

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

<u> Julia Penn Brow</u>	Complainant , Complainant
	vs.
Willie E. Brown	, Respondent
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	reed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofor
existing between the Complainant and Defendan	at be, and the same are hereby, dissolved, and that the said
Julia Penn Brown	in formand dimension of forms at
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said Willie E. Brown	for and on account o
Voluntary Abandonment.	
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Complainant is hereby giver	2 custody of WILLTE DAVIS BROWN and
JACQUELINE BROWN, children	of said marriage, with Defendant
howing the might to might t	them at reasonable times and places.
	ed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty each other during the pendency of said appeal.
It is further ordered that the Complainan	t and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted to e cost of this suit.
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the Complainant pay th	ne cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.
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going is of the Ci	Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the fore- a correct copy of the original decree rendered by the Judge ircuit Court in the above stated cause, which said decree and enrolled in my office.
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# DIVORCE DECREE

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ELLIOTT G. RICKARBY (DECEASED)

#### **RICKARBY & RICKARBY**

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

E. G. RICKARBY, JR.

22 September 1954

Mrs. Alice J. Duck Clerk Circuit Court Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Re: Julia Fenn Brown Vs: Willie E. Brown

With this we are handing you waiver and depositions, note of evidence and drafted decree in the above case.

Please get us a divorce quick. Thanks.

Yours very truly,

E. G. Rickarby, Jr.

R/i **2**acls. 2020 JULIA PENN BROWN,

Complainant

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

-VS-

IN EQUITY

WILLIE E. BROWN,

No. 3315

Respondent

## NOTE OF EVIDENCE

At the hearing of this cause the following note of evidence was taken, to-wit:

#### FOR COMPLAINANT:

Original bill of complaint, depositions of Julia Penn Brown and Sarah Penn, witnesses for Complainant.

FOR RESPONDENT:

Answer and waiver.

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E. G. Rickarby, Jr., Solicitor for Complainant.

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My name is JULIA PENN BROWN and I am married to WILLIE E. BROWN. Both of us have been living in Baldwin County, Alabama, for the last twenty years and are both now living in Baldwin County in Daphne, Alabama.

We were married on the 9th of October, 1941, and lived together as husband and wife until 5 September, 1950, when he voluntarily abandoned my bed and board.

He left merwith these two children and I tried to get some support out of him back in 1950 but he would not support his children. We continued to live separate and apart ever since the 5th of September, 1950, and still live separate and apart.

There are two children born to this marriage—Willie Davis Brown and Jacqueline Brown, aged twelve and ten respectively. Both of these children are living with me and are happy with me and I see about their food, clothing and education and want to continue to and am the suitable person to have the care and custody of these children.

I am asking for this divorce from Willie E. Brown and am asking for the Court to give me the care and custody of these children. I was a good wife to Willie E. Brown and gave him no reason to leave me.

Julia Penn Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the <u>Jote</u>day of September, 1954.

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My name is SARAH PENN and I am the sister of JULIA PENN, who married WILLIE E. BROWN. Julia Penn Brown, my sister, is over the age of twenty-one years and is married to Willie E. Brown and both she and Willie have been resident citizens in Baldwin County, Alabama, living at Daphne, Alabama, and have lived there all their lives and are now living there.

They were married several years ago and lived together as husband and wife until the first part of September, 1950, when they separated.

Willie E. Brown left my sister, Julia Penn Brown, and they have been living separate and apart and have not lived together since that time. He voluntarily abandoned her bed and board.

They have two children, WILLIE DAVIS BROWN, who is now ten is now twelve years old and JACQUELINE BROWN, who is now ten years old. Both of these children are now living with Julia and Julia is taking care of them and the children are happy living with Julia, their mother, and she is the best person to take care of them.

Sarah Penn

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 2/24 day of September, 1954.

Thomas C. Jeley Commissioner. I, Florence C. Isbell, acting as Commissioner by agreement of parties, do hereby certify that in a case pending in the Equity side of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, wherein JULIA PENN BROWN is Complainant and WILLIE E. BROWN is Respondent, I caused the witnesses, namely, Julia Penn Brown and Sarah Penn, who were made known to me, to come to my office in the Bank Building in the City of Fairhope, Alabama, where the said witnesses after being first duly sworn by me, upon examination by E. G. Rickarby, Jr., Esq., of Counsel for Complainant, testified as hereinbefore written;

And that their testimony was by me reduced to writing as given by them, as near as might be in their identical language, and after being so reduced to writing, was read over by the said witnesses, who assented to and signed the same in my presence.

I further certify that I am not of counsel or kin to either of the parties to the cause, or anywise interested in the results thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal as commissioner this the 21st day of September, 1954.

Thurst C. Johnson

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ALIGE J. DUCK, Register

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JULIA PENN BROWN,

Complainant

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

-VS-

IN EQUITY

WILLIE E. BROWN.

Respondent

### ANSWER AND WAIVER

Comes WILLIE E. BROWN, Respondent in the above styled cause, and for answer to the bill of complaint says he denies each allegation of same.

Respondent hereby waives notice of demand for oral examination of Complainant's witnesses; of the issue of commission to take testimony; of the time and place set for taking same and of the right to introduce evidence in his own behalf.

Respondent further agrees that this cause may be submitted for final decree at any time on the pleading and Complainant's evidence as noted by the Register.

Wellie E. Brown
Respondent.

STATE OF ALABAMA: COUNTY OF BALDWIN:

Before me, the undersigned Notary Fublic, personally appeared Willie E. Brown who is known to me to be the Respondent above named and who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing answer voluntarily with knowledge of its contents.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this the <u>18thday</u> of Sept., 1954.

Martha W.M. Alabama.
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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ALICE 1. DUCK, Clerk

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HONCR ABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA; IN EQUITY:

Comes JULIA PENN BROWN, by this her bill of complaint presented against WILLIE E. BROWN, respectfully shows:

FIRST: That Complainant and Defendant are both over the age of twenty-one years and both were bona fide residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, up until they separated as hereinafter alleged and the Complainant is now and has been for three years next preceding the filing of this bill, a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

SECOND: That Complainant and Defendant were married in Bay Minette, Alabama, on 9 October, 1941, and lived together as husband and wife until about 5 September, 1950, and have not lived together since.

THIRD: That Defendant has voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of this Complainant on or about the 5th day of September, 1950, and said abandonment has continued until the present date.

FOURTH: That to this marriage there has been born the following children, namely: WILLIE DAVIS BROWN, age twelve; and JACQUELINE BROWN, age ten; and Complainant alleges that she is a suitable person to have the care and custody of said children and that it is to the best interests of said children to be under the care and custody of this Complainant.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that the Defter endant be made party to this cause by proper process, required to answer this bill within the time prescribed by law. Complainant further prays that on a hearing of this cause a decree be rendered forever disorcing her from the said Willie E. Brown, granting her the right to re-marry should she so desire and giving her the care and custody of said minor children and for such other, further or different relief as to equity may seem meet.

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ALICE 1. DUCK, Clerk

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