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

LAURA BELL SMITH WILSON, Complainant

vs.

HERBERT W. WILSON, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Confesso~~ on Answer & 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

Laura Bell Smith Wilson is forever divorced from the said Herbert W. Wilson for and on account of abandonment

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Complainant be and she is hereby given the right to resume the use of her maiden name, Laura Bell Smith.

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 Laura Bell Smith Wilson the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1954  
Hubert M. Hall  
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

LAURABEL SMITH WILSON

Complainant

vs.

HERBERT S. WILSON

Respondent

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
(In Equity)

LAURABELL SMITH WILSONComplainant

VS.

HERBERT W. WILSONRespondent

I, Lyrleene Nixon  
as ~~Register~~ and Commissioner  
have called and caused to come before me Laura Bell Smith Wilson and Wm S. Smith

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1954, at the office of C. LeNoir Thompson  
in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witnesses to speak the  
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Laura Bell Smith Wilson and  
Wm S. Smith doth depose and say as follows:

That my name is Laura Bell Smith Wilson, I am over the age of 18 years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and have been more than two years next preceding, the Respondent, Herbert W. Wilson, is over the age of 21 and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, but is temporarily with the armed services. We were married at Lucedale, Mississippi, on March 29, 1952, and lived together as husband and wife until on, to-wit, March 19, 1953, at which time the Respondent abandoned me without any fault on my part. There are no children as fruits of this marriage and no property to be divided. I respectfully ask the court to grant me the right to resume the use of my maiden name, Laura Bell Smith, as I do not believe we will ever live together again as husband and wife.

Laura Bell Smith Wilson

That my name is Wm S. Smith, I know both parties to this cause, the Complainant is over the age of 18 and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been all of her live, the Respondent is over the age of 21 years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been all of his life, but is temporarily with the Armed Service. They were married in Lucedale, Mississippi, on March 29, 1952, and lived together as husband and wife until on or about March 19, 1953, at which time the Respondent abandoned the Complainant without any fault on her part, I do not know of any cause she gave him for this abandonment. I do not believe they will ever live together again as husband and wife.

Wm. S. Smith

ORAL EXAMINATION

I, Lyrleene Nixon, as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition is on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness ----- and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself and C. LeNoir Thompson

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness as or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness as; 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 19 54  
Lyrleene Nixon (L. S.)

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vs.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
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IN EQUITY  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint, \_\_\_\_\_  
Answer & Waiver and testimony of witnesses, Laura Bell Smith Wilson and  
Wm S. Smith

and in behalf of Defendant upon \_\_\_\_\_

*C. F. Davis Thompson*

*Reigel-Whitlock*

Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

LAURA BELL SMITH WILSON

vs.

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NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this

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Register.

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COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITIONS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT

TO: Ivyleen Nixon

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 Laura Bell Smith Wilson and Wm S. Smith

as witnesses in behalf of Laura Bell Smith Wilson in a cause pending in our Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Laura Bell Smith Wilson

\_\_\_\_\_, Complainant  
and \_\_\_\_\_

Herbert W. Wilson

\_\_\_\_\_, Respondent

on oath, to be by you administered, upon \_\_\_\_\_  
to take and certify the deposition<sup>s</sup> of the witness<sup>es</sup> and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1954

Reese Drake  
Register.

Commissioner's Fee, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**

**CIRCUIT COURT**

LAURA DELL SMITH WILSON

Complainant—

**vs.**

HERBERT W. WILSON

Defendant—

**COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION**

**COMMISSIONER**

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ALICE L. DUCK, Register



STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon Herbert W. Wilson 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 Laura Bell Smith Wilson, as Complainant and against Herbert W. Wilson, as Respondent.

Witness my hand this the \_\_\_\_ day of May, 1954.

Register

LAURA BELL SMITH WILSON,	Ø	
		IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
COMPLAINANT,	Ø	
		BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
VS	Ø	
		IN EQUITY.
HERBERT W. WILSON,	Ø	
RESPONDENT.	Ø	
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TO HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,  
ALABAMA:

Your Complainant, Laura Bell Smith Wilson, respectfully represents  
unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant and the Respondent are both bona fide residents  
of Baldwin County, Alabama, and are over the age of 21 years.

2.

That your Complainant and the Respondent were married in Lucedale,  
Mississippi, on March 29, 1952, and lived together as husband and wife  
until, on to-wit: March 19, 1953.

3.

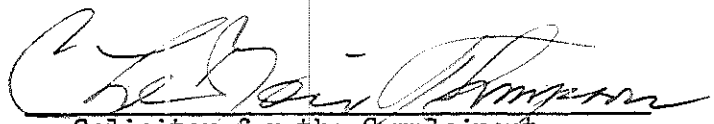
That on March 19, 1953, while your Complainant and the Respondent were  
living together the Respondent voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of  
your Complainant, and has remained away voluntarily and continuously since  
that time.

4.

That the Complainant and the Respondent have no children as fruits  
of this marriage, and there is no property to be divided.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, the Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process make the said Herbert W. Wilson, party Respondent to this cause of action, 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 hearing hereof, your Honor will enter an order and decree granting her and absolute decree of divorce, forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between her and the Respondent; That she be granted such other, further, different or general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive.

  
Solicitor for the Complainant.

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LAURA BELL SMITH WILSON,

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VS

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RESPONDENT

Bill of Complaint

C. LeNoir Thompson  
Attorney At Law  
Bay Minette, Alabama

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COMPLAINANT,

VS

HERBERT W. WILSON,  
RESPONDENT.

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

Now comes the Respondent and accepts service of the summons and complaint in this cause.

The Respondent admits the allegations as to ages and marriage and residence, but denies all other allegations contained in the bill of complaint, and demands strict proof of the same.

The Respondent waives notice of the time of taking of testimony on behalf of the Complainant; the right to cross-examine Complainant's witnesses; and agrees that this cause be submitted for final decree without notice.

Herbert W. Wilson

STATE OF

COUNTY OF

I, HERBERT E. SORRELL Ass't Adj, //////////

//////, in said State, hereby certify that Herbert W. Wilson, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 25 day of June 1954.

Herbert E. Sorrell

HERBERT E. SORRELL  
1st Lt., Infantry  
Ass't Reg't'l Adj

C. LeNoir Thompson  
Attorney At Law  
Bay Minette, Alabama

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Answer & Waiver

RESPONDENT.

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