Court, in Equity

This the 14th day of

June, 1954

In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of Zora Martin

that the Defendant John W. Martin

is a non-resident of the State of Alabama

and further, that, in the belief of said Affiant the Defendant is over the age of 21 years; it is, therefore, ordered that publication be made in the ~~Baldwin Times~~ ^{The Fairhope Courier}, a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring

John W. Martin the said Respondent

to answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 16th day of July 1954, or after thirty days therefrom a decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him

Register.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

Zora Martin

Complainant

VS.

John W. Martin

Respondent

I, Frances G. Crawford

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Zora Martin and Vermelle Wright

witness^{es} named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 20th day of September
~~1954~~ 1954, at the office of E. A. Cramer, Attorney,
in Fairhope, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness^{es} to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Zora Martin
doth depose and say as follows:

I am 29 years of age and my husband, John W. Martin, is also 29. We married March 17th 1945 at Alexandria, Louisiana. The honeymoon was over within a year but I continued to try to make a go of it. John could not hold a job and his earnings were so inadequate that we had a hard time getting by. I kept on working or we would have starved. Soon he started talking about how much better off he would be if we had not married. Fortunately, we had no children. Apparently, he preferred to be foot loose and fancy free and, on December 29th 1952, he ran away leaving me with bills to look after and a broken marriage. He has never come back to me since. In February, 1953, I went to live with my brother, Harry Wright, in Fairhope, Alabama, and have lived with him and his family ever since. Presently, I am employed at the Grand Hotel at Point Clear, Alabama. If I am granted a divorce, I would like the right to resume the use of my maiden name, Zora Wright.

Zora Martin

And the said Vermelle Wright doth depose and say as follows;

I am Zora's sister-in-law, Harry's wife. I know that Zora has lived in Fairhope, Alabama, with us since February of 1953. I know that her husband has not lived with her since some months prior to the time when she came to live with us. I know, also, that they were not getting along for a long time before he ran off. I know that she did not hear from him until very recently when he wrote from somewhere in Ohio and stated that he would just as soon that she got a divorce.

Vermelle A. Wright

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Frances G. Crawford, 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 witnesses—and read over to them—and they signed the same in the presence of myself _____ at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witnesses—or had proof made before me of the identity of said witnesses; 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 20th day of September, ~~1944~~ 1954.

Frances G. Crawford (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

vs. Complainant

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

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Zora Martin

vs.

John W. Martin

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

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

Testimony of Complainant and Witness, Vermelle A. Wright

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver

E. A. Cramer
Solicitor For Complainant

Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

vs.

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register

Register.

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Complainant	:	
	:	Baldwin County
vs	:	
	:	Alabama
John W. Martin	:	
Respondent	:	IN EQUITY

To the Honorable Hubert M. Hall, Judge of said Court, sitting in Equity, comes Zora Martin and exhibits this, her Bill of Complaint against John W. Martin, and shows unto Your Honor as follows:

First: Complainant, whose age is 29 years, and Respondent, John W. Martin, whose age is 29 years, intermarried March 17th 1945 at Alexandria, Louisiana.

Second: On ~~XXX~~ December 29th 1952, Respondent did voluntarily abandon Complainant and has continued said abandonment with total neglect of the marital covenant on his part ever since, being for more than one year past.

Third; Complainant has been a legal resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, for more than one year next preceding the filing of the within Bill of Complaint.

The premises considered, Complainant prays that said John W. Martin be, by all due and proper process, made party defendant to the within suit, that he be compelled to plead, answer or demur to the several paragraphs hereof within the time prescribed by law and that he be compelled to abide and obey all orders and decrees made in the premises.

Complainant further prays, upon a hearing of the within cause, that a decree be ordered and entered forever divorcing her from said John W. Martin, granting her the right to resume the use of her maiden name, Zora Wright, and granting her such other, further and different relief as, in Equity, may appear meet and proper.

E. A. Cramer
Solicitor for Complainant

Zora Martin
Complainant

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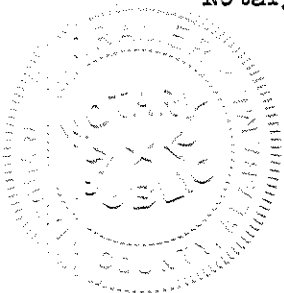
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Baldwin County
Alabama
In Equity

State of Alabama)
) ss,
Baldwin County)

Personally appeared Zora Martin who, being duly sworn, deposes and says; I am the Complainant in the above titled action; John W. Martin, the Respondent, is of the age of twenty nine (29) years and is a non resident of the State of Alabama; I am past the age of twenty one (21) years.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 27th day
of April, A. D. 1954.

Notary Public, Baldwin County,
Alabama

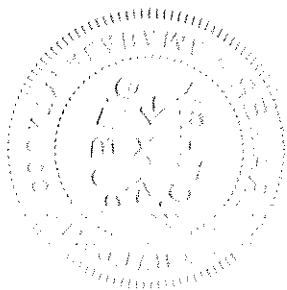


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ALICE I. BUCK, Clerk

Ans.



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ALICE J. DUCK, Register

Zora Martin : Circuit Court
Complainant :
vs : Baldwin County
John W. Martin : Alabama
Respondent : In Equity

Comes John W. Martin, Respondent in the above titled cause, and, for answer to the Bill of Complaint therein, says that he denies each and every allegation therein contained.

Respondent does hereby waive the right to demand for and the issuance of formal commission to take testimony, the right to cross examine Complainants' witnesses or to introduce evidence in his own behalf and he agrees that the within cause may be submitted for final decree at any time without further notice to him upon Complainants' pleadings and evidence as noted by the Register.

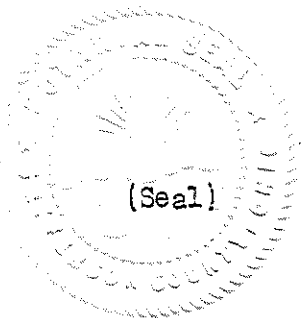
John W. Martin
John W. Martin

State of Ohio

County of Jefferson

Personally appeared John W. Martin, known to me, and he acknowledged that he executed the foregoing answer and waiver voluntarily with full knowledge of the purposes thereof.

Given under my hand and official seal this 7th day of Sept 1954.



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ALICE I. DUCK, Clerk

Frank B. Hargrave
Notary Public

My commission expires 2/8/56



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ALICE I. WALKER, REGISTRAR

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This is to certify that the attached legal notice appeared in the Fairhope Courier, a newspaper published in the City of Fairhope, County of Baldwin, State of Ala. on the dates of June 24, July 1, 8 and 15, 1954.

James H. Crawford
Editor

State of Alabama
Baldwin County

Sworn to and subscribed this 16th day of July, A. D. 1954, before me.

E. Cramer

Notice to Non-Resident

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County,

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

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W. Martin.

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Alice J. Duck, Register
E. A. Cramer, Solicitor for
Complainant

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register

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State of Ala.
Baldwin County

Sworn to and subscribed this 16th day

of July, A. D. 1954, before me.

RECEIPT

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

Equity Division, Circuit Court.

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Date 9-22, 1949

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vs John Martin

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