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Alice J. Duck, Clerk Register Circuit Court of Baldwin County Baldwin County Courthouse Bay Minette, Alabama

> Re: George B. Clarke vs. Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc. Case No. 7936

Dear Mrs. Duck:

CHAS. C. HAND C. B. ARENDALL, JR.

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The plaintiff's attorney in the above-styled case has consented to service of the enclosed interrogatories, and I have mailed a copy to him.

Very truly yours,

For the Firm

WRM.bb

Enclosure

GEORGE B. CLARKE,	)	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
	)	
vs.	)	AT LAW
	)	
VERNON M. SPEARS and	)	
DOXOL GAS, INC., a	)	
corporation,	)	
	)	•
Defendants.	)	CASE NO. 7936

#### ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES

Comes now George B. Clarke, and answers the interrogatories propounded to the plaintiff by the defendants, as follows:

- l. George B. Clarke, Jr. 48 P. O. Box 37, Point Clear, Alabama. Alabama Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company, Mobile, Ala.
  - 2. Ford V8 1965, Fairlane, Fordor Sedan
    - (a) George B. Clarke, Jr., P. O. Box 37, Point Clear, Alabama.
    - (b) George B. Clarke, Jr., March 22, 1965.
    - (c) \$2,945.42.
    - (d) None.
  - 3. (a) See attached estimate from Bolton Ford of Mobile, Inc. and Treadwell Ford of Mobile.
    - (b) Damage repaired by Bolton Ford, See attached invoice.
    - (c) George B. Clarke, Jr.
    - (d) Seven days
    - (e) Vehicle not sold as of this date.
    - (f) Approximately 25,000 miles.
    - (g) 47,100 miles.
    - (h) Brakes good, horn good, steering apparatus good, tires and lighting equipment good.
    - (i) No official inspection performed or required in area in which was operated.

- 4. See attached report filed (Form SR-13) with Safety Responsibility Unit, P. O. Box 1471, Montgomery, Alabama.
  - (a) See report above.
  - (b) See report above.
  - (c) Approximately 500-700 feet to rear.
  - (d) Approximately 500-700 feet to front.
  - (e) None
  - 5. See report as outlined in (4) above.
    - (a) Same as above.
    - (b) Same as above.
    - (c) Same as above.
    - (d) None.
  - 6. See 4 (c) above.
    - (a) Yes.
    - (b) See 4 (c) above.
    - (c) See 4 (c) above.
    - (d) Not applicable.
    - (e) Not applicable.
    - (f) No traffic signal lights in area.
    - (g) See report as outlined in (4) above.
    - (h) Not applicable.
  - 7. No.
    - (a) Not applicable.
    - (b) Not applicable.
  - 8. (a) Proceeding slowly in right lane, approximately 10-15 miles per hour.
    - (b) Proceeding slowly in right lane, approximately 10-15 miles per hour.
    - (c) Proceeding slowly and turning left, approximately 10-15 miles per hour.
    - (d) Proceeding slowly and turning left, approximately 10-15 miles per hour.
    - (e) Proceeding slowly and turning left, approximately 10-15 miles per hour.
    - (f) Proceeding slowly and turning left, approximately
      5 miles per hour.

- (g) Proceeding slowly and turning into driveway on left side of road at approximately 2-5 miles per hour.
  - (h) 0.
  - 9. See report attached as outlined in (4) above.
    - (a) Approximately 21 feet.
    - (b) See report as outlined in (4) above and also 8(a) through (h) above.
  - 10. (a) See 8 (a) through (h) above.
    - (b) See report attached as outlined in (4) above.
  - 11. Yes, brakes applied.
    - (a) 45-50 miles per hour.
    - (b) Approximately 105 feet.
    - (c) Approximately 110 feet.
  - 12. Right front forward end of plaintiff's car contacted left side of defendant's car just forward of left rear wheel. No other contact.
  - 13. Defendant's vehicle approximately 5-10 feet.
    Plaintiff's vehicle approximately 5 feet.
    - (a) Defendant's vehicle ahead and skidded to side.
    - (b) Plaintiff's vehicle approximately straight ahead.
    - (c) See report attached as outlined in (4) above.
    - (d) See report attached as outlined in (4) above.
  - 14. (a) 45-50 miles per hour.
    - (b) 45-50 miles per hour.
    - (c) Brakes applied and skid marks started 105 feet from point of impact.
    - (d) Indeterminate, car skidding.
    - (e) Indeterminate, car skidding.
    - (f) Indeterminate, car skidding.
    - (g) Approximately 5-10 miles per hour.
    - (h) Same as (a) above.

- 15. No horns sounded.
  - (a) No stopping or turning signals were given.
  - (b) None given.
- 16. No other vehicles in sight in either direction.
  - (a) Not applicable.
  - (b) Not applicable.
  - (c) Not applicable.
- 17. (a) See item 21 of report attached as outlined in (4) above. Statement per item 21 made when plaintiff got out of car and walked up to defendant.
  - (b) See defendant's statement.
  - (c) No witnesses present.

Long b Clarke, Plaintiff

STATE OF ALABAMA:
COUNTY OF Baldwin:

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared George B. Clarke, Jr., who being by me first duly sworn, doth depose and say that the foregoing answers to interrogatories are true and correct.

/Korge / Walle George / B. Clarke, Plaintiff

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this day of suly, 1968.

NOTARY PUBLIC, State at Jagounia, ALABAMA

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I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing answers to interrogatories on Hand, Arendall, Bedsole, Greaves & Johnson, Attorneys for Defendant, by depositing a copy of same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to said attorneys at their office in Mobile, Alabama, on this the

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February 9, 1968

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

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Please find enclosed a replication for the case of George B. Clarke vs Vernon M. Spears et al, #7936.

Yours very truly,

Wilson Hayes

WH/rkh Encl: 1 Please return to: W. Ramsey McKinney, Esq. P. O. Box 123
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August 14, 1968

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

> Re: George B. Clarke vs. Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc. Case No. 7936

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Please let me know as soon as the above-styled case is set for trial. Both Mr. Hayes, who represents the plaintiff, and I are anxious to have this case tried as soon as it is convenient with the court.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

For the Firm

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Re: George B. Clarke v. Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc.

Case No. 7936

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Please issue a subpoena to C. D. Johnston, badge number 208, to appear and testify in the above styled case, which is set for trial on January 30, 1969. Mr. Johnston may be served at the Alabama State Troopers office in Foley, Alabama. Personal service is requested.

Very truly yours,

For the Firm

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GEORGE B. CLARKE, : IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

Plaintiff, : BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

vs. : AT LAW

VERNON M. SPEARS and :

DOXOL GAS, INC.,

a corporation,

Defendants. : CASE NO. 7936

#### MOTION TO REQUIRE ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES

Comes now each of the following defendants, separately and severally, Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc., a corporation, and shows unto the Court that each said defendant has filed with the Clerk of the Court interrogatories directed to the plaintiff; that said interrogatories were served on the plaintiff, on, to-wit, the 29th day of February, 1968; that more than sixty days have elapsed since said date and that the plaintiff has not answered said interrogatories.

WHEREFORE, each said defendant moves the Court to attach the plaintiff and to cause the plaintiff to answer fully in open Court, or to tax the plaintiff with such costs as may be just and to continue the cause until full answers are made, or to direct a non-suit to be entered, or to render such other judgment or decree as would be appropriate if the plaintiff had offered no evidence, or to require the plaintiff to answer said interrogatories on or before a day certain to be fixed by the Court.

Paul W. Brock

W. Ramsey McKinney

Attorneys for Defendants

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OF COUNSEL:

HAND, ARENDALL, BEDSOLE, GREAVES & JOHNSTON

JUN 28 1968

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing interrogatories on Hayes and Boggs, Attorneys for Plaintiff, by depositing same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to said attorneys at their office in Spanish Fort, Alabama, on this, the M. Kausey Mchinney

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- 1. Vernon M. Spears, 48, 606 Johnson Avenue, Fairhope, Alabama, Drawer AF, Fairhope, Alabama. Doxol Gas, Inc., Drawer AF, Fairhope, Alabama.
  - 2. 1965, Biscayne, two-door Chevrolet.
    - (a) Doxol Gas, Inc.; Drawer AF, Fairhope, Alabama.
    - (b) Suburban Gas Company, May 15, 1965.
    - (c) \$2,399.00.
    - (d) None.
- 3. Copy of repair bill attached, which shows items of damage. Fair reasonable market value prior to said accident—\$2,500.00; fair reasonable market value subsequent to said accident—\$2,100.00.
  - (a) Copy of repair estimate attached which gives the information called for.
  - (b) Yes. Copy of repair bill showing name and address of repair company is attached.

- (c) Suburban Gas Company.
- (d) Approximately five days.
- (e) Sold to Solomon Motor Company, Dothan, Alabama for \$1,100.00.
- (f) Approximately 38,000 miles.
- (g) Unknown.
- (h) The condition of the brakes, horn, steering apparatus, tires and lighting equipment on said motor vehicle were each good.
- (i) Said vehicle was checked and lubricated every 1,000 miles. Fairhope Shell.
- 4. Copy of sketch is attached.
- 5. Yes.
  - (a) At intersection of U.S. Highway 98 and private driveway.
  - (b) None.
  - (c) Terrain was flat, road was straight at point of accident.
  - (d) None.
- 6. I do not understand interrogatories 6, 6(a), 6(b),6(c), and 6(d). I am one of the named defendants in this suit.
  - (f) There were no traffic signal lights at the location of the accident.
  - (g) Approximately two to three feet left of the center line.
  - (h) I was beginning to enter a private driveway.

- 7. None.
  - (a) None.
  - (b) None.
- 8. I do not understand this question. I am one of the defendants named in this lawsuit.
- 9. Both vehicles were traveling in the same direction along U.S. Highway 98 East.
  - (a) 21 feet.
  - (b) I was making a gradual left turn. Naturally, in making this turn, I crossed the center line of the highway.
- 10. I turned on my left turn signal, glanced in my rear view mirror and began gradually applying my brakes to slow my vehicle to a turning speed. Then I began making a gradual left turn. At this point the impact occurred.
  - (a) I do not understand this question. I am one of the named defendants in this lawsuit.
  - (b) As stated above, I was making a gradual left turn.

#### 11. Yes.

- (a) Approximately 20 miles an hour.
- (b) Approximately 150 to 200 feet.
- (c) Approximately the same distance as stated in (b).
- 12. The left rear of my vehicle, and the right front of Mr. Clarke's vehicle. My left front then came into contact with Mr. Clarke's left front.

- 13. My car traveled approximately eight to ten feet in a spin. Mr. Clarke's vehicle bounced back approximately two to three feet after impact.
  - (a) Already answered immediately above.
  - (b) My vehicle left skid marks as it spun around after impact.
  - (c) Mr. Clarke's vehicle left approximately 104 feet to 108 feet of skid marks leading up to the point of collision.
  - (d) Both vehicles came to rest on the left of the center line. My vehicle was spun around 180° from the direction in which I had been traveling. Mr. Clarke's vehicle came to rest on the left of the center line, facing in the same direction in which he had been traveling.
  - 14. (a) Approximately 20 miles per hour.
    - (b) Approximately 15 miles per hour.
    - (c) Approximately 10 miles per hour.
    - (d) Approximately 8 to 10 miles per hour.
    - (e) Approximately the same as in (d).
    - (f) Approximately five miles per hour.
    - (g) Approximately the same as in (f).
    - (h) Approximately the same as in (f).
  - 15. I heard no horn or any other signal of warning.
    - (a) I gave a left turn signal approximately 300 feet from the point of collision.

(b) As stated above, I heard no passing signal of warning.

#### 16. None.

- (a) No answer required.
- (b) No answer required.
- (c) No answer required.

#### 17. Yes.

- (a) Immediately after the collision I got out of my vehicle and introduced myself and asked Mr.

  Clarke if I could see his driver's license.
- (b) I do not understand this question. I am one of the defendants named in this lawsuit. However, at the scene of the accident, Mr. Clarke stated that he was going to be late for his football game on television.

(c)	None	
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Vernon M. Spears, individually and as an employee of Doxol Gas, Inc.

STATE	of	ALABAMA:	
COUNTY	OF	120all	:

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared Vernon M. Spears, individually and as an employee of Doxol Gas, Inc., who being by me first duly sworn, doth depose and say that the foregoing answers to interrogatories are true and correct.

Vernon M. Spears, individually and as an employee of Doxol Gas, Inc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 27 day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1968.

NOTARY PUBLIC, Modele COUNTY, ALABAMA

JUN 28 1968



## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing answers to interrogatories on Hayes and Boggs, Attorneys for Plaintiff, by depositing a copy of same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to said attorneys at their office in Spanish Fort, Alabama, on this, the 27 day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1968.

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# Fairhope Paint & Body Shop

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GEORGE B. CLARKE,	) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
Plaintiff,	) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
vs.	) AT LAW )
VERNON M. SPEARS and DOXOL GAS, INC., a corporation,	) ) )
Defendants.	) CASE NO. 7936

## INTERROGATORIES TO THE DEFENDANTS

Comes now the Plaintiff, G. B. Clarke, Individual, and, desiring the testimony of the defendants, Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc., a Corporation, propound to the defendant the following interrogatories, as is provided under Section 477, et seq., of Title 7 of the CODE OF ALABAMA of 1940, to-wit:

- State your correct name, age, residence address and business address.
- 2. Describe completely and in detail the vehicle driven by you on the occasion of the accident made the basis of this suit, stating in your answer the make, year, model and body style of the same. (a) State the name and address of the owner of said motor vehicle on the date of said accident. (b) State by whome said motor vehicle had been purchased prior to said accident, and give the date of the purchase. (c) How much was paid for said motor vehicle at thetime of said purchase? (d) Give the name and address of any other person who had any interest of any nature whatsoever in said motor vehicle at the time of said accident and describe that interest.

- 3. Describe completely and in detail every item of damage sustained by said motor vehicle on the occasion of said accident. State in your opinion the fair reasonable market value of said motor vehicle immediately prior to said accident and also immediately after said accident, before it was repaired. (a) Give the amount of each repair estimate obtained as to said damage, and give the name and address of the person or company making said repair estimate. (b) State whether or nor any of said damage was repaired, and, if so, give the amount of the repair bill and the name and address of the person, firm or corporation that made said repairs. (c) State who paid for said repairs. (d) State how long the motor vehicle was in the repair shop. (e) State whether or not said motor vehicle has been sold subsequently to the date of the accident made the basis of this suit, and, if so, for what amount, and state the name and address of the person, firm or corporation to which said vehicle was sold. (f) Give the mileage reading of said motor vehicle at thetime of the accident made the basis of this suit. (g) Give the mileage reading of said motor vehicle at thetime of answering these interrogatories. (h) Describe the condition of the brakes, horn, steering apparatus, tires and lighting equipment on said motor vehicle, separately, at the time of the accident made the basis of this suit. (i) When had the brakes, horn, steering apparatus, lights and tires on said motor vehicle, separately, last been inspected prior to said accident, and by whom?
- 4. Prepare and attach to your answers to these interrogatories a sketch portraying the scene of the accident and the physical objects involved in the accident made the basis of this suit, and designate on said sketch, giving your best judgment as to distances, the following: (a) The point of impact and skid marks leading up to and from same. (b) The resting places

of the vehicles after the accident. (c) Where you were located when you first saw the defendant's vehicle. (d) Where the defendant's or other vehicle was located when first seen by you.

(e) The placement of any other vehicles or physical objects which had anything to do with said accident.

- 5. State whether or not the accident made the basis of this suit occurred at an intersection of streets or highways, and, if so, then state: (a) At what intersection of streets or highways said accident occurred. (b) Whether any buildings or objects were then located within any of the four corners of the intersection which would obscure the vision of any person approaching the intersection. (c) Describe the locus of said accident with reference to the contour of the land, the grade or curve of the road, highway or intersection and any physical structures located within 200 feet of the place of the accident. (d) Describe any traffic controls located at the scene of the accident and the operation of same, stating the directions in which said traffic signals or controls faced.
- 6. State where the motor vehicle allegedly operated by or on behalf of the defendant (hereinafter sometimes called defendant's motor vehicle) was located with reference to the point of impact in the accident made the basis of this suit when you first observed same immediately prior to said accident. (a) Did you see the defendant's motor vehicle before the actual collision?

  (b) How many feet was the defendant's motor vehicle from the place of the impact when you first observed same? (c) How many feet were you from the place of impact when you first observed the defendant's motor vehicle? (d) Where was the defendant's motor vehicle with reference to the intersection when you first entered same? (f) Describe the condition of all automatic traffic signal lights located in the intersection at the time each of said motor vehicles entered

same on the occasion of the accident made the basis of this suit, state the condition, if you know, of the color or the light which was facing the approaching driver. (g) Where did the impact occur with reference to the center line of the highway on which defendant's motor vehicle was traveling? (h) How far distant were you from the nearest intersection when the impact occurred?

- 7. State whether or not any of the operators of any of the vehicles involved in the accident made the basis of this suit were intoxicated, in your opinion, or were drinking intoxicating beverages at the time of the said accident. (a) Give the name and address of each of said operators who was drinking or who was intoxicated. (b) State what each of said persons was or had been drinking, where he had obtained same, the quantity or amount consumed and the time and place where same was drunk.
- 8. State, according of your best judgment, the speed of the defendant's motor vehicle at the following points: (a) When you first observed same prior to the accident made the basis of this suit. (b) At a point 300 feet from the place where the impact occurred. (c) At a point 200 feet from the place where the impact occurred. (d) At a point 100 fett from the place where the impact occurred. (e) At a point 50 feet from the place where the impact occurred. (f) At a point 25 feet from the place where the impact occurred. (g) At a point 10 feet from the place where the impact occurred. (h) At the time of impact. (i) Immediately after the impact.
- 9. State in what direction and along what street or highway each of the motor vehicles involved in the accident made the basis of this suit was traveling on the occasion of said accident.

  (a) State in your best judgment, in number of feet, the width of said street or highway. (b) If any of the vehicles involved in

the accident made the basis of this suit was engaged in making a turn from a direct line of travel, describe same, and the course followed with reference to the center of the intersection and with reference to the center line of the street, avenue, or highway on which said motor vehicle had been traveling prior to said turn.

- 10. State fully, specifically and in detail each and every act or thing done by you at the time of the accident made the basis of this suit during the last 300 feet leading to the point of impact, stating in your answer the chronological order in which you did each of said acts or things. (a) Describe each change in the course of travel made by the defendant's motor vehicle immediately prior tosaid accident. (b) Describe each change in the course of travel made by the vehicle driven by you immediately prior to said accident.
- 11. State whether or not the brakes on the vehicle driven by you at the time of said accident were applied prior to the collision.
- (a) If so, state in your best judgment the speed in miles per hour said vehicle was traveling at the moment the brakes were applied.
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- 12. State specifically what portion of the vehicles involved in the accident made the basis of this suit first came in contact with each other. Describe the portions which next came in contact after the initial impact.
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- 14. State the speed of the motor vehicle which you were driving, according to your best judgment, at the following points:

  (a) When you were within a distance of 300 feet from the point of impact in the accident made the basis of this suit. (b) When you were 200 feet from the point of impact. (c) When you were 100 feet from the point of impact. (d) When you were 50 feet from the point of impact. (e) When you were 25 feet from the point of impact. (f) When you were 10 feet from the point of impact. (g) At the time of said impact. (h) When you first observed the other vehicle involved in said accident.
- 15. State whether any horn was sounded or any other signal was given as a warning by the operator of any of the vehicles involved in the accident made the basis of this suit prior to the time of the collision. (a) If any signals for stopping or turning were given by any driver immediately prior to said collision, describe same, and state how far distant from the point of impact each said signal was given. (b) If any signals for passing were

given by any driver immediately prior to said collision, describe same, and state how far distant from the point of impact each said signal was given.

- 16. State whether or not there were any other vehicles at or near the scene of the accident at the time of and immediately prior to the occurrence of same. (a) If so, state the number of such other vehicles and where they were located with reference to the point of the accident at the moment same occurred. (b) State whether or not any of the other vehicles located at or near the scene of the accident played any part, or contributed in any manner, to cause the collision made the basis of this suit. (c) Give the name and address of each driver and owner of each of said vehicles, as fully as you can.
- accident in the presence of the operator of any of the vehicles involved in the collision made the basis of this suit following the occurrence of same? (a) If so, state when, where and what, in substance, was said by you. (b) Did the driver of the defendant's motor vehicle make any statement in your presence concerning the accident following the occurrence of the accident, and, if so, state when, where and what, in substance, was said by said driver. (c) give the name and address of each and every person who was present when any and all of said statements, respectively, were made either by you, or by the driver of the defendant's motor vehicle following the occurrence of the accident made the basis of this suit, and further identify each such person as to what statement was made in his or her presence.

STATE OF ALABAMA )

COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said county in said state, this day personally appeared Wilson Hayes, who is known to me, and who, being by me first duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says that he is one of the attorneys for said plaintiff in the above entitled cause, and as such is authorized to make this affidavit; that the answers of the defendants to the foregoing interrogatories, when well and truly made and filed, will be material testimony for said plaintiff on the trial of this cause.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 2/2 day of Man / 1968

Notary Public

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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GEORGE B. CLARKE,	)	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
Plaintiff,	)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
vs.	)	AT LAW
VERNON M. SPEARS and	)	
DOXOL GAS, INC., a corporation,	)	
Defendants.	)	CASE NO. 7936

### INTERROGATORIES TO THE PLAINTIFF

Comes now each of the following defendants, separately and severally, Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc., a corporation, and, desiring the testimony of the plaintiff, propound to the plaintiff the following interrogatories, as is provided under Section 477, et seq., of Title 7 of the CODE OF ALABAMA of 1940, to-wit:

- 1. State your correct name, age, residence address and business address.
- 2. Describe completely and in detail the vehicle driven by you on the occasion of the accident made the basis of this suit, stating in your answer the make, year, model and body style of the same. (a) State the name and address of the owner of said motor vehicle on the date of said accident. (b) State by whom said motor vehicle had been purchased prior to said accident, and give the date of the purchase. (c) How much was paid for said motor vehicle at the time of said purchase? (d) Give the name and address of any other person who had any interest of any nature whatsoever in said motor vehicle at the time of said accident and describe that interest.

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- 15. State whether any horn was sounded or any other signal was given as a warning by the operator of any of the vehicles involved in the accident made the basis of this suit prior to the time of the collision. (a) If any signals for stopping or turning were given by any driver immediately prior to said collision, describe same, and state how far distant from the point of impact each said signal was given. (b) If any signals for passing were given by any driver immediately prior to said collision, describe same, and state how far distant from the point of impact each said signal was given.

- at or near the scene of the accident at the time of and immediately prior to the occurrence of same. (a) If so, state the number of such other vehicles and where they were located with reference to the point of the accident at the moment same occurred. (b) State whether or not any of the other vehicles located at or near the scene of the accident played any part, or contributed in any manner, to cause the collision made the basis of this suit. (c) Give the name and address of each driver and owner of each of said vehicles, as fully as you can.
- 17. Did you make any statement or statements concerning said accident in the presence of the operator of any of the vehicles involved in the collision made the basis of this suit following the occurrence of same? (a) If so, state when, where and what, in substance, was said by you. (b) Did the driver of the defendant's motor vehicle make any statement in your presence concerning the accident following the occurrence of the accident, and, if so, state when, where and what, in substance, was said by said driver. (c) Give the name and address of each and every person who was present when any and all of said statements, respectively, were made either by you, or by the driver of the defendant's motor vehicle following the occurrence of the accident made the basis of this suit, and further identify each such person as to what statement was made in his or her presence.

Paul W. Brock

W. Ramsey McKinney

Attorney's for Defendants

OF COUNSEL:

HAND, ARENDALL, BEDSOLE, GREAVES & JOHNSTON

STATE OF ALABAMA:

COUNTY OF MOBILE:

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said county in said state, this day personally appeared W. Ramsey McKinney, who is known to me, and who, being by me first duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says that he is one of the attorneys for said specified defendants in the above entitled cause, and as such is authorized to make this affidavit; that the answers of the plaintiff to the foregoing interrogatories, when well and truly made and filed, will be material testimony for said defendant on the trial of this cause.

W. Ramsey McKinney

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 28 day of linear 1968.

NOTARY PUBLIC, MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing interrogatories on Hayes and Boggs, Attorneys for Plaintiff, by depositing same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to said attorneys at their office in Spanish Fort, Alabama, on this, the

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STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc., a Corporation to appear within thirty days from the service of this writ in the Circuit Court to be held for said County at the place of holding same, then and there to answer the complaint of George B. Clarke.

Witness my hand this the Andday of

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GEORGE B. CLARKE

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VS

VERNON M. SPEARS and DOXOL GAS, INC., a Corporation

DEFENDANTS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

AT LAW

NUMBER: 2936

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The Plaintiff claims of the Defendants the sum of ONE-THOUSAND and NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS, for that on to-wit, the 8th day of January 1967 at a point on U.S. Highway 98 five and three-tenths miles North of Fairhope, Alabama and 1524 feet West of Bell System Power Pole #68V, Defendants so negligently operated a motor vehicle as to cause or allow the same to collide with Plaintiff's automobile as a proximate result thereof Plaintiff's automobile was bent, broken and damaged, hence this suit.

Attorney for Plaintiff

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GEORGE B. CLARKE, : IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

Plaintiff, : BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

v. : AT LAW

VERNON M. SPEARS and :

DOXOL GAS, INC.,

a corporation,

Defendants. : CASE NO. 7936

## ANSWER

Comes now each of the defendants, separately and severally, and for answer to the plaintiff's complaint, and to each and every count thereof, separately and severally, sets down and assigns the following separate and several pleas, separately and severally:

Ι

That the material allegations are untrue.

II

Not guilty.

III

The defendants say that at the time and place complained of, the plaintiff was himself guilty of negligence which proximately contributed to the alleged damage to his motor vehicle in that at said time and said place he so negligently operated his said motor vehicle as to cause or allow the same to collide with the motor vehicle operated by Vernon M. Spears, wherefore, the plaintiff ought not to recover.

ΙV

The defendants claim of the plaintiff, in recoupment, the sum of ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS,

as damages, for that on, to-wit, the 8th day of January, 1967, at a point on U. S. Highway 98, approximately 3/10ths of a mile north of Fairhope, Alabama, which is a public highway in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, the plaintiff so negligently operated a motor vehicle as to cause or allow said motor vehicle to collide with a motor vehicle, the property of the defendant Doxol Gas, Inc., which was being operated by the defendant Vernon M. Spears at said time and at said place, and as a direct and proximate result and consequence of the aforesaid negligence on the part of the plaintiff, said motor vehicle operated by the defendant Vernon M. Spears was bent, broken and damaged and the use thereof was lost for a considerable period of time.

Paul W. Brock

W. Ramsey McKinney

Attorneys for Defendants

First National Bank Building Mobile, Alabama

Of Counsel:

HAND, ARENDALL, BEDSOLE, GREAVES & JOHNSTON

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answer on Hayes and Boggs, attorneys for plaintiff, by depositing same in the United States mail addressed to said attorneys at their office in Spanish Fort, Alabama, on this, the day of the day of

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Plaintiff,	)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
vs.	)	AT LAW
VERNON M. SPEARS and	)	
DOXOL GAS, INC., a corporation,	)	
Defendants.	)	CASE NO. 7936

## DEFENDANTS' AMENDMENT TO ANSWER

Comes now each of the defendants, separately and severally, and amends Plea IV of their answer to the plaintiff's complaint previously filed herein, so that the same shall now read as follows:

IV

The defendants claim of the plaintiff, in recoupment, the sum of ONE THOUSAND and No/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS, as damages, for that on, to-wit, the 8th day of January, 1967, at a point on U. S. Highway 98, approximately five and 3/10ths miles north of Fairhope, Alabama, which is a public highway in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, the plaintiff so negligently operated a motor vehicle as to cause or allow said motor vehicle to collide with a motor vehicle, the property of the defendant Doxol Gas, Inc., which was being operated by the defendant Vernon M. Spears at said time and at said place, and as a direct and proximate result and consequence of the aforesaid negligence on the part of the plaintiff, said motor vehicle operated by the defendant Vernon M. Spears was

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Attorneys for Defendants
First National Bank Building

Mobile, Alabama

OF COUNSEL:

HAND, ARENDALL, BEDSOLE, GREAVES & JOHNSTON

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Amended Answer on Hayes and Boggs, Attorneys for Plaintiff, by depositing same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to said attorneys at their office in Spanish Fort, Alabama, on this, the day of February, 1968.

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A CORPORATION

DEFENDANTS

CASE NO. 7936

COMES NOW THE PLAINTIFF IN THE ABOVE STYLED CAUSE AND FOR REPLICATION TO DEFENDANT'S PLEA IN RECOUPMENT, SAYS AS FOLLOWS:

THE PLAINTIFF SAYS:

NOT GUILTY.

BY WILSON HAYES

HAYES AND BOGGS, ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANTS

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I do hereby certify that I have on this 9 day of Julianish. . If no ved a crey of the foregoing pleading on counsel for all politics to this proceeding by maining the same by United States Mail, properly addressed, with first class postage prepaid.

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Plaintiff, : BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

vs. : AT LAW

VERNON M. SPEARS and

DOXOL GAS, INC., a

corporation,

Defendants. : CASE NO. 7936

#### WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION

Comes now each of the defendants, Vernon M. Spears and Doxol Gas, Inc., separately and severally, and withdraws the "Motion to Require Answers to Interrogatories" heretofore filed herein.

Paul W. Brock

W. Ramsey McKinney

Attorneys for Defendants

OF COUNSEL:

HAND, ARENDALL, BEDSOLE, GREAVES & JOHNSTON

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing to Hayes and Wilkins, Attorneys for Plaintiff, by depositing a copy of same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to said attorneys at their office at Bay Minette, Alabama, on this, the day of August, 1968.

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