STATE OF ALABAMA ex rel KENNETH COOPER, SOLICITOR OF ) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, COMPLAINANT, VS. 144 PINTS OLD TAYLOR WHISKEY, et al, RESPONDENTS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted for final decree upon the bill of complaint, answer and claim of Howard C. Ward, and testimony taken orally in open court, neither the respondent, Howard C. Ward, nor his attorney being present after being duly notified that the case was set for hearing this date, and the same being considered and understood the Court is of the opinion that the Petitioner is entitled to the relief prayed subject to the claims hereinafter fixed and allowed.

It is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the property in this case be turned over to the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, at Montgomery, Alabama, for disposition thereof in strict accordance with the statutes governing the disposition thereof.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed bythe Court that after first deducting all costs herein accrued the proceeds paid by the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board be distributed by the Clerk of this Court in strict accordance with the statutes in such cases made and provided.

Done and ordered this 10th day of August, 1955.

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Circuit Judge, In Equity Sitting

STATE OF ALABAMA, EX REL KENNETH COOPER, SOLICITOR OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

VS.

144 PINTS OLD TAYLOR WHISKEY, et als, RESPONDENTS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

NO. 3562

## ANSWER AND CLAIM OF HOWARD C. WARD

Now comes the Howard C. Ward, and for answer to the Petition or Bill of Complaint filed in this cause, and separately and severally to each and every paragraph thereof, says as follows, to-wit:

- 1. Claimant admits the allegations of Paragraphs No. 1 and 2
- 21 Claimant denies the averments of Paragraphs 3 and 4.

Now having answered said Petition or Bill of Complaint, Howard C. Ward avers that at the time mentioned therein said whiskey was travelling in inter-state commerce, to-wit, from Mississippi, to Georgia, and said whiskey was then and there in course of inter-state transportation through the State of Alabama from Mississippi, to Georgia; Claimant avers that he is a resident of the State of Georgia; Claimant avers that he is a resident of the State of Georgia; that on or about the 27th day of May, 1955, he purchased fifty (50) cases of Federal Tax Paid Liquors from a dealer in Mississippi, and had said liquors loaded into his automobile for the purpose of transporting said liquors to Georgia; Claimant avers that at the time of seizure of said liquors said liquors were enroute to the State of Georgia, from the State of Mississippi, in inter-state commerce; Claimant avers that none of said liquors were disposed of in violation of the laws of Alabama, nor was it intended that any of said liquors be disposed of in the State of Alabama; and Claimant avers that such liquors and the vehicle transporting them are entitled to the immunity afforded to lawful inter-state commerce while passing through the State of Alabama and that such liquors are not subject to seizure and condemnation under the laws of Alabama; Claimant avers that such liquors are not contraband and were not contraband when seized, and that said liquors and vehicle was not used in violation of any laws of the State of Alabama at the time of seizure ar at any time; Claimant Howard C. Ward avers that he is the owner of said liquor and vehicle and that there are no outstanding claims against said liquor and vehicle and that he will suffer a great loss finencially and otherwise if this Court orders said liquors condemed and forfeited as prayed for in said Petition of the Circuit Solicitor of said Baldwin County. Alabama.

Howard C. Ward

State of Alabama County of Tuscaloosa

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Howard C. Ward who being first duly sworn deposes and says that the above stated facts are true and that this his verified claim be filed in the above cause.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>26</u> day of July, 1955.

Jace H. M. Gueic Notary Public

STATE OF ALABAMA, exrel KENNETH COOPER, Solicitor of Baldwin County, Alabama, Complainant, Vs∙ 144 Pints Old Taylor Wiskey, 72 Pints Bourbon DeLux Wiskey, 72 Pints Early Times Wiskey,

72 Pints Lord Calvert Wiskey,

72 Pints Calvert Reserve Wiskey,

72 Pints Seagrams 7 Crown Wiskey,

72 Pints Cabin Still Wiskey, 48 Pints Gilbeys Gin, and 192 Half-pints Calvert Reserve Wiskey,

Respondents.

DENTHE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

In this cause at is ordered that J.T. Burton, Chief of Enforcement Division, Alabama Adcoholic Beverage Control Board, is appointed custodian, without bond and without compensation, for the storage of the following described property, to-wit:

144 Pints Old Taylor Wiskey,

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192 Half-pints Calvert Reserve Wiskey; and said custodian is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take possession and control of said property during the pendency of this cause or until further orders of this Court.

It is further ordered that the 10 th day of Mugnet, 1955, be and hereby is the day set for all parties claiming any right, title or interest in said property, sought to be condemned to appear and propound their claims, if any they have, and the Register of this Court is ordered to give notice as required

by statute.

Done and ordered this <u>f</u> th day of July, 1955.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

In Equity.

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT, IN EQUITY SITTING:

Comes the Complainant, the State of Alabama, on the relation of Kenneth Cooper, as Circuit Solicitor of the 28th Judicial Circuit, Baldwin County, Alabama, who relates and gives the Court to understand and be informed of the following facts:

- (1) That Kenneth Cooper, as Circuit Solicitor of the 28th Judicial Circuit, Baldwin County, Alabama, is zuthorized to bring this bill of complaint for condemnation proceedings of the property hereinafter described;
- (2) That Howard C. Ward, in whose possession the following property hereinafter described was found and who is over the age of twenty-one years, is a resident of Tallapoosa, Georgia;
- (3) That Howard D. Ward, on, to-wit, 27 May, 1955, did have in his possession and under his control, and did transport alcoholic beverages into, through, or across the State of Alabama, contrary to the laws of the State of Alabama and contrary to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board;
- (4) That Howard C. Ward, on, to-wit, 27 May, 1955, did have in his possession or under his control the following alcoholic beverages, the same not having affixed thereto the revenue stamps, crowns, lids or insignia as required by the laws of the State Page 1.

of Alabama and contrary to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board:

- 144 Pints Old Taylor Wiskey,
- 72 Pints Bourbon DeLux Wiskey,
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- 192 Half-pints Calvert Reserve Wiskey.

Wherefore, the premises considered, your orator prays that a summons issue or appropriate notice by publication or other lawful means of notice be made to the said Howard C.Ward, requiring him to plead, answer or demur to this bill of complaint under the rules of this Honorable Court, within the time allowed by law, and that on the final hearing of this cause YOur Honor will make and enter a decree condemning the above described property as contraband, forfeiting the same to the State of Alabama, and directing the sale of same as provided by law, to-wit Section 51, Title 29, Code of Alabama, 1940, as amended, and your complainant prays for such other, further and/or different relief as he may in equity and good conscience be entitled to.

Circuit Solicitor.

28th Judicial Circuit

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_d\_ th day of July, 1955

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STATE OF ALABAMA, Ex rel

KENNETH COOPER, Solicitor

For Baldwin County, Alabama,

Complainnat, Vs.

ONE FORD AUTOMOBILE, MOTOR

No. BOAT-143250, Respondent

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

In this cause it is ordered that J.T. Burton, Chief of Enforcement Division, Alabama Alcoholic Eeverage Control Board, is appointed custodian, w thout bond and without compensation, for the storage, of the following described property, to-wit:

One Ford Automobile, Motor No. BOAT-143250; and said custodian is hereby authorized, empowered and directee to take possession and control of said property during the pendency of this cause or until further orders of this Court.

It is further ordered that the 10 th day of 1955, be and hereby is the day set for all parties claiming any right, title or interest in the said property, vehicle or conveyance sought to be condemned to appear and propound their claims, if any they have, and the Register is ordered to give notice as required by statute.

Done and ordered this \_\_\_\_ th day July, 1955.

Circuit Judge, in Equity Sitting.

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