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

ANNIE LEE BELL Complainant

VS

VANDY BELL, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~DECEES BY THE COURT~~
~~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 here-
tofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved,
and that the said ANNIE LEE BELL
is forever divorced from the said

VANDY BELL

for and on account of Cruelty.

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

It is further ordered that Vandy Bell
the Respondent pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 30th day of August, 1944.

[Signature]
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

ANNIE LEE BELL

vs. Complainant.

VANDY BELL

Respondent.

DIVORCE DECREE

Annie Lee Bell.

VS.

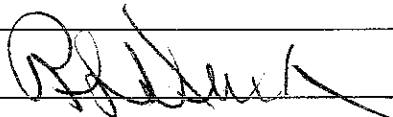
Vandy Bell.

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,
and Testiomony of Annie Lee Bell. And Dr Godard.

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and waiver.

 Register.

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA; IN EQUITY.

Comes ANNIE LEE BELL and by this her Bill of Complaint presented against VANDY BELL, Respectfully shows:-

FIRST: That the Complainant is over the age of eighteen years and the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years; that both are now living in,, and have been all of their lives, bona fide residents of Baldwin County.

SECOND: That Complainant and Defendant were married in Fairhope, Alabama, on June 28th, 1942; and lived together as husband and wife up to about August 14th, 1944.

THIRD: That Defendant has struck and abused Complainant inflicting injuries dangerous to her health and from his conduct and his actions of August 14th, 1944, he struck your Complainant so violently that her face was cut and eight stitches necessitated around her eye, She has reason to believe that to continue to live with him as her husband will endanger her health and possibly her life.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that Vandy Bell be made party Defendant to this cause, and by proper process required to answer this Bill of Complaint within the time required by Law.

Complainant further prays that upon the hearing of this cause a decree be rendered forever divorcing her from said Vandy Bell, granting her the right to marry again should she so desire, and to have such other, further or different relief as to equity may seem meet.


Solicitor for Complainant

ANNIE LEE BELL
Complainant

VS

VANDY BELL
Respondent

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

Comes VANDY BELL, Respondent in the above styled cause,
and for answer to the Bill of Complaint says he denies each and
every 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. He 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.

Vandy Bell

Respondent.

Before me the undersigned Notary personally appeared
VANDY BELL who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing
answer voluntarily with knowledge of its contents.

Witness my hand and official seal this the
Twenty-sixth Day of August, Nineteen Hundred Forty-four.

Mabel K. Dixon

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

ANNIE LEE BELL,
Complainant,

E Q U I T Y.

vs

CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

VANDY BELL,
Respondent.

DEPOSITIONS OF ANNIE LEE BELL and C. G. GODARD, WITNESSES
FOR COMPLAINANT.

ANNIE LEE BELL

I am the Complainant in this cause, I am Eighteen years of age and my husband, VANDY BELL is over the age of Twenty-one years. We are both life-long residents of Baldwin County. We were married in Fairhope on June 28, 1942, and lived together as husband and wife up to the middle of August, 1944. We had had some quarrels and he had struck and abused me on several occasions before that, and on August 14th last, he attacked me without cause at the place where I worked near Dr. C. G. Godard, and struck me so violently in the head that my face was so cut by the glasses I wore that Dr. Godard had to use eight stitches and five clamps to sew up the wound. From his conduct and treatment, I am afraid to continue to live with him, so left him right after this and lived apart from him ever since. We have no children and I am asking nothing of him but my freedom.

Annie Lee Bell

C. G. GODARD

I am a physician and surgeon residing in Fairhope and know ANNIE LEE BELL the complainant in this case. She works not far from my office. On August 14th, at a rather early hour, she came to my office bleeding profusely from a wound on the side of her face near her eye, obviously caused by broken glass. She told me that her husband had struck her violently, breaking her glasses and cutting her face in this manner. The wound was in a dangerous place so close to the eye, and I was compelled to use eight stitches in sewing it up, and in addition to put on a number of clamps to hold the wound closed. I know nothing of my own knowledge of the cause of the trouble, but do know that she was seriously hurt.

Claude G. Godard, M.D.

I, G. E. Perkins, acting as commissioner by agreement of parties hereby certify that in the case of ANNIE LEE BELL vs VANDY BELL pending in the Equity side of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, I caused ANNIE LEE BELL and CLAUDE G. GODARD, witnesses for the Complainant, to appear before me at my office in the Town of Fairhope, where, after being duly sworn upon examination by the solicitor for the Complainant, they testified as is above written, and their testimony, after being reduced to writing, was read over and signed by them.

I further certify that I am neither of counsel nor of kin to either party to the cause or in anywise interested in the result thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal as commissioner this the 28th day of August, 1944.

G. E. Perkins
Commissioner.

TO BE FILED IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

ANNE LEE BELL
Complainant
vs
VANDY BELL
Respondent

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ANNE LEE BELL,
Complainant,

vs

VANDY BELL,
Respondent.

ANSWER & WAIVER.

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Vandy Bell

Comes VANDY BELL, Respondent in the above styled cause,
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every allegation of same.
Respondent hereby gives notice of demand for examination
of Complainant's witnesses; of the failure of Complainant to take
testimony, and of the failure of Complainant to produce witnesses
to introduce evidence in his own behalf. He further says that
cause may be submitted for final decree at any time on the pleading
and Complainant's absence as noted by the Register.

Before me the undersigned Notary personally appeared
VANDY BELL who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing
answer voluntarily with knowledge of its contents.

Witness my hand and official seal this
Twenty-sixth day of August, Nineteen Hundred Forty-four.

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

TO THE HONORABLE J. W. HARRIS, JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

OF BARTON COUNTY, MISSOURI, IN PETITION.

James A. Harris, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Harris, Defendant.

Sheweth that the said Plaintiff and Defendant were married

in the County of Barton, Missouri, on the 15th day of August, 1884.

That the said Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years

and is now living in the County of Barton, Missouri.

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Solicitor for Plaintiff

No. 1186, _____

The State of Alabama,
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

Annie Lee Bell.

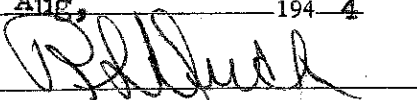
VS.

Vandy Bell.

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 29th _____

day of Aug, 194 4 _____



Register.