

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,


Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NO. 173.

REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE BY  
REGISTERED MAIL.

I, Robert S. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, do hereby certify that I did on the 25th day of October, 1935, mail a copy of the Bill of Complaint in the said cause, together with a summons to answer the said Bill of Complaint within thirty days from the service thereof, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" and return receipt demanded addressed to me as Register of this Court, to the following named Respondents at the following addresses: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; May Currie, Alco, Louisiana; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida; Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi.

I further certify that the return receipts for the above described registered articles mailed in said cause, were received by me as follows: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey, November 4, 1935; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas, October 30th, 1935; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, October 28th, 1935; Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Oct. 28, 1935; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, November 1st, 1935; May Currie, Alco, Louisiana; October 28, 1935; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida, December 16, 1935; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida, November 1, 1935; Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi, November 4, 1935.



Register.

Ramsey, now deceased, namely: May Currie, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, also known as Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Letitia Ramsey, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each.

This property cannot be equitably divided among the joint owners thereof without a sale of the property and a division of the proceeds therefrom because all of the property is not of the same kind and character. Some of the property fronts on the river and some of the property that does front on the river is of better character than other parts of the property that front on the river, and the remainder of the property is so situated, some of it being better timbered than other parts of it, that it would be impossible to work out any kind of a division thereof that would be fair to the joint owners of it. Some of the property was in cultivation at one time but the improvements are now gone from this property and there is little if any timber on the part of the property that was at one time cultivated.

All of the taxes on the property described in this deposition have been paid by me with my own money, commencing with the year 1917 down to date, and during this period of time none of the Respondents or Defendants in this suit have paid me the amounts due by them for taxes or the interest thereon. The 1917 taxes were paid by me on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart on to-wit, February 12, 1918, amounting to \$18.29, for which Collector's Receipt Number 6296 was issued to me, which receipt is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "1".

The 1918 taxes were not paid but the property was sold, and redeemed by me with my own funds on or about September 25, 1919, The usual Certificate of Redemption was issued to me but it has been burned or misplaced, consequently cannot be produced by me. The amount paid by me on this date was \$23.62.

The 1919 taxes amounting to \$17.55 were paid by me on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart on December 28, 1919, for which Collector's Receipt Number 4966 was issued to me. This receipt is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "2".

The 1920 taxes were paid by me on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart on December 20, 1920, at which time I paid the sum of \$20.98 for these taxes. The usual receipt was issued to me but this receipt has been burned or misplaced and cannot be produced by me.

The 1921 taxes were paid by me on an assessment in the name of R. L. Stewart on December 30, 1921, at which time I paid therefor the sum of \$20.72. The usual Collector's Receipt was delivered to me at the time I made this payment but this receipt has been burned or misplaced and cannot be produced by me.

The 1922 taxes amounting to \$34.34 were paid by me on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart on March 23, 1923, at which time Collector's Receipt Number 6861 was issued to me. This receipt is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "3".

The 1923 taxes were paid by me on March 15, 1924 on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart. The amount paid at this time was \$33.62 for which Collector's Receipt Number 7211 was issued to me, which receipt is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "4".

The 1924 taxes were paid by me on December 31, 1924 on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart. The amount of these taxes was \$24.37, for which the usual Collector's Receipt was issued to me but this Receipt was burned or misplaced and cannot be produced by me.

The 1925 taxes were paid by me on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart, on December 30, 1925, the amount of these taxes being \$32.97. The usual collector's receipt was issued to me for this payment but was burned or misplaced and cannot be produced by me at this time.

The 1926 taxes were paid by me on February 19, 1927, on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart, at which time I paid the sum of \$33.80 for which was issued to me Collector's Receipt Number 6962 which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "5".

The 1927 taxes were paid by me on February 25, 1928, on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart, at which time I paid the sum of \$33.89, for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 7418 which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "6".

The 1928 taxes were paid by me on December 30, 1928, at which time I paid the sum of \$33.47. At that time Collector's Receipt Number 7925 was issued to me but this receipt has been burned, lost or destroyed and cannot be produced by me at this time.

I paid the 1929 taxes on February 5, 1930, amounting to \$37.57 on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart, for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 6879, which receipt is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "7".

The 1930 taxes on part of this property were not paid before they became delinquent and the property as sold but was redeemed by me on August 29, 1934 for the sum of \$63.88, for which was issued Certificate of Redemption Number 9773, which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "8".

The 1931 taxes were paid by me on May 11, 1932, on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart, which taxes amounted to \$37.63, for which was issued Complainant's Receipt Number 7856, which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "9".

The 1932 taxes were paid by me on May 4, 1933, on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart amounting to \$37.73, for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 6365 which receipt is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "10".

The 1933 taxes on the property were paid by me on August 28, 1934, on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart amounting to \$39.25, for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 7412, which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "11".

The 1934 taxes were paid by me on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart on December 19, 1934, amounting to \$36.83 for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 3037 which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "12".

The 1935 taxes on the property were not paid before they became delinquent but the property was not sold but these taxes were included in the 1936 assessment, which taxes were paid on May 12, 1937 amounting to \$77.20, for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 8277 which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "13". This payment was on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart.

The 1937 taxes were not paid before they became delinquent and the property sold in 1938 for delinquent taxes for this year. I redeemed the property from this tax sale on January 3, 1939, and paid therefor the sum of \$45.77, at which time was issued to me Certificate of Redemption Number 46313, which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "14."

The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County } Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity

~~To Any Person of the State of Alabama~~

~~Whomsoever~~  
To: Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey:

We hereby summon and notify you

of \_\_\_\_\_ County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a <sup>Amended</sup> Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by

Royal L. Stewart

against said Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey,

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. ~~And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement to the clerk of our said Court immediately upon the execution hereof~~

WITNESS, Robert S. Duck, Register of said Circuit Court, this 25th day

of September 193 6  
R. S. Duck Register

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.



The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County } Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon Jessie Stewart, Henry A. Allison,  
Emmett B. Allison, Mattie Rogers, May Deane, May Currie, Mrs.  
Clie A. Thompson, Willie Willie Hancey and Mack Hancey,

of \_\_\_\_\_ County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court  
of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Sum-  
mons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by

Robert S. Duck,

against said Jessie Stewart, Henry A. Allison, Emmett B. Allison,  
Mattie Rogers, May Deane, May Currie, Mrs. Clie A. Thompson, W  
Willie Willie Hancey, and Mack Hancey,

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said  
Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with  
your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, Robert S. Duck, Register of said Circuit Court, this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of October 193\_\_\_\_\_

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Respondents,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NO.173.

MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO.

Motion is hereby made for a decree pro confesso against the Respondents, Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, on the ground that each of the said Respondents being non-residents of the State of Alabama, a copy of the Bill of Complaint in this cause, together with a summons to answer the Bill of Complaint within thirty days from the service thereof was mailed to each of the said Respondents on to-wit, October 25, 1935, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" with return receipts for the respective articles requested, addressed to the Register of this Court, which said return cards or receipts were received and filed by the said Register, and more than thirty days has expired since the return of the said respective return cards and each of the said Respondents has failed to plead, answer or demur to the said Bill of Complaint in this cause to the date hereof.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1935.

  
Solicitor for Complainant.

February 24, 1939.

R. S. Duck,  
Register in Chancery,  
Bay Minette, Alabama,

In Account with-

ORA S. NELSON

To fee for services as commissioner in case of Royal L. Stewart,  
versus Jeffie Stewart, et als, including one day's attendance..\$7.50

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REGISTER'S REPORT ON REFERENCE.

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

WHEREAS, by a decree of this Court made and entered in the above styled cause on the 2nd day of March, 1939, a reference was ordered, directing the register of this court to ascertain as follows:

1. "The services rendered by J. B. Blackburn, Attorney, for the Complainant in this cause are for the common benefit of all of the joint owners of the said property and the Register of this Court is ordered to hold a reference to ascertain and report what is a reasonable attorney's fee for the services rendered by the said Blackburn in this connection."

2. "The Register is also ordered to hold a reference to ascertain the amount of taxes paid by the Complainant on the property hereinabove described and the amount due him by the other joint owners of the said property for their part of the said taxes, together with interest thereon."

NOW, THEREFORE, I beg leave to report that I have held the said reference, at my office at 10:00 o'clock A. M. on the 27th day of April, 1939, after due and legal notice thereof and in strict compliance with said decree and that I have ascertained as follows:

1. It appears from the testimony of J. B. Blackburn, and W. C. Beebe, both of whom are regularly licensed and practicing solicitors and attorneys of this county and state that the sum of \$360.00 is a reasonable attorney's fee for the services rendered by the said J. B. Blackburn in this cause. I therefore ascertain and

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ORDER.

In this cause, it appearing to the Register that the Complainant did on this date file in this Court his testimony, which said testimony was taken after due and proper notice to the Respondent, May Currie, and it further appearing to the Register that this cause is now ready for submission and further that Thursday, March 2, 1939 is a day set by the rules of this Court to take submissions in equity cases where the said cases are ready for submission:

IT IS THEREFORE Ordered by the Register that this cause be and the same is hereby set down for hearing at Bay Minette, Alabama on Thursday, March 2, 1939. It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be immediately spread upon the Order Book of the Register of this Court.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1939.

R. S. DUCK, Register

By Walter Thompson  
Deputy Register.

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DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON SERVICE BY REGISTERED MAIL.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register that a copy of the Amended Bill of Complaint in this cause, together with a summons was mailed to each of the following named respondents, all of whom are non-residents of the State of Alabama by the Register of this Court, requiring each of the said Respondents to appear and plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause within thirty days from the service of the said summons by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" with return card or receipt demanded, addressed to the Register of this Court, and that the said return receipts or cards were received by the Register signed by the respective respondents on the following dates: Jeffie Stewart, September 30, 1936; Henry A. Ellison, October 3, 1936; Ernest E. Ellison, October 6, 1936; Hattie Rogers, September 29, 1936; Mary Buckner, October 6, 1936; Mollie Willie Ramsey; November 18, 1936, Enoch Ramsey, October 16, 1936; and Mrs. Ollie Thompson, October 16, 1936; and each of the said Respondents having failed to plead, answer or demur to the said Amended Bill of Complaint in this cause to date hereof, it is now therefore, on motion of the Complainant, ordered and decreed that the said Bill of Complaint in this cause be and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, Mollie Willie Ramsey, Enoch Ramsey and Mrs. Ollie Thompson and each of them, the respondents aforesaid.

Witness my hand this 6th day of February, 1939.

R. S. Duck,  
Register,

By Samuel Thompson  
Deputy Register.

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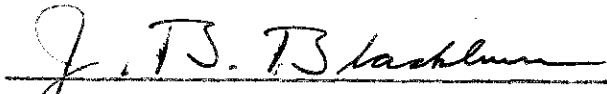
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IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO.

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against the Respondents, Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey on the ground that each of the said Respondents being non-residents of the State of Alabama, a copy of the Amended Bill of Complaint in this cause, together with a summons to answer the said Amended Bill of Complaint within thirty days from the service thereof, was mailed to Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers and Mary Buckner on September 25, 1936; to Mrs. Ollie Thompson and Enoch Ramsey on October 13, 1936, and to Mollie Willie Ramsey on November 9, 1936, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" with return receipts for the respective articles requested, addressed to the Register of this Court, which said return cards or receipts were all received and filed by the said Register and more than thirty days have expired since the return of the respective return cards or receipts and each of the said Respondents has failed to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause to the date hereof.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1939.

  
Solicitor for Complainant.

AMENDED BILL OF COMPLAINT.

TO THE HONORABLE F. S. HARR, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, SITTING IN EQUITY:

Your Orator, Royal L. Stewart, presents this his Amended Bill of Complaint against Jeffrie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Mattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Snock Ramsey, and there-upon your Orator complains and shows unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

1. Your Orator, Royal L. Stewart, is over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Gulfport, Mississippi; the Respondents are each non-residents of the State of Alabama, and are each over twenty-one years of age, their respective residences and post office addresses being as follows: Jeffrie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Mattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; May Currie, Also, Louisiana; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida; Snock Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi.

2. Your Orator and the Respondent, Jeffrie Stewart, each own an undivided one-fourth interest; the heirs of Isabelle Ellison, now deceased, namely: Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Mattie Rogers and Mary Buckner, jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Isabelle Ellison, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each; and the heirs of Letitia Ramsey, now deceased, namely: May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Snock Ramsey, jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Letitia Ramsey, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each, in and to the following described real property in Baldwin County, Alabama:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 59.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish



PRAYER FOR RELIEF.

Your Orator prays that your Honor will order a reference to be held before the Register of this Court to ascertain and determine the amounts due him by each of the said Respondents for taxes and expenses incurred in caring for the said property and the interest due on these items, and further prays that upon a final hearing of this cause your Honor will make and enter such orders and decrees as may be necessary to effectuate a sale of the said property for division among the joint owners thereof and that the amounts due your Orator by the said Respondents for taxes, expenses incurred in caring for the property and interest be made a lien on the respective interests of the said Respondents.

Your Orator further prays that your Honor will fix and allow a reasonable attorney's fee to your Orator's solicitor of record for services rendered in prosecuting this suit and that this fee be made a common charge upon the interests of all parties to this suit.

Your Orator further prays for such other, further and general relief as he may be equitably entitled to the premises considered.

J. T. T. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE: The Respondents and each of them, are required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing Amended Bill of Complaint, numbered 1 to 5 both inclusive, but not under oath, the benefit whereof is hereby expressly waived.

J. T. T. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

The Complainant in this case being a non-resident of the State of Alabama, I hereby acknowledge myself security for costs in this cause.

J. T. T. Blackburn

# THE BALDWIN TIMES

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SUBSCRIPTION \$2.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE  
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4-17-39  
Sold to Royal L. Stewart  
for \$600.00  
Nan Alice Thompson  
Commissioner & Deputy Register

**NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS**

In the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, Number 173, ROYAL L. STEWART, Complainant, vs. JEFFIE STEWART, et al., Respondents.

Under and by virtue of a decree rendered on March 2, 1939, by the Honorable T. W. Hare, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, in the above entitled cause, wherein the undersigned as Commissioner and Deputy Register was ordered to advertise and sell the property hereinafter described.

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, Nan Alice Thompson, as such Commissioner and Deputy Register, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash at public outcry, at the front door of the Court House in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, at the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon, on Monday, April 17th, 1939, the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 2 East, and running thence East 69.92 chains to a point on the Township line thence South 8.50 chains, thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish River, thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel A. Stewart, thence thence North 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 2 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased, which is described in the Chancery Decree Dated October 19, 1934, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N. S., at page 33, Baldwin County Records.

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 1 South Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, which said land is to be sold for the purpose of a division of the proceeds of sale among the several joint owners who are as follows to-wit: Royal L. Stewart, Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Elison, Ernest D. Elison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey.

NAN ALICE THOMPSON, As Commissioner and Deputy Register of said Court.

J. B. BLACKBURN, Attorney. 6-31

BAY MINETTE, ALA.

## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY,

J. H. Faulkner, 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 .....

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was published in said Newspaper for 3 consecutive weeks in the following issues:

Date of first publication	<u>March 9, 1939</u>	Vol. <u>50</u>	No. <u>6</u>
Date of second publication	<u>11 16, 1939</u>	Vol. <u>50</u>	No. <u>7</u>
Date of third publication	<u>11 23, 1939</u>	Vol. <u>50</u>	No. <u>8</u>
Date of fourth publication		Vol. _____	No. _____

Subscribed and sworn before the undersigned this 28 day of

March 1939

G. M. ...  
no ...

J. H. Faulkner  
Publisher

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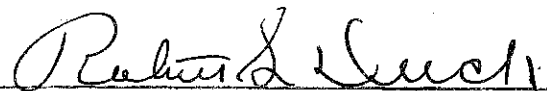
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
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IN EQUITY. NO. 173.

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON SERVICE BY REGISTERED MAIL.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register that a copy of the Bill of Complaint in this cause, together with a summons, was mailed to the Respondent, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, who is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, by the Register of this Court on to-wit, the 3rd day of December, 1935, requiring her to appear and plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause within thirty days from service of said summons, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed", with return card or receipt demanded, addressed to the Register of this Court and that the said return receipt or card was received by the Register signed by the said Respondent, on the 16th day of December, 1935; and the said Respondent having failed to plead, answer or demur to the said Bill of Complaint hereof, it now, therefore, on motion of the Complainant, ordered and decreed that the said Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is, in all things taken as confessed against Mrs. Ollie Thompson, the Respondent aforesaid.

Witness my hand this 20th day of January, 1936.



Register.

Alco. La. October 5th 1936

Parish of Vernon  
State of Louisiana.

TO THE HONORABLE F.W.HARE,  
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF BALDWIN COUNTY, Alabama,  
SITTING IN EQUITY:

Re- ROYAL L. STEWART

Complainant

Vs

JEFFIE STEWART et al,  
Respondents.

In the Circuit Court of  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Personally came before me the undersigned Mrs May Currie nee Ramsey, wife of William L. Currie a resident of Alco, Parish of Vernon, State of Louisiana who on being sworn deposes and says:

That she is the May Currie mentioned as of interest in the above cause and that she makes answer to the various articles of the amended petition as follows.

1. Allegations admitted.
2. Admitted and descriptions accepted as correct as to lands at present time.
3. Denied in so far as your respondent is concerned, taxes have been paid to the plaintiff at divers times up to the year and inclusive of 1932, and also as to the care of the property, it being the information of your respondent that very little or no attention was given the property.
4. Denied: for the reason mentioned in answer to Article 3., that very little or no care was given the property over a long term of years, and also for the reason that credit should be given any claim made for expense for collection of rents and also for sale of part of the property for the purpose of paying debts, this your respondent has been informed was the case and should be borne out by the records of Baldwin County, Ala., it being the purpose at this time for your respondent to admit that some sum in reason should be fixed for the plaintiff subject to the above credits, record of which should be in his possession.
5. No objection will be made by this respondent if your Honorable Court will fix a reasonable fee for counsel in the matter, and the respondent recognizes the justness of this and accepts her part of the amount of fee so fixed by your Honorable Court.

Prayer for Relief

Your respondent prays that as soon as the amount due the plaintiff is accepted by the Court, that your Honor fix a date for the sale of the property to pay the just claims of the plaintiff and that as soon as practicable after that, that the Register the Honorable R.S. Duck be ordered to make distribution of funds remaining after claims are paid.

Mrs May Currie

J. H. Furrall  
Notary Public

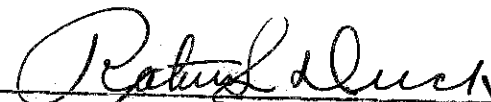
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DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON SERVICE BY REGISTERED MAIL.

In this cause, it being made to appear to the Register that a copy of the Bill of Complaint in this cause, together with a summons, was mailed to each of the following named Respondents, all of whom are non-residents of the State of Alabama, by the Register of this Court on to-wit, October 25, 1935, requiring each of the said Respondents to appear and plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause within thirty days from the service of said summons, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" with return card or receipt demanded addressed to the Register of this Court and that the said return receipts or cards were received by the Register signed by the respective respondents on the following dates: Jeffie Stewart, November 4, 1935; Henry A. Ellison, October 30, 1935; Ernest E. Ellison, October 28, 1935; Hattie Rogers, October 28, 1935; Mary Buckner, November 1, 1935; May Currie, October 28, 1935; Mollie Willie Ramsey, November 1, 1935; and Enoch Ramsey, November 4th, 1935; and each of the said Respondents having failed to plead, answer or demur to the said Bill of Complaint to the date hereof: It is now, therefore, on motion of the Complainant ordered and decreed, that the said Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is, in all things, taken as confessed against the said Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, and each of them, the Respondents aforesaid.

Witness my hand this 30th day of December, 1935.

  
Register.

The 1938 taxes on the property were paid by me on December 31, 1938, on an assessment in the name of John W. Stewart amounting to \$36.83, for which was issued Collector's Receipt Number 5174 which is attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "15".

All of the taxes paid by me referred to in this deposition were paid on the property described above or a part thereof and was all paid from my own funds, and all of the Respondents are indebted to me for three-fourths of the amount of the taxes so paid together with the interest thereon.

Since 1917 I lost my place of business and my residence by fire and some of the missing receipts referred to above were burned in these fires, or misplaced by me. I have made a diligent search for each of these receipts but cannot locate them or any of them.

I have had the interest figured on all of these taxes and have examined the figures and state that they are correct. The total amount of the taxes and the interest thereon to this date are fully shown on and described in the sheet attached to this deposition as Complainant's Exhibit "16", the total amount of principal and interest being \$1206.30. On this date the Respondent, Jeffie Stewart is due me the sum of \$301.59; being one-fourth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Henry A. Ellison, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Ernest E. Ellison, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Hattie Rogers, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Mary Buckner, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, May Currie, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, also known as Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Mollie Willie Ramsey, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

The Respondent, Enoch Ramsey, is due me the sum of \$75.39, being one-sixteenth of the total amount of \$1206.30, which is the principal and interest on all of the taxes paid by me, together with the interest thereon to this date.

All of these sums of money are still due and unpaid by the said Respondents to the Complainant in this suit and these amounts will bear interest from this date at the legal rate.

Before this suit was commenced I endeavored to secure deeds from the joint owners thereof without filing a suit for partition of this property and made each of the joint owners what I considered to be a reasonable offer for their interest in the property. They all refused to sell and it became necessary for me to then employ counsel for the purpose of prosecuting this suit and for the purpose of effecting a partition or division of the said property among the joint owners thereof. In this connection I employed J. B. Blackburn, an attorney at law, who resides and practices at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, and he filed this suit for me and has handled this case for me. The services so rendered by him in this suit are for the joint benefit of all of the joint owners of the property above described.

Royal L. Stewart

ROYAL L. STEWART,  
Complainant,  
VS.  
JEFFIE STEWART, et al,  
Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NO. 173.

REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE BY  
REGISTERED MAIL.

I, Robert S. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, do hereby certify that I did on the 25th day of October, 1935, mail a copy of the Bill of Complaint in the said cause, together with a summons to answer the said Bill of Complaint within thirty days from the service thereof, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" and return receipt demanded addressed to me as Register of this Court, to the following named Respondents at the following addresses: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; May Currie, Alco, Louisiana; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida; Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi.

I further certify that the return receipts for the above described registered articles mailed in said cause, were received by me as follows: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey, November 4, 1935; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas, October 30th, 1935; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, October 28th, 1935; Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Oct. 28, 1935; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, November 1st, 1935; May Currie, Alco, Louisiana; October 28, 1935; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida, December 16, 1935; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida, November 1, 1935; Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi, November 4, 1935.



Register.



ROYAL L. STEWART,

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VS.

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Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE BY REGISTERED MAIL.

I, R. S. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, do hereby certify that I did on the 25th day of September, 1936, mail a copy of the Amended Bill of Complaint in this cause, together with a summons to answer the said Bill of Complaint within thirty days from the service thereof, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed" and return receipt demanded addressed to me as Register of this Court, to the following named Respondents at the following addresses: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi and Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; on October 13, 1936, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Route 2, Box 38, Jacksonville, Florida, and Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi; on November 9, 1936, Mollie Willie Ramsey, C/o Veterans Hospital, Oteen, North Carolina.

I further certify that the return receipts for the above described registered articles mailed in said cause were received and filed by me as follows: Jeffie Stewart, September 30, 1936; Henry A. Ellison, October 3, 1936; Ernest E. Ellison, October 6, 1936; Hattie Rogers, September 29, 1936; Mary Buckner, October 6, 1936; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, October 16, 1936; Mollie Willie Ramsey, November 18, 1936 and Enoch Ramsey, October 16, 1936.

*Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of Feb, 1939.*

*R. S. Duck*

Register.

*By Sandlice Thompson,*  
Deputy

Register Report and  
Returns.

Filed April 27, 1939  
R. S. Dink, Register  
By - Franklin Thompson,  
Deputy Register

MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

Filed on this the 6th day of February, 1939.

*R. S. Buck, Reporter*

*By - Maurice Thompson, Deputy*

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON SERVICE  
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ROYAL L. STEWART,

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ROYAL I. STEWART,  
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DECREE PRO CONFESSO AGAINST  
MRS. OLLIE THOMPSON.

ROYAL L. STEWART, Complainant,  
VS.  
JEFPIE STEWART, et al,  
Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NO. 173.

Dated this 20 day of January,  
1936.

*Robert A. Weeks*  
*Register*



REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE AS  
TO SERVICE BY REGISTERED MAIL.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

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Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NO. 173.

MOTION FOR REFERENCE.

Comes the Complainant in the above entitled cause and moves the Court to give and grant to him an order or decree directed to the Register of this Court directing and ordering him as said Register to hold a reference for the purpose of ascertaining and to ascertain, and make report thereon, the following: First, the amount due Complainant by other tenants in common for and on account of the payment of taxes by Complainant on the property described in the Bill of Complaint; and as set out in said Bill of Complaint; Second, the amount due Complainant on account of solicitor's fee for services of his solicitor for the common benefit of all tenants in common as set out in said Bill of Complaint.


  
Solicitor for Complainant.

Exhibit 2

Exhibit 1

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J. B. BLACKBURN  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

APRIL 28, 1939.

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, and as the Commissioner heretofore appointed by the Court in the case of Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et al, Respondents, in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, Number 173, the sum of Three Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$360.00), being in full and entire settlement of the attorney's fee allowed me in the Court's decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

J. B. Blackburn

Witness:

H. E. Smith

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

NOTICE OF REFERENCE.

TO MAY CURRIE, ALCO, LOUISIANA:

You are hereby notified that under and by virtue of a decree rendered in this cause on the 2nd day of March, 1939, I was ordered to hold a reference in this cause to ascertain and report the amount of taxes and interest thereon due by the various Respondents in this cause, namely: Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, to the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, and to ascertain and report what would be a reasonable attorney's fee for J. B. Blackburn, Solicitor for the Complainant in this cause.

You are further notified that the said reference will be held at my office in the Court House at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, on Wednesday, April 26, 1939, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. at which time you can appear if you think proper so to do.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1939.

R. S. DUCK, Register of the Circuit  
Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in  
Equity,

By Nandice Thompson  
As Deputy Register.

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ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS.

Under and by virtue of a decree rendered on March 2, 1939, by the Honorable F. W. Hare, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, in the above entitled cause, wherein the undersigned as Commissioner and Deputy Register was ordered to advertise and sell the property hereinafter described,

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned Nan Alice Thompson, as such Commissioner and Deputy Register, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, at public outcry, at the front door of the Court House in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, at the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon, on Monday, April 17th, 1939, the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 59.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish River; thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Timney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line; thence North 17.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 3 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased, which is described in the Chancery Decree Dated October 19, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N. S. at page 35, Baldwin County Records;

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 7 South Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama;

which said land is to be sold for the purpose of a division of the proceeds of sale among the several joint owners who are as follows, to-wit: Royal L. Stewart, Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Carrie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Snock Ramsey.

J. B. BLACKBURN,  
Attorney.

NAN ALICE THOMPSON,  
As Commissioner and Deputy Register  
of said Court.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

TO JEFFIE STEWART, HENRY A. ELLISON, ERNEST E. ELLISON, HATTIE ROGERS, MARY BUCKNER, MAY CURRIE, MRS. OLLIE THOMPSON, MOLLIE WILLIE RAMSEY AND ENOCH RAMSEY;

Please to take notice, that in the foregoing stated cause pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, the Complainant has filed a motion, of which the attached is a copy, which said motion has been entered upon the equity calendar and will be heard on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1936.



Register in Chancery.

ROYAL L. STEWART,  
Complainant,  
VS.  
JEFFIE STEWART, et al,  
Respondents.

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

DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION OF WITNESS.

Now comes the Complainant in the above entitled cause, by his Solicitor of Record, and represents unto the Court as follows:

1. The Complainant requires an oral examination of the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, to be held at Bay Minette, Alabama, on Friday, February 24th, 1939, at 2:30 o'clock P. M.
2. Complainant requires an oral examination of the said witness before a commissioner to be appointed by the Register of this court.
3. Complainant suggests the name of Ora S. Nelson as a suitable and competent person to act as Commissioner upon the examination of the said witness.

*J. B. Blackburn*  
Solicitor for Complainant.



ROYAL L. STEWART,  
Complainant,  
VS.  
JEFFIE STEWART, et al,  
Respondents.

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

TO MAY CURRIE:

You are hereby notified that Royal L. Stewart, the Complainant in the above stated cause, has filed in this Court his Demand for an oral examination of the witness, Royal L. Stewart, and that Ora S. Nelson has been suggested as a suitable person to act as such commissioner. The examination will take place at the office of J. B. Blackburn, Bay Minette, Alabama, on Friday, February, 24th, 1939, at 2:30 o'clock P. M. and continue from day to day until completed.

*R. S. Ditch*

Register in Chancery, Baldwin County,  
Alabama.

*By Handliss Chapman, Deputy -*

*J. T. S. Blackburn*

Solicitor for Complainant.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NO. \_\_\_\_.

TO MAY CURRIE:

Take notice that a commission was issued to me on the 8th day of February, 1939, to take the testimony of Royal L. Stewart a witness for the Complainant in said cause, and that I will proceed to take the testimony of the said witness at the office of J. B. Blackburn, Bay Minette, Alabama, on Friday, February 24, 1939, at 2:30 o'clock P. M. and continue from day to day thereafter until completed.

Dated at Bay Minette, Alabama, on this the 8th day of February, 1939.



Commissioner.

NOTICE OF REFERENCE.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION OF  
WITNESS AND NOTICE TO MAY  
CURRIE BY REGISTER AND BY  
COMMISSIONER.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

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

*Filed February 8, 1939*  
*A.S. Beck, Register*  
*By Wendell Thompson, Equity*

*Duck*  
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Copy to  
Robert S. Duck Register  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County.  
Bay Minette. Ala.

Alco. La. January 10th 1936

Hon. F.W.Hare, Judge of the Circuit Court  
of Baldwin County. Ala.  
Bay Minette. Ala.

Your Honor:

The writer Mrs May Currie, now residing at Alco, Vernon Parish, State of Louisiana, and is at interest as an heir in certain property located in Baldwin County Ala, and further described as

Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running then East 69.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish River with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Tinney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line, thence North 27.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 130 acres more or less, all in Township 7 South range 3 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased which is described in the chancery decree dated October 19th 1903, and recorded in deed book N.9 N.S. at page 33, Baldwin County records.

The writer May Currie does answer the allegations of the petition as follows.

1. Admitted
2. Admitted
3. Denied- For the reason that the writer May Currie has paid all of the taxes that has been asked for for a great number of years and does hold receipts showing these payments, and is not indebted to the petitioner in any sum for taxes or care for looking after her interests in the estate.
4. Denied for the reason that no one has looked after the property with the exception of the payment of taxes and no one at interest has been on the property for years with the exception of a representative of the writer who looked over the property recently.
5. The writer should not be charged with counsel fees except such as are in accord with the laws of the State of Ala.

Your protestant does not object to the property being sold by your Honorable Court and does agree that the matter should be settled by the sale of the property, but does protest that she should have full notice of sale and the date thereof and the amount claimed by your petitioner as set forth by Copy served this writer.

All we ask is that your Honor advise the Register to notify this writer and party at interest of the date of said sale so that she might protect her interest.

The writer thanks you in advance for attention to the above.

Yours very

Very truly

*May Currie*

TO MAY CURRIE, ALCO, LOUISIANA:

You are hereby notified that the Commissioner's Report, a copy of which is hereto attached, was filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, on April 17, 1939.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1939.

R. S. DUCK, Register of the Circuit  
Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
As Deputy Register.





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ORDER.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

Deputy Registrar  
R. E. DUCK, Registrar

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY.

NUMBER 175

Dated this 23rd day of February 1939.

Registrar of this Court.

of this Order be immediately spread upon the Order Book of the same on Thursday, March 2, 1939. It is further ordered that a copy

be and the same is hereby set down for hearing at Bay Minette, Ala-

IT IS THEREFORE ordered by the Registrar that this cause

in equity cases where the said cases are ready for submission:

2, 1939 is a day set by the rules of this Court to take submissions

cause is now ready for submission and further that Thursday, March

and, May Currie, and is further appearing to the Registrar that this

said testimony was taken after due and proper notice to the Respond-

Complainant did on this date file in this Court his testimony, which

In this cause, it appearing to the Registrar that the

ORDER.

Respondents.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

VS.

Complainant,

ROYAL L. STEWART,

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

The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To ORA S. NELSON:

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 ROYAL L. STEWART

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

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant

and JEFFIE STEWART, ET AL. ,

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon him to take and certify the deposition... of the witness.... and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 8th day of February 19 39

R. S. DUCK

clerk, register

REGISTER

By [Signature] Deputy

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS' FEES, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NO \_\_\_\_\_

The State of Alabama  
BALDWIN COUNTY  
CIRCUIT COURT

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

Complainant

vs.

JEFFIE STEWART, ET AL.,

Respondents.

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

ORA S. NELSON

COMMISSIONER:

WITNESSES:

ROYAL L. STEWART.

# CHANCERY EXECUTION

## BILL OF COSTS

No. 173

*Royal L. Stewart*

vs. *Jessie Stewart*

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANT

FEES OF REGISTER	Dollars	Cents	Brought Forward	\$	Cts
Filing each bill and other papers	\$	10			
Issuing each subpoena	50	1000			
Issuing each copy thereof	40	800			
Entering each return thereof	15				
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Each order appointing guardian	1 00				
Any other order by Register	50	50			
Issuing Commission to take testimony	50				
Receiving and filing	10				
Endorsing each package	10				
Entering order submitting cause	50	50			
Entering any other order of court	25	50			
Noting all testimony	50	50			
Abstract of cause, etc.	1 00				
Entering each decree	75	100			
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Taking account, etc.	3 00				
Taking testimony, etc.	15				
Each report, 500 words or less	2 50	250			
For every 100 words over 500	15				
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc.	2 00				
Issuing each subpoena	25				
Witness certificate, each	25				
Issuing execution, each	75				
Entering each return	15				
Taking and approving bond, each	1 00				
Making copy of bill, etc.	15	500			
Each notice not otherwise provided for	50				
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal	50	300			
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal	25				
Hearing and passing on application, etc.	3 00				
Each settlement with Receiver, etc.	3 00				
Examining each voucher of Receiver, etc.	10				
Examining each answer, etc.	3 00				
Recording resignation, etc.	75				
Entering each certificate to Supreme Court	50				
Taking questions and answers, etc.	25				
For all other ser relating to such proceedings	1 00				
For services in proceeding to relieve minors, etc., same fee as in similar cases.	3500				
Commission on sales, etc: 1st \$100, 2 per cent; all over \$100 and not exceeding \$1,000. 1-2 per cent; all over \$1,000, and not exceeding \$20,000, 1 per ct; all over 20,000, 1-4 of 1 per cent		3500			
<b>Sub Total Carried Forward</b>		<b>7550</b>			
			Brought Forward	975	50
			For Receiving, keeping and paying out or distributing money, etc.: 1st \$1,000, 1%, all over \$1,000, and not over \$5,000, 3-4 of 1%; all over \$5,000 and not exceeding \$10,000, 1-2 of 1%, all over \$10,000 1-4 of 1%.		
			Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into court, etc., 1-2 of 1% of amount received.		
			Each notice sent by mail to creditor	15	
			Filing receipting for and docketing each claim, etc.	25	
			For all entries on subpoena docket, etc.	50	
			For all entries on commission docket, etc.	50	
			Making final record. per 100 words	15	
			Certified copy of decree	1 00	
			Report of divorce to State Health Office (Acts 1915)	50	
			<b>TOTAL FEES OF REGISTER</b>		
			<b>FEES OF SHERIFF</b>	90	50
			Serving and returning subpoena on deft.	\$	50
			Serving and returning subpoena for witness	65	
			Levying attachment	3 00	
			Entering and returning same	25	
			Selling property attached		
			Impanelling Jury	75	
			Executing Writ of possession	2 50	
			Collecting execution for costs	1 50	
			Serving and returning sci. fa., each	65	
			Serving and returning notice	65	
			Serving and returning writ of injunction	1 50	
			Serving and returning writ of exeat	1 50	
			Taking and approving bonds, each	75	
			Collecting money on execution		
			Making Deed	2 50	
			Serving and returning application, etc.	1 00	
			Serving attachment, contempt of court	1 50	
			<b>TOTAL FEES OF SHERIFF</b>		
			<b>RECAPITULATION</b>	90	50
			Register's Fees		
			Sheriff's Fees		
			Commissioner's Fees		
			Solicitor's Fees		
			Witness Fees		
			Guardian Ad Litem		
			Printer's Fees		
			Trial Tax	3 00	
			Recording Decree in Probate Court		
			<b>TOTAL</b>	93	50

**The State of Alabama,**  
Baldwin County

No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Circuit Court, In Equity \_\_\_\_\_ Term, 193\_\_

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:  
You are hereby commanded, That of the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Defendant  
you cause to be made the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars,  
which \_\_\_\_\_ Plaintiff  
recovered of \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_  
by the judgment of our Circuit Court, held for the county of Baldwin, besides the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars,

costs of suit, and have the same to render to the said \_\_\_\_\_  
and make return of this Writ and the execution thereof, according to law.

Interest from \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_ to date of collection.  
Witness my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_

Register

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

TO JEFFIE STEWART, HENRY A. ELLISON, ERNEST E. ELLISON, HATTIE ROGERS, MARY BUCKNER, MAY CURRIE, MRS. OLLIE THOMPSON, MOLLIE WILLIE RAMSEY AND ENOCH RAMSEY;

Please to take notice, that in the foregoing stated cause pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, the Complainant has filed a motion, of which the attached is a copy, which said motion has been entered upon the equity calendar and will be heard on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1935.

*R. S. Duck*

Register in Chancery.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JERVIS STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

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

MOTION FOR REFERENCE.

Comes the Complainant in the above entitled cause and moves the Court to give and grant to him an order or decree directed to the Register of this Court directing and ordering him as said Register to hold a reference for the purpose of ascertaining and to ascertain, and make report thereon, the following: First, the amount due Complainant by other tenants in common for and on account of the payment of taxes by Complainant on the property described in the Bill of Complaint; and as set out in said Bill of Complaint; Second, the amount due Complainant on account of solicitor's fee for services of his solicitor for the common benefit of all tenants in common as set out in said Bill of Complaint.

J. T. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

TESTIMONY OF W. C. BEEBE

My name is W. C. Beebe. I am an attorney at law practicing at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, and am familiar with the various charges for attorneys' fees that are made by attorneys in Baldwin County, Alabama.

I have examined the equity file Number 173 in the case in which Royal L. Stewart is complainant and Jeffie Stewart, et al, are Respondents, and know what is a reasonable attorney's fee for handling a case of this kind, and state that \$360.00 is a reasonable attorney's fee to be allowed the Complainant's solicitor in this case.

Dated this 27th day of April, 1939.

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TESTIMONY OF J. B. BLACKBURN.

My name is J. B. Blackburn. I am an attorney at law practicing at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, and am the solicitor for the Complainant in the case of Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et al, Respondents, being case Number 173 in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity. I am familiar with the charges that are made by attorneys in Baldwin County, Alabama, for services rendered by them and state that \$360.00 is a reasonable attorney's fee for representing the Complainant in this case.

*Dated 4-27-1939.*

*J. B. Blackburn*

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ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER.

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

1. That under and by virtue of the authority conferred upon me by a decree of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, in the above entitled cause rendered on the 2nd day of March, 1939, I did on <sup>Monday</sup> the 17th day of April, 1939, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Court House in Baldwin County, Alabama, at Bay Minette, Alabama, the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 69.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish River; thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Timney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line; thence North 17.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 3 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased, which is described in the Chancery Decree dated October 19, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N. S. at page 33, Baldwin County Records.

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 7 South Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama.

That at the said sale Royal L. Stewart, the Complainant, became the purchaser of the said property at and for the sum of Thirty-six Hundred Dollars (\$3600.00) cash, that being the highest, best and last bid therefor.

2. I further report that in obedience to the said decree I had a complete abstract of title to the said property prepared by a competent abstractor which was on file for delivery to any prospective purchaser for more than five days prior to the said sale, and that I, in further obedience to said decree, gave notice of the time, place

and terms of the said sale, together with a description of the property to be sold by advertisement once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, the said notice appearing in the issues of said paper of March 9, 1939, March 16, 1939 and March 23, 1939.

3. The said sale was made in strict accordance with the terms of the said Decree, was in all respects fairly conducted and the said property sold for an amount not greatly less than its real value, and the purchaser has fully complied with the terms of the said sale and has paid to me as Commissioner in the said cause, the full amount of the purchase money in cash, to-wit, Thirty-six Hundred Dollars (\$3600.00), all of which is reported to this Court as required by the said Decree.

*Harbison Thompson*

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As Commissioner and Deputy Register.

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

Your Orator, Royal L. Stewart, presents this his Bill of Complaint against Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, and thereupon your Orator complains and shows unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

1. Your Orator, Royal L. Stewart, is over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Gulfport, Mississippi; the Respondents are each non-residents of the State of Alabama, and are each over twenty-one years of age, their respective residences and post office addresses being as follows: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; May Currie, Alco, Louisiana; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida; Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi.

2. Your Orator and the Respondent, Jeffie Stewart, each own an undivided one-fourth interest; the heirs of Isabelle Ellison, now deceased, namely: Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers and Mary Buckner, jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Isabelle Ellison, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each; and the heirs of Letitia Ramsey, now deceased, namely: May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Letitia Ramsey, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each, in and to the following described real property in Baldwin County, Alabama; to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 69.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish

River; thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Timney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line; thence North 17.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 3 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased which is described in the Chancery Decree dated October 19, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N. S. at page 33, Baldwin County Records.

Which said property cannot be equitably divided among the joint owners thereof without a sale thereof and a division of the proceeds therefrom.

3. Your Orator has paid all taxes on the said property for a number of years and the said Respondents are each and all justly indebted to him in a large sum for their respective shares of the taxes which he has paid on the said property, together with interest thereon.

4. Your Orator has had the entire care of the said property for a number of years and the said Respondents are each and all justly indebted to him for their respective shares of the expense occasioned by him in looking after and caring for the interests of all of the joint owners in and to the said property, together with interest thereon.

5. Your Orator has been compelled to employ counsel for the purpose of prosecuting this suit for the purpose of effecting a partition or division of the said property among the joint owners thereof.

#### PRAYER FOR PROCESS.

Your Orator prays that the said Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey be made parties respondent to this Bill of Complaint and that the usual process of this honorable Court do forthwith issue to them and each of them.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF.

Your Orator prays that your Honor will order a reference to be held before the Register of this Court to ascertain and determine the amounts due him by each of the said Respondents for

taxes and expenses incurred in caring for the said property and the interest due on these items, and further prays that upon a final hearing of this cause your Honor will make and enter such orders and decrees as may be necessary to effectuate a sale of the said property for division among the joint owners thereof and that the amounts due to your Orator by the said Respondents for taxes, expenses incurred in caring for the property and interest be made a lien on the respective interests of the said Respondents.

Your Orator further prays that your Honor will fix and allow a reasonable attorney's fee to your Orator's solicitor of record for services rendered in prosecuting this suit and that this fee be made a common charge upon the interests of all parties to this suit.

Your Orator further prays for such other, further and general relief as he may be equitably entitled to the premises considered.

J. B. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE: The Respondents and each of them, are required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing Bill of Complaint, numbered 1 to 5 both inclusive, but not under oath, the benefit whereof is hereby expressly waived.

J. B. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

The Complainant in this case being a non-resident of the State of Alabama, I hereby acknowledge myself security for costs in this cause.

J. B. Blackburn

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

DECREE.

This cause coming on to be heard on this the 2nd day of March, 1939, being a day heretofore set by the rules of this Court for the calling of the Equity Docket and for the submission of causes that are ready for submission, and it appearing to the Court that this cause has heretofore been set for hearing on this date and that it is in all respects ready for submission, and the same being submitted upon the Amended Bill of Complaint, Decrees Pro Confesso against Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, Mollie Willie Ramsey, Enoch Ramsey and Mrs. Ollie Thompson, the Answer of May Currie 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 his Amended Bill of Complaint filed by him in this cause: IT IS THEREFORE Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court as follows:

1. That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart and the Respondents, Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey are joint owners or tenants in common of the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 69.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish River; thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Timney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line; thence North 17.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 3 East, and being the same property

formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased, which is described in the Chancery Decree dated October 19, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N. S. at page 33, Baldwin County Records.

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 7 South Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama;

their respective interests therein being as follows: Royal L. Stewart, one-fourth; Jeffie Stewart, one-fourth; Henry A. Ellison, one-sixteenth; Ernest E. Ellison, one-sixteenth; Hattie Rogers, one-sixteenth; Mary Euckner, one-sixteenth; May Currie, one-sixteenth; Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, one-sixteenth; Mollie Willie Ramsey, one-sixteenth; and Enoch Ramsey, one-sixteenth.

2. The said property cannot be equitably divided among the joint owners thereof without a sale of the said property and a distribution of the proceeds and a sale of the property and a distribution of the proceeds being in the opinion of the Court to the best interest of all of the said parties, the said property is hereby ordered sold for division among them by the Commissioner hereinafter named as soon as possible.

3. Nan Alice Thompson, Deputy Register of this Court, being a fit and proper person to be appointed Commissioner to make the said sale is hereby appointed as such Commissioner and is hereby ordered to proceed and sell ~~the~~ said property at public outcry at the front door of the Court House in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, <sup>on Monday, April 17th, 1939,</sup> within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, after first having given thirty days notice of the time, place and terms of sale, together with a description of the property, by publication in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in said county, once a week for three successive weeks, and that said commissioner make due report as to how she has executed this decree, and she is further ordered to have a complete abstract of title covering the said property prepared and ready for delivery to any prospective purchaser for examination not less than five days prior to the day set for the said sale and to tax the cost thereof as a part of the costs of this proceeding.

4. The services rendered by J. B. Blackburn, Attorney, for the Complainant in this cause are for the common benefit of all of the joint owners of the said property and the Register of this Court is ordered to hold a reference to ascertain and report what is a reasonable attorney's fee for the services rendered by the said Blackburn in this connection.

5. The Register is also ordered to hold a reference to ascertain the amount of taxes paid by the Complainant on the property hereinabove described and the amount due him by the other joint owners of the said property for their part of the said taxes, together with interest thereon.

6. Jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the purpose of making such further orders and decrees as may be requisite and proper in the premises.

Done in open Court at Bay Minette, Alabama, on this the 2nd day of March, 1939.



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Judge.



AMENDED BILL OF COMPLAINT.

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

Your Orator, Royal L. Stewart, presents this his Amended Bill of Complaint against Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, and there upon your Orator complains and shows unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

1. Your Orator, Royal L. Stewart, is over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Gulfport, Mississippi; the Respondents are each non-residents of the State of Alabama, and are each over twenty-one years of age, their respective residences and post office addresses being as follows: Jeffie Stewart, Nutley, New Jersey; Henry A. Ellison, El Paso, Texas; Ernest E. Ellison, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Hattie Rogers, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; Mary Buckner, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; May Currie, Alco, Louisiana; Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida; Mollie Willie Ramsey, c/o United States Veterans Hospital, Lake City, Florida; Enoch Ramsey, Biloxi, Mississippi.

2. Your Orator and the Respondent, Jeffie Stewart, each own an undivided one-fourth interest; the heirs of Isabelle Ellison, now deceased, namely: Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers and Mary Buckner, jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Isabelle Ellison, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each; and the heirs of Letitia Ramsey, now deceased, namely: May Currie, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey, jointly own an undivided one-fourth interest which they inherited from their mother, Letitia Ramsey, or an undivided one-sixteenth interest each, in and to the following described real property in Baldwin County, Alabama; to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 69.92' chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50' chains; thence East 7.50' chains to the West bank of Fish

River; thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Timney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line; thence North 17.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 3 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased which is described in the Chancery Decree dated October 19, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N.S. at page 33, Baldwin County Records.

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 1,  
Township 7 South Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama.

Which said property cannot be equitably divided among the joint owners thereof without a sale thereof and a division of the proceeds therefrom.

3. Your Orator has paid all taxes on the said property for a number of years and the said Respondents are each and all justly indebted to him in a large sum for their respective shares of the taxes which he has paid on the said property, together with interest thereon.

4. Your Orator has had the entire care of the said property for a number of years and the said Respondents are each and all justly indebted to him for their respective shares of the expense occasioned by him in looking after and caring for the interests of all of the joint owners in and to the said property, together with interest thereon.

5. Your Orator has been compelled to employ counsel for the purpose of prosecuting this suit for the purpose of effecting a partition or division of the said property among the joint owners thereof.

#### PRAYER FOR PROCESS.

Your Orator prays that the said Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, May Currie, Mrs. Ollie Thompson, Mollie Willie Ramsey and Enoch Ramsey be made parties respondent to this Amended Bill of Complaint and that the usual process of this honorable Court do forthwith issue to them and each of them.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF.

Your Orator prays that your Honor will order a reference to be held before the Register of this Court to ascertain and determine the amounts due him by each of the said Respondents for taxes and expenses incurred in caring for the said property and the interest due on these items, and further prays that upon a final hearing of this cause your Honor will make and enter such orders and decrees as may be necessary to effectuate a sale of the said property for division among the joint owners thereof and that the amounts due your Orator by the said Respondents for taxes, expenses incurred in caring for the property and interest be made a lien on the respective interests of the said Respondents.

Your Orator further prays that your Honor will fix and allow a reasonable attorney's fee to your Orator's solicitor of record for services rendered in prosecuting this suit and that this fee be made a common charge upon the interests of all parties to this suit.

Your Orator further prays for such other, further and general relief as he may be equitably entitled to the premises considered.

J. T. T. Slack  
Solicitor for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE: The Respondents and each of them, are required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing Amended Bill of Complaint, numbered 1 to 5 both inclusive, but not under oath, the benefit whereof is hereby expressly waived.

J. T. T. Slack  
Solicitor for Complainant.

The Complainant in this case being a non-resident of the State of Alabama, I hereby acknowledge myself security for costs in this cause.

J. T. T. Slack

(original)

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER.

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

*Filed April 17, 1935*  
*R. S. Drost, Reporter*  
*By Wallace Thompson, Deputy*

ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

VS.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER 173.

DECREE.

This cause coming on to be heard on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1939, and being submitted on the report of Nan Alice Thompson as Deputy Register and as Commissioner, and on the Register's Report dated April 27, 1939, and it appearing to the Court that the said Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register, and as Commissioner, did file her report in this cause on the 17th day of April, 1939, reporting that pursuant to a decree made in this cause on the 2nd day of March, 1939, ordering the sale of the property described in the said decree; she gave thirty days notice of the time, place and terms of the said sale, together with a description of the property ordered sold, by publication in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, the said notice appearing in the issues of the said paper of March 9, 1939, March 16, 1939, and March 23, 1939; that she did on Monday, April 17, 1939, between the legal hours of sale offer for sale and sell at public outcry at the front door of the court house in Baldwin County, Alabama, the said property so ordered sold by said decree, being the following described property in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Section 6, Township 7 South Range 3 East, and running thence East 69.92 chains to a point on the Township line; thence South 6.50 chains; thence East 7.50 chains to the West bank of Fish River; thence down said river with its meanderings to a point on the West bank of said river which is 17.50 chains South of the North line of the said Section and being the Northeast Corner of land now or formerly claimed by the Estate of Samuel Timney; thence West 76.50 chains to a stake on range line; thence North 17.50 chains to the place of beginning, containing 120 acres, more or less, all in Township 7 South Range 3 East, and being the same property formerly owned by John W. Stewart, now deceased, which is described in the Chancery Decree dated October 19, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book Number 9 N. S. at page 33, Baldwin County Records;

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 7 South Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama;

to Royal L. Stewart, for the sum of \$3600.00, which was the highest, best and last bid therefor; that she has received the purchase money in compliance with the terms of the said decree of sale; that the said sale was fairly conducted and that the price received therefor is not disproportionate to the value of the said property; that the said report has lain over for more than five days for exceptions and no exceptions have been filed thereto.

It further appearing to the Court from the Report of the Register filed in this cause on the 27th day of April, 1939, that pursuant to the decree made in this cause on the 2nd day of March, 1939, ordering a reference to be held to ascertain and report what is a reasonable attorney's fee for the services rendered by J. B. Blackburn as Solicitor for Complainant in this cause, and also to ascertain and report the amount of the taxes paid by the Complainant herein on the property herein described in the said decree, and the amount due the Complainant herein by the other joint owners of the said property for their part of the said taxes, together with the interest thereon, in which the register of this court reports that on the 27th day of April, 1939, the said reference was held at his office at the court house in Bay Minette, Alabama, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M., in strict compliance with the said decree, and further, that at the said reference, the Register ascertained and reports that the sum of Three Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$360.00) is a reasonable attorney's fee to be allowed J. B. Blackburn, Solicitor for the Complainant in this cause for the services rendered by him in this cause, and that the amount of taxes paid by Royal L. Stewart, the complainant in this cause, on the property jointly owned by the parties to this suit, with interest thereon to April 27, 1939, is the sum of \$1213.96, the respective amounts due the complainant by each of the Respondents being fully set out and described in the said report.

It appearing to the Court that no exceptions have been filed to either of the said reports and upon consideration of the two said reports the court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for by him and IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court as follows:

1. The said report of Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register and as Commissioner in this cause dated April 17, 1939, be and the same is hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed, and as the said sale was in all respects fairly conducted and the price received for the said property was not disproportionate to the value thereof, the said sale be and it is hereby in all respects fully ratified and confirmed and the said Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of this Court and as Commissioner, is hereby ordered and directed to make, execute and deliver to the said Royal L. Stewart, the purchaser at the said sale, a full and proper deed conveying to him all interest in the said property both legal and equitable heretofore held and owned by any and all of the parties to this cause.

2. The said Register's Report on the Reference held in this cause on the 27th day of April, 1939, which report was filed in this cause on the 27th day of April, 1939, be and the same hereby is in all respects fully ratified and confirmed.

3. That the sum of Three Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$360.00) is a reasonable attorney's fee to be allowed J. B. Blackburn, the Solicitor for the Complainant in this cause, which said sum is hereby fixed and allowed him as his fee for services rendered in this cause, which said amount is hereby taxed against all of the parties to this suit to be apportioned among them according to their respective interests in the said property or the proceeds derived from the sale thereof.

4. That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Jeffie Stewart, the sum of \$303.49 being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Henry A. Ellison, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Ernest E. Ellison, the sum of \$75.87, be-

ing the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Hattie Rogers, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Mary Buckner, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, May Currie, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Mrs. Ollie A. Thompson, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Mollie Willie Ramsey, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent;

That the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, do have and recover of the Respondent, Enoch Ramsey, the sum of \$75.87, being the amount due by said Respondent to the Complainant for taxes paid by the Complainant for the use and benefit of the said Respondent; being the amounts due the said Royal L. Stewart by each of the said Respondents as their part of the taxes paid by the Complainant on the property jointly owned by them, with interest thereon to April 27, 1939, for which said amounts the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, has a lien upon the respective interests of the Respondents in the proceeds derived from the sale of the said property, from which the Register of this Court is authorized and directed to pay the said amounts totaling \$910.45 to the said Royal L. Stewart.



5. The Register is hereby ordered and directed to deduct from the purchase price of the said property, namely, Thirty-six Hundred Dollars (\$3600.00), the sum of Three Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$360.00), being the amount fixed and allowed as the fee for the Complainant's solicitor of record in this cause, and pay it to J. B. Blackburn, the Complainant's Solicitor of Record; then deduct all of the costs in this cause, including the cost of the abstract prepared in accordance with a former decree of this court; then pay one-fourth of the net remainder of the purchase price to the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart; then deduct from the net remainder of the proceeds the amounts due the Complainant, Royal L. Stewart, by the respective Respondents as provided in paragraph numbered Four of this decree and pay this amount to the Complainant, and then divide the remainder among the Respondents in proportion to their respective interests in that part of the purchase price then remaining, and take full and adequate receipts from the several parties or persons to whom he shall pay the said funds, and when he has fully complied with the terms of this decree shall promptly report the same to this court.

Done in term time on this the 28th day of April, 1939.

*F. W. Hare*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge.

Statement of State and County Taxes paid by Royal W. Stewart on real estate of John W. Stewart's heirs, Feb 24, 1935

Tax Year	Tax Collector's Receipt Number	Date of payment	Amount of Taxes Paid to Feb. 9-1935	8% interest from Feb. 9-1935 to Feb. 24-1935	6% interest
1917	6296	Feb. 12-1918	\$ 1829	\$ 2480	
1918	Sale & Redemption	Sept. 25-1919	2362	2901	
1919	4966	Dec. 28-1919	1755	2121	
1920		Dec. 20, 1920	2098	2366	
1921		Dec. 30, 1921	2072	2173	
1922	6861	Mar. 23, 1923	3434	3261	
1923	7211	Mar. 15, 1924	3362	2934	
1924		Dec. 31, 1924	2437	1981	
1925		Dec. 30, 1925	3297	2403	
1926	6962	Feb. 19, 1927	3380	2156	
1927	7418	Feb. 25, 1928	3389	1885	
1928	7925	Dec. 30, 1928	3347	1625	
1929	6879	Feb. 5, 1930	3757	1504	
1930	Sale & Redemption	Aug. 29, 1934	6388	270	
1931	7856	May 11, 1932	3763	825	
1932	6365	May 4, 1933	3773	532	
1933	7412	Aug. 28, 1934	3925	166	
1934	3037	Dec. 19, 1934	3683	41	
1935	Paid in 1936		58051		14077
1936	8277	May 12, 1937	7720		826
1937	Sale & Redemption	Jan 3, 1939	4577		39
1938	5174	Dec. 31, 1938	3683		33
			\$74031	\$31624	\$14975

Recapitulation

Total principal Amount	74031
" Interest due to Feb. 9-1935	31624
" " " from Feb. 9-1935	14975
Total principal & interest due this date	\$ 120630

Distribution

Royal S. Stewart	1/4	30159
Jeffie Stewart	1/4	30159
Henry A. Ellison	1/16	7539
Ernest S. Ellison	1/16	7539
Hattie Rogers	1/16	7539

Filed February 25, 1939  
R. S. Duck, Register  
By - Mervine Thompson  
Deputy - Register



ORAL EXAMINATION

I, Ora S. Nelson, as ~~Register~~ 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 him and he signed the same in the presence of myself and J. B. Blackburn 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 24th day of February 1939.

Ora S. Nelson (L. S.)  
Commissioner.

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**The State of Alabama**  
**BALDWIN COUNTY**

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

COMPLAINANT

VS.

RESPONDENT

**ORAL DEPOSITION**

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No 9773

STATE OF ALABAMA Baldwin COUNTY.

Office of the Judge of Probate, Baldwin County.

Sale Docket 8 P. 73

WHEREAS, on the 8 day of July 1931, the real property hereinafter described was sold, in substantial conformity with all the requisitions of the statutes in such cases made and provided, by Jesse M. Smith

Tax Collector of said County, to State of Alabama

for the taxes, interests, penalties and costs, then due and remaining unpaid on said property; and whereas, John M. Stewart

has made application to redeem said land:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. H. Humphries, Judge of the Probate Court of the said County of Baldwin, being satisfied

that the said John M. Stewart

is the owner of said property, and has a right to redeem the same, do hereby certify that the said John M. Stewart

has deposited with me, on this 29 day of Aug 1934,

Eighty-three and 88/100 Dollars,

for the redemption of the following real estate: NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec 1 - T75-R2E

situated in Baldwin County, Alabama.

Assessed to John M. Stewart

Amount of Purchase Money \$ 42.68

Interest at 15% \$ 20.20

Interest at 8% if sale took place on or after September 15th, 1932 \$         

Cost of Certificate of Redemption \$ 1.00

Subsequent Taxes and Interest Paid \$         

Total \$ 63.88

WITNESS, W. H. Humphries

Judge Probate Court of said County, this 29 day of Aug

1934

W. H. Humphries Judge Probate.

Countersigned by J. M. [unclear]

County Treasurer.

Code 1923-3115.

*Thereby certify that subsequent taxes for years 1931-1932 & 1933 were paid to Tax Collector of Baldwin before this redemption as per the certificate and file*

STATE OF ALABAMA Baldwin COUNTY.

N<sup>o</sup> 46313

Office of the Judge of Probate, Baldwin County.

Sale Docket 14 P. 60

WHEREAS, on the 15 day of June 1939, the real property hereinafter described was sold, in substantial conformity with all the requisitions of the statutes in such cases made and provided, by Jesse M. Smith Tax Collector of said County, to State of Alabama for the taxes, interests, penalties and costs, then due and remaining unpaid on said property; and whereas, Royal L. Stewart has made application to redeem said land:

NOW, THEREFORE, I G. W. Robertson, Judge of the Probate Court of the said County of Baldwin, being satisfied that the said Royal L. Stewart is the owner of said property, and has a right to redeem the same, do hereby certify that the said Royal L. Stewart has deposited with me on this 3 day of January, 1939, Sixty-five and 7/10 Dollars, for the redemption of the following real estate:

Nw 1/4 of ne 1/4 sec 1, t7s, r2e, Begn at nw corner sec. 6, t7s r3e, thence 69.92 chs to pt. on tp line lying nw of lot heretofore sold to Grant by Sam Timney, thence s 15.50 chs e 17.50 chns to w bank of Fish River, with its meanders being 11 chs on a due s line to pt. on n bank of Fish River, which pt. is ne cor. land claimed for Timney, thence w 76.59 chns to range line, thence n 7.50 chns to begn sec 6, t7s, r3e.

Amount of Purchase Money	\$ <u>43.74</u>
Interest <u>6%</u>	\$ <u>1.53</u>
Subsequent Taxes <u>1939 J.C.</u>	\$ <u>—</u>
Interest	\$ <u>—</u>
Cost of Certificate of Redemption	\$ <u>.50</u>
Total	\$ <u>45.77</u>

Judge Probate Court of said County, this 3 day of June 1939.

G. W. Robertson  
Judge Probate.

Countersigned by: J. W. Franklin  
County Treasurer.

Complainant's Exhibit "12"

Ora S. Nelson  
Commissioner

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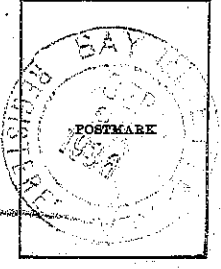
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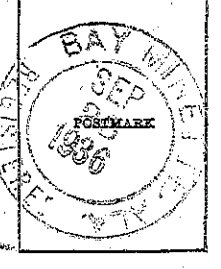
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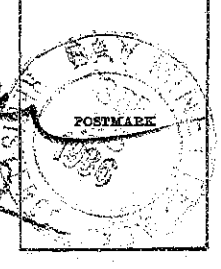
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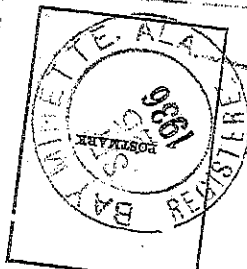
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POSTMARK OF DELIVERY  
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ROYAL L. STEWART,

Complainant,

vs.

JEFFIE STEWART, et al,

Respondents.

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, Amended Bill of Complaint, Decrees Pro Confesso against Jeffie Stewart, Henry A. Ellison, Ernest E. Ellison, Hattie Rogers, Mary Buckner, Mollie Willie Ramsey, Enoch Ramsey and Mrs. Ollie Thompson, and oral deposition of Royal L. Stewart, taken before Ora S. Nelson, Commissioner, on February 24, 1939.

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer of May Currie

*R. S. Dush*  
*Nan Alice Thompson* Register.  
*Deputy Register*

BAY MINETTE, ALA. April 17th, 1939.

Nan Alice Thompson, as deputy  
Register and Commissioner,  
Bay Minette, Ala.

IN ACCOUNT WITH  
J. A. ERTZINGER & SON

ABSTRACTS, INSURANCE, BONDS

ERTZINGER BUILDING

ESTABLISHED 1909

Abstract of title to lands in Section 6, Tp 7 S., R 3 E and the Northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 1, township 7 south, range 2 east, being abstract prepared under order of court decree in case of ~~Raymond~~ Royal L. Stewart vs Jeffie Stewart, et al in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in equity - - - - - \$75.00

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L. Stewart vs Jeffy Stewart, et al in the Circuit Court  
of Baldwin County, Alabama, in equity - - - - - \$75.00

*Paid 5/3/39  
J. A. Ertzinger  
Per O. W. Ertzinger*

No. 173

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**The State of Alabama**  
BALDWIN COUNTY

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**IN EQUITY**  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

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ROYAL L. STEWART,

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Complainant,

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vs.

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Respondents.

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**NOTE OF TESTIMONY**

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Filed in Open Court this 2nd

day of March 1939

*R. S. Ruck*

REGISTER

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Statement

# THE BALDWIN TIMES

BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

March 28, 1939, 193

Hon. R. S. Duck

City

Advertising:

Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, Vs.  
Jeffie Stewart, sale of lands

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The amount of taxes due the State  
below:

Value of Real Estate.....

Value of Personal Property.....

State and County Tax.....

School District Tax No. 51.....

School District Tax No.....

School District Tax No.....

Assessor's Fee.....

Total.....

Interest State Tax.....

Interest County Tax.....

Interest School District Tax No.....

Collector's Fee.....

Printer's Fee.....

Probate Judge's Fee.....

Total Tax, Fees, Interest ar

ORIGINAL

RECEIVED OF

John H. Brewster Dollars,  
 the sum of 1730 being in full of the amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, for the year 1932, divided as follows:

	DOLLARS	CENTS
Total Value of Real Estate	1730	
Total Value of Personal Property		
Total State and County Tax	31	14
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$)		519
District School Tax, Dist. No. 51 (Int. \$)		
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$)		
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$)		
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$)		
Assessor's Fee		50
Total	36	83
Interest on State and County Tax		70
Interest on District School Tax		50
Collector's Fee		
Printer's Fee		
Probate Judge's Fee		
Grand Total	37	73

James M. ...  
 Tax Collector

RECEIVED OF

John H. Brewster  
 the sum of 1730 being in full of the amount of Taxes due the State

Total Value of Real Estate	
Total Value of Personal Property	
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Total	
Interest on State and County Tax	
Interest on District School Tax	
Collector's Fee	
Printer's Fee	
Probate Judge's Fee	
Grand Total	





RECEIVED OF John W. Stewart

the sum of 1200.00 + 200.00 Dollars,  
 being in full the amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, for the year 1936, divided as follows.

Total Value of Real Estate	<u>5455</u>	
Total Value of Personal Property		

	DOLLARS	CENTS
Total State and County Tax	<u>62</u>	<u>19</u>
District School Tax, Dist. No. _____ (Int. \$ _____)		
District School Tax, Dist. No. <u>51</u> (Int. \$ _____)	<u>10</u>	<u>37</u>
District School Tax, Dist. No. _____ (Int. \$ _____)		
District School Tax, Dist. No. _____ (Int. \$ _____)		
District School Trx, Dist. No. _____ (Int. \$ _____)		
Assessor's Fee _____		
Total _____		<u>50</u>
Interest on State and County Tax _____	<u>9</u>	<u>06</u>
Interest on District School Tax _____	<u>1</u>	<u>64</u>
Collector's Fee _____	<u>1</u>	<u>25</u>
Printer's Fee _____		<u>00</u>
Probate Judge's Fee _____		<u>25</u>
Grand Total	<u>77</u>	<u>20</u>

*Royal Stewart*

*John W. Stewart*  
 Tax Collector

**RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 209**  
 15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid. \_\_\_\_\_, 1935  
 Declared value, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Surcharges paid, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 From Robert S. Duch Register & C.C.  
Baldwin Co.  
 Addressed to John O. H. Stewart  
Jacksonville, Fla.  
 Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
 Return receipt fee 3 in person \_\_\_\_\_ or order \_\_\_\_\_ Special delivery fee \_\_\_\_\_  
 Delivery restricted to addressee \_\_\_\_\_ Fee paid 10 Postmaster, per MA



**RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 210**  
 15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid. 10-25, 1935  
 Declared value, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Surcharges paid, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 From Robert S. Duch Register & C.C.  
Baldwin Co.  
 Addressed to John O. H. Stewart  
Marbleton, Fla.  
 Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
 Return receipt fee 3 in person \_\_\_\_\_ or order \_\_\_\_\_ Special delivery fee \_\_\_\_\_  
 Delivery restricted to addressee \_\_\_\_\_ Fee paid 10 Postmaster, per MA



**RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 211**  
 15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid. 10-25, 1935  
 Declared value, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Surcharges paid, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 From Robert S. Duch Register & C.C.  
Baldwin Co.  
 Addressed to John O. H. Stewart  
Bilton, Ala.  
 Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
 Return receipt fee 3 in person \_\_\_\_\_ or order \_\_\_\_\_ Special delivery fee \_\_\_\_\_  
 Delivery restricted to addressee \_\_\_\_\_ Fee paid 10 Postmaster, per MA



**RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 212**  
 15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid. 10-25, 1935  
 Declared value, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Surcharges paid, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 From Robert S. Duch Register & C.C.  
Baldwin Co.  
 Addressed to Theresa B. Buckner  
Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
 Return receipt fee 2 in person \_\_\_\_\_ or order \_\_\_\_\_ Special delivery fee \_\_\_\_\_  
 Delivery restricted to addressee \_\_\_\_\_ Fee paid 10 Postmaster, per MA



**RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 213**  
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 Declared value, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Surcharges paid, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 From Robert S. Duch Register & C.C.  
Baldwin Co.  
 Addressed to Theresa B. Buckner  
Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
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RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 205  
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15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid.  
Declared value \$ 1.00  
From Robert S. Beach, Registrar & Co.  
Baldwin Co. (Sender)  
Addressed to Ernest O. Cannon  
Wattisburg, Miss. (Post office and State)  
Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
Return receipt fee 3  
Delivery restricted to addressee  
Special delivery fee  
Postmaster, per M.A.  
Fee paid 1.0



RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 206  
10-25, 1935

15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid.  
Declared value \$ 1.00  
From Robert S. Beach, Registrar & Co.  
Baldwin Co. (Sender)  
Addressed to Ernest O. Cannon  
Wattisburg, Miss. (Post office and State)  
Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
Return receipt fee 3  
Delivery restricted to addressee  
Special delivery fee  
Postmaster, per M.A.  
Fee paid 1.0



RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 207  
10-25, 1935

15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid.  
Declared value \$ 1.00  
From Robert S. Beach, Registrar & Co.  
Baldwin Co. (Sender)  
Addressed to Elmer Linnard  
Wattisburg, Miss. (Post office and State)  
Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
Return receipt fee 3  
Delivery restricted to addressee  
Special delivery fee  
Postmaster, per M.A.  
Fee paid 1.0



RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 208  
10-25, 1935

15¢ fee paid. 1st class postage paid.  
Declared value \$ 1.00  
From Robert S. Beach, Registrar & Co.  
Baldwin Co. (Sender)  
Addressed to M. S. Detrop, Sales City, Ala.  
Wattisburg, Miss. (Post office and State)  
Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
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After five days return to  
**ROBERT S. DUCK**  
Register and Clerk of the Circuit  
Court, Baldwin County  
BAY MINETTE, ALA.

Return Receipt Requested  
Fee Paid

Deliver to addressee only.

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE ONLY.

REGISTERED

Mrs. Ollie Thompson,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

RETURN RECEIPT  
REQUESTED

REGISTERED  
209

U.S. MAIL  
FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

U.S. MAIL  
FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 470.39, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als., Respondents, in the said Court, in Equity, being case Number 173, as provided in the Court's decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1939.

*Jeffie Stewart*  
JEFFIE STEWART

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 117.60, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als., Respondents, in the said Court in Equity, being case Number 173, as provided in the Court's Decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1939.

*Herring H. Elman*  
HERRING H. ELMAN

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

MAY 12 1939  
HOUSTON TEXAS  
SOUTH TEXAS NATIONAL BANK

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 117.60, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als., Respondents, in the said Court, in Equity, being case Number 173, as provided in the Court's decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

day of May, 1939

THE BANK BY KEU ON 11021 CO



Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 117.60, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, ~~Complainant~~, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als, Respondents, in the said Court in Equity, being case Number 173, as provided in the Court's Decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1939.

Mary Bunker

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 117.60, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als, Respondents, in the said Court, in Equity, being case Number 173, as provided in the Court's decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1939.

Ernest E. Ellison

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 117.60, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, ~~Complainant~~, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als, Respondents, in the said Court in Equity, being case Number 173, as provided in the Court's Decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1939.

Mollie Willis Ramsey

Sign but do not detach this receipt.



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Dated this 17th day of May, 1939.

Nan Alice Thompson

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK  
OF MOBILE  
E. G. CRENSHAW, Cashier

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, the sum of \$ 1684.33, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal L. Stewart, #####, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als., Respondents, in the said Court in Equity, being case number 175, as provided in the Court's Decree in the said cause dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this 17th day of May, 1939.

Royal L. Stewart

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK  
OF MOBILE  
E. G. CRENSHAW, Cashier

RECEIVED of **John W. Stewart**  
 the sum of **1730** Dollars,  
 being in full of the amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, for the  
 year 1929, divided as follows:

Total Value of Real Estate	1730		
Total Value of Personal Property			
Total State and County Tax		31	14
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$ )			
District School Tax, Dist. No. <b>51</b> (Int. \$ )		5	19
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$ )			
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$ )			
District School Tax, Dist. No. (Int. \$ )			
Printer's Fee			
Total		36	33
Interest on State and County Tax			
Interest on District School Tax			
Printer's Fee			
Judge's Fee			
Grand Total		36	57

**James M. Stewart**  
 Tax Collector.

Received of **John W. Stewart**  
 the sum of **3399** Dollars,  
 in full amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, 1927.

Total Value of Real Estate, \$ **1570** Total Value of Personal Property, \$ **1**  
 Tax Due October 1, 1927 Tax Rate, \$1.80 per \$100 Valuation Delinquent Jan. 1, 1928

Total State and County Tax	28	26
Special District School Tax		
District No. <b>51</b>	4	71
Fees		50
Total State and County Tax	33	97
Interest		42
Printer Judge Notice		
Aggregate Amount	33	99

**James M. Stewart**  
 Tax Collector, Baldwin County, Ala.

6-70-33

The sum of Dollars in full of the amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, 1933, is as follows:

Total Value of Real Estate

Total Value of Personal Property

Total State and County Tax

Special District Tax

County School Tax

County Hospital Tax

County Jail Tax

County Poor Tax

County Road Tax

County Waterworks Tax

County Sewerage Tax

County Fire Tax

County Police Tax

County Jail Tax

County Poor Tax

County Road Tax

County Waterworks Tax

County Sewerage Tax

County Fire Tax

County Police Tax

*Complainant's Exhibit "17"*  
*Oris S Nelson*  
*Commissioner*

Assessment Book No. Page

No. Book

Received of

The sum of Dollars in full amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, 1933.

Total Value of Real Estate, \$ Total Value of Personal Property, \$ Total Due October 1, 1933, \$

Total State and County Tax

Special District Tax

County School Tax

County Hospital Tax

County Jail Tax

Total State and County Tax

Interest

Printer's Notice

*Complainant's Exhibit "16"*  
*Oris S Nelson*  
*Commissioner*

Assessment Book No. 2 Page 178

No. 4966 Beat 178 1919

Received of John W. Stewart

the sum of 17.55 Dollars,  
in full amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, 1919.

Total Value of Real Estate, \$ 970 Total Value of Personal Property, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Rate, \$1.80 per \$100 Valuation

State Tax \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

County Tax \_\_\_\_\_

Special District School Tax \_\_\_\_\_

Fees \_\_\_\_\_

**Total State and County Tax** \_\_\_\_\_

Tax \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \_\_\_\_\_

Interest \_\_\_\_\_

Printer \_\_\_\_\_ Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Notice \_\_\_\_\_

Aggregate Amount \_\_\_\_\_

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A. Prosperous  
New Year for you  
Yours,  
G.W.H.

6.54  
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17.55

[Signature]  
Tax Collector, Baldwin County, Ala.

ment Book No. 2 Page 49

6296 Beat 2/12 1918

Received of Jno W Stewart

of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars,  
Amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, 1917.

Value of Real Estate, \$ 975- Total Value of Personal Property, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Rate, \$1.80 per \$100 Valuation

State Tax		<u>6</u>	<u>34</u>
County Tax		<u>11</u>	<u>21</u>
Fees		<u>1</u>	<u>50</u>
<b>Total State and County Tax</b>		<u>18</u>	<u>05-</u>
Tax	Fee		
Interest	<u>+</u> <u>ET</u>		<u>24</u>
Printer	Judge	Notice	
<b>Aggregate Amount</b>		<u>18</u>	<u>29</u>

R W Humphreys  
Tax Collector, Baldwin County, Ala.

Assessment Book No. 2 Page 166

No. 6861 Beat 3/23 1922

Received of John W. Stewart

the sum of 337.26 Dollars,  
in full amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Baldwin, 1922.

Total Value of Real Estate, \$ 1570 Total Value of Personal Property, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Tax Due October 1, 1922 Tax Rate, \$1.80 per \$100 Valuation Delinquent Jan. 1, 1923

State Tax	28.26
County Tax	
Special District School Tax	4.71
District No.	
Fees	0.15
<b>Total State and County Tax</b>	<b>33.12</b>
Interest	6.14
Printer Judge Notice	
<b>Aggregate Amount</b>	<b>39.26</b>

ORIGINAL

Received from Nan Alice Thompson, as Deputy Register of the v. Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and as Commissioner, of \$ 117.60, being the amount due me from the proceeds of the sale of property in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the case of Royal E. Stewart, ~~Complainant~~, Complainant, versus Jeffie Stewart, et als, Respondents, in the said Court in Equity, being case number 178, as provided in the Court's Decree in the said case dated April 28, 1939.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1939.

May Currie

Sign but do not detach this receipt.  
Endorse check.

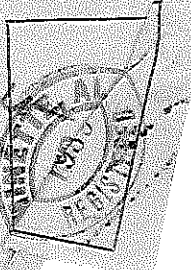
RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 704

Postage fee paid 1 class postage paid 2-18, 1939  
 Declared value, \$ Legal Expenses Surcharges paid, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 From R. A. Dwyer, Register of Chancery  
Baldwin Co. - Mass. Minors  
 Addressed to May Currie  
 Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery  
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 Fee paid \_\_\_\_\_ Postmaster, per 15



RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 485

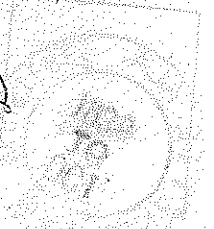
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 From R. A. Dwyer, Register of Chancery  
Baldwin Co. - Mass. Minors  
 Addressed to May Currie  
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 Fee paid 10 Postmaster, per 15



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RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 277

Declared value, \$ 10.15 class postage paid. 10-15 1936

From W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Sender)

Addressed to W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Street and number) W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (City) Bay Mills, Ala. (Post office and State)

Accepted by employee W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Street and number) W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (City) Bay Mills, Ala. (Post office and State)

Return receipt fee 03 restricted to addressee 10 Postmaster, per B

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RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 253

Declared value, \$ 10.76 class postage paid. 10-76 1936

From W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Sender)

Addressed to W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Street and number) W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (City) Bay Mills, Ala. (Post office and State)

Accepted by employee W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Street and number) W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (City) Bay Mills, Ala. (Post office and State)

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Postmaster, per \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE No. 196

Declared value, \$ 9.33 class postage paid. 9-33 1936

From W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Sender)

Addressed to W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Street and number) W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (City) Bay Mills, Ala. (Post office and State)

Accepted by employee W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (Street and number) W. W. Hatcher, Jr. (City) Bay Mills, Ala. (Post office and State)

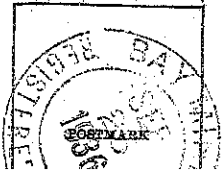
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Postmaster, per \_\_\_\_\_





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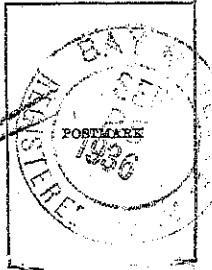
10 fee paid, 1st class postage paid. 9-20, 1936 (Date)

Declared value, \$10.00 Surcharges paid, \$0.00  
From R. D. Smith, C. O.

Addressed to H. S. ... (Address)

Accepting employee will place initials in space below, indicating restricted delivery

Return receipt fee 3 in person or order Special delivery fee  
Delivery restricted to addressee Fee paid 10 Postmaster, per MIA



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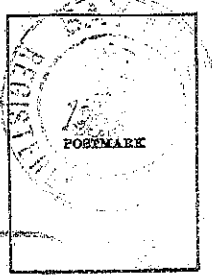
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Addressed to ... (Address)

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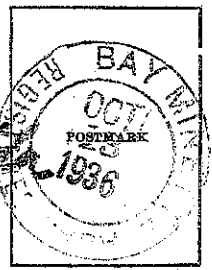
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Addressed to Mrs. ... (Address)

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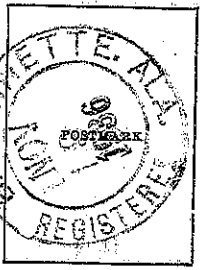
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From R. D. ... (Sender)

Addressed to ... (Address)

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