

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Term, 194\_\_\_\_\_

Ruth Ryan, Complainant

Vs.

Michael Ryan, Defendant

To R. S. Duck, Register

In the above stated cause a Decree Pro Confesso having been taken against the Defendant, and evidence having been taken, and the cause being ready for submission for final decree, and no defense having been interposed, the Complainant, by\_\_\_\_\_

Beebe & Hall Solicitors of record, now files with the Register of this

Court this written request to deliver the papers in this cause to the Judge for final decree in vacation.

Beebe & Hall  
By: W C Beebe  
Solicitor for Complainant.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

No. \_\_\_\_\_, Term, 19\_\_\_\_

Ruth Ryan

Complainant

Vs.

Michael Ryan

Defendant

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against

Michael Ryan

Defendant

in the annexed stated cause, on the ground that more than thirty days have elapsed since the perfection of publication was made under the order of this Court; and it having been shown by due proof to the Court that said Defendant is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and has failed to answer, plead or demur to the Bill in this cause, to the date hereof

This 27 day of July 1944

Beebe & Hall

By *W.C. Beebe* Solicitor.

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 Ruth Ryan  
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 VS.  
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 Michael Ryan  
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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, \_\_\_\_\_  
 decree pro confesso, testimony of Complainant's witness \_\_\_\_\_  
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and in behalf of Defendant upon \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Dee H. Hall*  
*Register*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Register.

# The BALDWIN Times

ALABAMA'S BEST COUNTY'S-

BEST NEWSPAPER

BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Ford Cook, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the PUBLISHER of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of

Notice to Non-Resident

**NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT**  
The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County,  
Circuit Court, in Equity.  
This the 24th day of May, 1944.  
Duth Ryan,  
No. 1132,  
Michael Ryan,  
In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of W. E. Beebe that the Defendant, Michael Ryan, 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, a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks requiring the said Michael Ryan to answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 26th day of June 1944, or after thirty days therefrom a Decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him.  
R. S. DUCK, Register.  
Beebe & Hall,  
Solicitors for Complainant.  
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I hereby certify this is correct, due and unpaid ~~(paid)~~.

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Publisher.

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Date of 4th publication June 15, 1944 Vol. 55 No. 20

Subscribed and sworn before the undersigned this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1944.

Notary Public, Baldwin County.

Ford Cook  
Publisher.

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA 2---GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, that you summon MICHAEL RYAN 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 RUTH RYAN against the said MICHAEL RYAN, 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1944.

*R. S. Duck*  
Register.

RUTH RYAN  
COMPLAINANT  
  
VS.  
  
MICHAEL RYAN  
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, RUTH RYAN, and humbly complaining against the Defendant, MICHAEL RYAN, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That the Complainant is over the age of twenty-one years and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama; that the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years and Complainant is informed and believes that he is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and upon such information alleges that he is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, but that his place of residence and post office address is unknown to this Complainant and this Complainant has made diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same but has been unable to do so. The last known place of

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

Ruth Ryan Complainant

VS

Michael Ryan Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decrees Pro Confesso on \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Ruth Ryan is forever divorced from the said

Michael Ryan

for and on account of

Voluntary Abandonment

Complainant is authorized to resume her maiden name of Ruth Moss.

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 Ruth Ryan

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

It is further ordered that Ruth Ryan

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

This 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1944  
F. 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\_\_\_\_

Register of Circuit Court, in Equity.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

No. \_\_\_\_\_, Term, 19\_\_\_\_

Ruth Ryan \_\_\_\_\_ Complainant

Vs.

Michael Ryan \_\_\_\_\_ Defendant

In this cause it appears to the Register R. S. Duck that the order of publication heretofore made in this cause, was published for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the 25th day of May, 1944, in the Baldwin Times a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Alabama, that a copy of said order was posted at the Court House door in Baldwin County, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 194 and \_\_\_\_\_

And it now further appearing to the Register R. S. Duck that the said

Michael Ryan

having, to the date hereof, failed to demur, plead to, or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause, it is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant \_\_\_\_\_, ordered and decreed by the Register R. S. Duck \_\_\_\_\_ that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said Michael Ryan

This 27 day of July 1944  
R. S. Duck Register.

..... Ruth Ryan .....  
Complainant,  
VS.  
..... Michael Ryan .....  
Respondent.

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

**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:.....

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

Beebe & Hall  
By: *W. C. Beebe*  
.....  
Solicitor for Complainant.

**NOTE:**

Complainant suggests the name of ..... Virginia Keel .....

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

Beebe & Hall  
By: *W. C. Beebe*  
.....  
Solicitor for Complainant.



NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT

TIMES PRINTING CO., BAY MINETTE

RUTH RYAN.  
 No. ~~1124~~ 1124  
 vs.  
MICHAEL RYAN.

The State of Alabama,  
 \_\_\_\_\_ County.  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Circuit Court, in Equity  
 This the 24th day of  
May, 1944

In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of  
W C Deebe

that the Defendant Michael Ryan.

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, a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said Michael Ryan.

to answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 26th June. day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1944, or after thirty days therefrom a decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him.

Deebe & Hall  
 Solicitors for Complainant

Register.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County



CIRCUIT COURT

TO Virginia Keel

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 Ruth Ryan

as witnesses in behalf of Ruth Ryan in a cause pending in our Circuit Court of Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Ruth Ryan

Complainant

and Michael Ryan

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon oral examination

to take and certify the deposition of the witness and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 19 44

R. S. Black

REGISTER

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

Witness' Fees, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**The State Of Alabama**  
Baldwin County

In Circuit Court, In Equity

vs. Complainant.

Respondent.

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DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION.

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Complainant,

Vs.

.....  
Respondent.



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

Filed this 28 day of January,  
1947.....

R. Duval  
Register.

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The State of Alabama,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

*Steyman*  
*Ryan*

VS.

*Steyman*  
*Ryan*

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this

*28*

day of

*July*  
*Blundell*

19*4*

Register.

The State of Alabama,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Complainant \_\_\_\_\_

Vs.

Defendant \_\_\_\_\_

Motion for Decree Pro Confesso  
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*W. S. Duck*

Register.

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**The State of Alabama,**

Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

~~Stacy~~  
Ryan

Vs.

~~Stacy~~  
Ryan

**REQUEST FOR DECREE IN  
VACATION**

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County

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

Ruth Ryan COMPLAINANT

VS.

Michael Ryan RESPONDENT

I, Virginia Keel

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me

Ruth Ryan

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 28 day of July

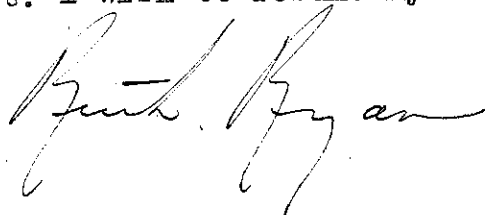
1944, at the office of Beebe & Hall

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said witness to speak the truth,

the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Ruth Ryan

doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Ruth Ryan. I am over the age of twenty-one years and am a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama where I have resided for more than twelve months next preceding May 24th, 1944; that Michael Ryan is over the age of twenty-one years and when last of was in New York City, N. Y. a better place of residence and post office address is not known and I have made diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same but have been unable to do so. I am Complainant and he is Defendant in that cause pending in Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity of Ruth Ryan versus Michael Ryan. He and I are husband and wife having intermarried in New York, February 5th, 1925. He voluntarily abandoned me without just cause and legal excuse in New York City in the month of June, 1930. We have lived together since. I have not seen him for more than ten years. He is over forty-five years of age and is not in the military service of the United States. He has made no contribution to my support. I wish to resume my maiden name of Ruth Moss.



ORAL EXAMINATION

I, Virginia Keel, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition— on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness— and read over to me and she signed the same in the presence of myself and W. C. Beebe at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness— or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness—; 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 28 day of July, 1944.

Virginia Keel

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

**IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY**

Complainant

Vs.

Respondent

**ORAL DEPOSITION**

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