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C. A. RUFFLES and MRS. CHAS. A. RUFFLES,

Complainants

vs.

GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE INN, a limited partnership,

A. L. McCUE and ADAIR W. M6CUE

STAPLETON AND STAPLETON, a partnership

PRITCHARD GLASS COMPANY, a corporation

GARLAND STEPHENS, and

FAIRHOPE TITLE AND SURVEY COMPANY,

Respondents

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY.

Comes the complainants, C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. Chas A. Ruffles and shows to this Honorable Court the following:

#### FIRST:

That they are over the age of twenty-one years and resident citizens of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama; that there is no record in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama of a limited partnership known as Golden Slipper Drive Inn, however a contract was executed in that name with the Complainants by A. L. McCue, who signed as Fresident; that A. L. McCue is over the age of twenty-one years, and is not now residing in the State of Alabama, and his place of residence and post office address cannot be obtained after deligent inquiry; that Adair W. McCue is over the age of twenty-one years and a resident of Eairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama; that Stapleton and Stapleton is a partnership in Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama; that Pritchard Glass Company, is a corporation of Mobile County, Alabama; that Garland Stephens is a resident of Fairhope, Alabama; and that Fairhope Title and Survey Company is believed by Complainants to be a partnership of Fairhope. Alabama; that all of the Respondents hereinabove names are either corporate entities or individuals over the age of twenty-one years.

#### SECOND:

Complainants further show into the Court that they are the owners in fee simple of the real estate in Baldwin County, Alabama described as follows, viz: Lot 19 of Block 16 in the Volanta Addition to the Town of Fairhope as recorded as shown by a plat of record in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama; that as such owners they entered into a lease and agreement on the 21st day of April, 1955 with A. L. McCue, who executed the lease in the following manner: Gold Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, by A. L. McCue, President, a copy of which lease is attached hereto and specifically made a part hereof, being marked "Exhibit A".

#### THIRD:

That at the time of the execution of the lease and agreement, C. A. Ruffles, one of the Complainants herein, demanded of A. L. McCue the names of the members of the partnership, and was informed by the said A. L. McCue that the partnership was then composed of, or to be composed of, he and his wife, Adair W. McCue, and on this belief and information the contracted was executed by the Complainants.

# FOURTH:

That in accordance with the terms and conditions of the lease and agreement attached as "Exhibit A", Respondent, A. L. McCue, entered into certain agreements for improvement and betterment of said property, and certain work was done and materials furnished for which no payment has been made, and on which affidavits of lien have been filed for record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama. The amounts which are due, and the persons, firms, or corporations to whom due, according to the best knowledge, information and belief of the Complainants are as follows: Stapleton and Stapleton, contractors - \$1,248.00, Pritchard Glass Company, for plate glass - \$400.00, Garland Stephens for electrical work \$461.48, Fairhope Title and Survey Company \$25.00 for survey. Complainants further show that these are the only sums due and unpaid for work and labor done, or materials furnished on the property.

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#### FIFTH:

Complainants further show to the Court that more than thirty days ago A. L. McCue, who had been in possession of the property from the 21st day of April, 1955 under and by virtue of the lease and agreement shown as "Exhibit A", abandoned said property, and departed from the State of Alabama, and has not for more then two months paid the rental due on said property as provided in said lease and agreement. Complainants further show that they have been unable to ascertain his whereabouts after diligent inquiry, nor has anyone come forward claiming possession of the property, or tendered payments of rental as a member of the partnership or as "Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership. Complainants further show that Adair W. McCue has denied any connection with said partnership, and has verbally disclaimed any interest in said property or liability for the payments of rental, or for the payment of the sums due for work and labor as hereinabove provided.

### SIXTH:

Complainants further show that additional sums must be spent to complete the work necessary to put the property in proper, rentable condition, and Complainants have agreed with the lien claimants hereinabove specified to make payment of the sums due as herein set out upon being assured that the contract and agreement marked "Exhibit A" having been breached, is of no force and effect, and that Complainants now have full right and possession to said property. Complainants have also, and do hereby offer to do equity in the premises.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Complainants pray that the Respondents named hereinabove be made parties defendant to this cause by the usual process of this Honorable Court, and that the said A. L. McCue, being a non-resident, be served by publication as in the statutes and rules of practice provided. Complainants further pray that the Respondents be required to plead, answer, and demurr within the time required by law, or that a decree pro confesso may be taken against them. Complainants thereupon pray that they be granted the following relief. 1. That the lease and agreement hereto attached marked "Exhibit A" be declared forfeited, null,

void, and of no force and effect, and that they be declared as having an unqualified right of possession against Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, or any members, or partners thereof, if any, and A. L. McCue, and that they be declared the owner of all improvements on said property whether thereto attacked or not. 2. That upon payment to the lien claimants herein made Respondents, in the amounts as herein set out, that their liens and claims be declared cancelled, and that they be directed to cancel and show satisfied and discharged the affidavits of claim of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama. 3. That Claimants be allowed to sell and dispose of any property on the premises to apply to the payment of the indebtedness. 4. That they be granted such other, further, different, or general relief as to the Honorable Court may seem just and proper as in duty bound they will ever pray.

Attorney for Complainants

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STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on this the 21st day off April, 1955, by and between C. A. Ruffles and wife Mrs. Charles A. Ruffles hereinafter referred to as the Lessors and Golden Slipper Drive-In, a limited partnership, hereinafter referred to as the Lessee, WITNESSETH: The Lessors for and in consideration of the rent to be paid, have and do hereby demise and lease to the Lessee, that certain property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, and more specifically described as follows together with the buildings, and other appurtenances thereunto;

Lot 19 of Block 16 in the volunta addition to the Town of Fairhope as recorded by plat in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

1.

This lease shall be in effect on the 1st day of May, 1955, and shall terminate on the 30th day of April, 1956, provided however that the said lessee shall have and by these presents for a valuable consideration acknowledged herewith an option to renew said lease from year to year for nine additional years with the following provisions; that the rentals shall be for the life of the original lease of one year \$20.00 per month and upon the exercise of the option \$20.00 per month for each of four succeeding years aggregating a total of five years at such monthly rental, that upon the exercise of the option for the sixth year said rents shall increase to \$22.50 per month during the sixth year; and upon the exercise of the said option for the seventh year said rentals shall be \$25.00 per month with a like increase of \$2.50 per month to be increased annually until said rentals shall on the 10th year be \$32.50 per month all of which shall be payable on the 1st of each month during the exercise of the said annual option specified herein.

2.

The lessor agrees that the lessee shall have the right to remodel the building now situated on the property to suit the needs of the lessee and further agrees that the said lessee may erect according to the discretion of the lessee, build on the structure as may be required in the operation of the business carried on

upon this property, that all buildings erected on said property shall become the property of the said lessor upon the termination of this lease or upon the failure of the lessee to exercise his option during the life of said options.

There is excepted however from the foregoing agreement on fill ing station equipment which the said lessor agrees that the said lessee may remove from the premises at any time during the life of this lease or within 30 days after the termination thereof.

4.

It is further agreed between the parties that the said lessee shall have the right to sublease all or part of the property covered by this lease and that the said sub-lease shall have the rights granted originally to the lessee of this contract for that portion of the property subleased.

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In the event of a sale of such property it is agreed between the parties that the lexsee shall have the right to purchase said property upon meeting a bona fide offer but this paragraph is not to be construed as an agreement for a force sale.

6.

It is agreed between the parties that the said lessee shall not later than thirty days before the expiration of this lease exercise his annual option in wiriting by sending by United States mail postage prepaid a written notice to the lessors at Fairhope, Alabama which action shall be deemed by both parties to be proper notice.

7.

It is further agreed between the parties that in the event said lessee subleases the property or any part thereof which is covered by the foregoing lease he shall immediately notify said lessors of this instrument or if said lease is to take place in the futute shall give said lessors thirty days notice of the effective date of said sublease.

8.

That upon the failure of the lessee to exercise his annual option the foregoing lease shall be canceled and the lessee shall have thirty days in which to move all equipment from the premises

other than buildings presently situate thereon or erected thereon by the lessee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties having hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on this the day and year first above mentioned.

(signed) C. A. RUFFLES Ressor

(signed) MRS CHARLES A. RUFFLES Wife of Lessor.

GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE-IN, A LIMITED PART-NERSHIP

(signed)

A. L. McCUE President

EXECUTED IN THE PRESENCE OF:

(signed) Wm. R. Ruffles, Jr.

(signed) Catherine A. Ruffles

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C. A. RUFFLES and MRS. C. A. RUFFLES

Complainants

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

-VS-

GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE INN, A limited partnership, et al,

Respondents

Comes the respondent, CLAUDE W. ARNOLD, individually and doing business as FAIRHOPE TITLE AND SURVEY COMPANY, and for answer to the bill of complaint filed in this cause, says as follows:

For answer to Paragraph one of bill of complaint, respondent admits that he is a resident of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, over the age of twenty-one years.

For answer to Paragraph two, respondent admits the allegations of Paragraph two.

For answer to Paragraph three, respondent neither admits or denies the allegations.

For answer to Paragraph four, respondent states that he did surveying work on said premises under and by virtue of a contract with A. L. McCUE, doing business as the GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE INN, and that, as such, he is entitled to a materialman's lien in that sum for work done and has filed a verified statement of said lien in the Probate Court as required by law.

For answer to Paragraph five, respondent neither admits or denies that allegation.

For answer to Paragraph six, respondent admits the allegations of said paragraph.

For further answer to said bill of complaint, respondent shows that, before said lease was terminated, he had a valid lien upon the leased premises for materials and labor furnished and, together with the other respondents in said cause, offered to pay the rent under said lease so that said lease would not be void as to their liens.

WHEREFORE, respondent pray that this Court decree that he has a valid lien on the improvements on said property for his materials and labor in improving and beautifying same, and that such orders and decrees be made as to establish his leasehold rights in said land so that the improvements thereon and said land shall be paid subject to his debt, in accordance with the rules and practices of this Henorable Court, and if

said lien is paid off by the complainants in accordance with his bill, said lien be discharged, otherwise remain in full force and effect.

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Respondent

Attorney for Respondent

ANSWER TO

BILL OF COMPLAINT

C. A. RUFFLES AND MRS. C.A. RUFFLES, Complainants,

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GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE INN,
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY Baldwin County  No
C. A. RUFFLES and MRS. CHARLES A. RUFFLES  ComplainantS  Vs.
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Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against Golden Slipper Drive-Ing,
a Limited Partnership, and A. L. McCue, individually and Defendant s as President of the Golden Slipper Drive-Inn in the annexed stated cause, on the ground that more than thirty days have elapsed since the perfec-
tion of publication was made under the order of this Court; and it having been shown by due proof to
the Court that said Defendant is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and has failed to answer,
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PRITCHARD GLASS COMPANY, a corporation

GARLAND STEPHENS, and

FAIRHOPE TITLE AND SURVEY COMPANY,

Respondents

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

## ORDER OF FUBLICATION

In this cause, it appearing to the Register from the affidavit of G. C. Chason, attorney for the Complainants, that the Respondent A. L. McCue, individually and as President of the Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama; that his residence and post office address are unknown; and that he is over the age of twenty-one years, i

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that publication be made once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Onlooker, a newspaper published in Baldwin County, Alabama, requiring the said A. L. McCue, individually and as President of the Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, to plead, answer, or demurr to the Bill of Complain in this cause by the 23rd of August, 1955, or in default thereof 30 days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against A. L. McCue and Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership.

Done this the 19 day of July, 1955.

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STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, FRANCES & MALLORY a Notary Public in and fo said County in said State, personally appeared C. G. Chason, who i known to me and who after being by me first duly and legally sworn deposes and says under oath as follows: That his name is C. G. Chason; that he is an attorney-at-law, licensed to practice in Baldwin County, Alabama, and is attorney for C. A. Ruffles and Mrs Charles A. Ruffles, who are Complainants in an equity proceeding against A. L. McCue and others now pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama in Equity; that as such attorney, he has made diligent inquiries to locate any members of a partnership known as Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, and find no such member, and no partnership of record as a limited partnership, in the Probate records of Baldwin County, Alabama as provide by law; that in his opinion, and from his information and inquirie he states that A. L. McCue, who held himself forth as President of said partnership, is the only person to be served with process in behalf of said partnership; that A. L. McCue is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that his present location and post office address cannot be obtained after diligent inquiry; that this affidavit is made for the purpose of securing an order of service of process by publication on A. L. McCue individually, and on A. L. McCue as President of Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, and therefore on said partnership.

Affiant further states that A. I. McCue is over the age of twenty-one years.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, on this

the / day of July, 1955.

Public, Baldwin State of Alabama

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# SATISFACTION OF LIEN

Whereas CLAUDE W. ARWOLD, doing business as Fairhope Title and Survey Company, has been paid in full for the labor and materials on the Mc Cue property by C. A. Ruffles, he hereby assigns all his right title and interest in said lien to the said C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. C. A. Ruffles and disclaims any interest in said property.

Claude W. arnold

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 26th day of July, 1955.

Notary Public

Baldwin County, Alabama

C. A. RUFFLES AND MRS. C. A. RUFFLES,

Complainants

-vs

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Respondents

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WHEREAS, GARLAND STEVENS has been paid in full for his labor and materials on the Mc Cue property by C. A. Ruffles, he hereby assigns all his right title and interest in said lien to the said C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. C. A. Ruffles and disclaims any interest in said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 26th day of July, 1955.

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama C. A. RUFFLES AND MRS.
C. A. RUFFLES,

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TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

Comes now the Respondent, ADALR W. McCUE, and for answer to the Bill of complaint heretofore filed in this cause says:

This Respondent claims any right, title or interest in and to the property, the subject matter of the suit, and disclaims any connection with the alleged lease contract set forth in the Bill of Complaint. Respondent further disclaims any liability for the indebtedness incurred in and to the property, the subject matter of this suit.

Now having fully answered the Bill of Complaint, this Respondent prays that she may have judgment or decree discharging her from any and all liability, on the basis of this her disclaimer, and that this Respondent may go hence with her cost in this behalf expended.

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Attorney for Respondent

#### ANSWER TO BILL OF COMPLAINT

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TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY:

Comes now the Respondents, STAPLETON AND STAPLETON, a partnership, by and through their attorney, Ernest M. Bailey, and for answer to the Bill of Complain heretofore filed in this cause, says:

The Respondents acknowledge receipt of the sum of \$1248.00 to them paid by the Complainant, C. A. RUFFLES, and Respondents assign to the Complainant, C. A. RUFFLES, such right as they may have in a lien on the improvements on said property for materials, labor, rents and insurance, said leased property being the subject matter of this suit.

And for further answer to the Bill of Complaint the Respondents claim no right, title or interest in and to the property, the subject matter of this suit, and disclaim any connection with the alleged lease contract set forth in the Bill of Complaint. Respondents further disclaim any liability for the indebtedness incurred in and to the property, the subject matter of this suit.

Now having fully answered the Bill of Complaint, the Respondents pray that they may have judgment or decree discharging them from any and all liability on the basis of this their disclaimer, and that the Respondents may go hence with their cost in this behalf expended.

Attorney for Respondents

C. A. RUFFLES and MRS. CHAS. A. RUFFLES, Complainants

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TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

Comes now the Respondent, RRICHARD GLASS COMPANY, by and through its attorney, Ernest M. Bailey, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint heretofore filed in this cause; says:

The Respondent acknowledges receipt of the sum of \$400.00 to it paid by the Complainant, C. A. RUFFLES, and Respondent does assign to the Complainant, C. A. RUFFLES, such right as they may have in a lien on the improvements on said leased property for materials, labor, and merchandise, said property being the subject matter of this suit.

And for further enswer to the Bill of Complaint the Respondent claims no right, title or interest in and to the property, the subject matter of this suit, and disclaims any connection with the alleged lease contract set forth in the Bill of Complaint. Respondent further disclaims any liability for the indebtedness incurred in and to the property, the subject matter of this suit.

Now having fully answered the Bill of Complaint, the Respondent prays that he may have judgment or decree discharging him from any and all liability on the basis of this his disclaimer, and that the Respondent may go hence with his cost in this behalf expended.

Attorney for Respondent

# CECIL G. CHASON ATTORNEY AT LAW FOLEY, ALABAMA

February 26, 1957

Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Register Bay Minette, Alabama

Re: C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. Charles A. Ruffles, Complainants, -vs- Golden Slipper Drive-In, a Limited Partnership, et al, Respondents.

Dear Mrs. Duck:

I am enclosing herewith a Motion for Decree Pro Confesso and a Decree Pro Confesso on Service by Publication against Golden Slipper Drive-In, a Limited Partnership, and against A. L.McCue, Individually, and as President of Golden Slipper Drive In, a limited partnership.

Yours very truly,

C. Phason

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# CECIL G. CHASON ATTORNEY AT LAW

FOLEY, ALABAMA

July 18, 1955

Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Register Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Enclosed herewith is original of a Bill of Complaint and Affidavit in the suit of Ruffles -vs- McQue, et al.

I have been informed by Messrs. Bailey and Rickarby that they will file acceptance of service for each of the other Respondents, therefore, am sending the other copies to them.

I have authorized Publication of the Notice in the Foley Onlooker. Another copy of the Notice is enclosed and as you know, it is supposed to be placed on the front door of the Courthouse, if it can be located at this time.

Yours very truly,

C. C. Chalson

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# AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

I, Coult Howell
Office Manage of The Onlooker, published at
Foley, Ala., do solemnly swear that a copy of the above notice,
as per clipping attached, was published once each week in the
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ATTORNEY AT LAW FOLEY, ALABAMA

February 26, 1957

Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Register Bay Minette, Alabama

Re: C. A. Ruffles, et al -vs- Golden Slipper Drive-Inn, et al

Dear Mrs. Duck:

I am enclosing herewith the following:-

Satisfaction of Lien and disclaimer of Garland Stephens.

Satisfaction of Lien and disclaimer of Claude W. Arnold.

Disclaimer of Adair W. McCue.

Disclaimer of Stapleton and Stapleton.

Disclaimer of Pritchard Glass Company.

A Decree Pro Confesso has alreday been rendered against the remaining Respondents.

I am also enclosing Commission to take Deposition of C. A. Ruffles, Note of Testimony, Deposition of C. A. Ruffles and suggested Final Decree for Judge Hall's signature. Please submit to Judge Hall.

Yours very truly

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July 23, 1955

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

Dear Mrs. Duck:

In Re: Ruffles

Golden Slipper Drive Inn

With this we are handing you answer of Claude W. Arnold in the above mentioned cause.

Please file and oblige.

Carbon copy of this letter together with a copy of the answer has been this day mailed to Cecil Chason, Esq., solicitor for complainant, in Foley.

Yours very truly,

EGR/rl c/c Cecil Chason Encl.

# THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

C. A. RUFFLES and MRS. CHAS. A. RUFFLES, Complainant S

GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE INN, a limited partner—Respondent S ship, et al,

I, Frances G. Mallory

as Register and Commissioner in Chancery

have called and caused to come before me C. A. Ruffles

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

195.7—, at the office of C. G. Chason

in Foley , Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said C. A. Ruffles

\_\_\_\_ doth depose and say as follows:

That his name is C. A. Ruffles; that he is over the age of twenty-one years and a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama; that he and Mrs. Chas. A. Ruffles, his wife, are the Complainants in a proceeding against Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, A. L. McCue, Adair W. McCue, Stapleton and Stapleton, a partnership, Pritchard Glass Company, a corporation, Garland Stephens and Fairhope Title and Survey Company; that these Respondents are either corporate entireties or individuals over the age of twenty-one years, and that personal service was had upon all except Golden Slipper Drive Inn and A. L. McCue; that there is no record in the Probate Office of Baldwin County, Alabama, of a limited partnership known as Golden Slipper Drive Inn, however, a contract and agreement was entered into between the Complainants herein and Golden Slipper Drive Inn, as a limited partnership, executed by A. L. McCue, as President; that service was perfected on the said Golden Slipper Drive Inn by Publication, and A. L. McCue, being a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and his residence and Post Office address being unknown, and not being ascertainable, service was also effected on him by Publication.

The Complainant, C. A. Ruffles, is the owner in fee simple of the real estate in Baldwin County, Alabama, described as follows, viz:- Lot 19, of Block 16, in the Volanta Addition to the Town of Fairhope, as shown on a plat of record in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama; that Complainants, C. A. Ruffles and wife, entered into a lease and agreement on the 21st day of April, 1955, with A. L. McCue, who signed in the following manner, "Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, by A. L. McCue, President". A copy of this lease and agreement was attached to the original Bill of Complaint, marked "Exhibit A", and made a part thereof. Complainant C. A. Ruffles demanded of A. L. McCue the names of the members of the partnership at the time of the execution of the lease and agreement, and was informed by the said A. L. McCue that the partnership was the composition of, or to be composed of, he and his wife, Adair W. McCue, and on this information and statement, Complainants executed the contract.

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the lease and agreement, the Respondent, A. L. McCue, entered into certain agreements with other persons, firms or corporations and had certain work done, and materials furnished to the property. Certain of these firms and persons whoevere made party respondents to this cause, in addition to Golden Slipper Drive Inn, A. L. McCue and Adair W. McCue, have filed claims or liens for amounts due and unpaid for work and labor done and materials furnished on the property. These firms, who were Pritchard Glass Company, Garland Stephens, Fairhope Title and Survey Company, Stapleton and Stapleton, have all been paid in full by the Complainants, although payment had not been made prior to the institution of this suit. Complainants further show to the Court that in the latter part of May, 1955, which was more than 30 days before the institution of this action, A. L. McCue, and therefore, Golden Slipper Drive Inn, abandoned the property, and for more than

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two (2) months had paid no rental, as was provided in the lease and agreement. Adair W. McCue has denied any connection with the said property or with the partnership, and has verbally and in writing disclaimed any connection with the lease, nor has any other person, firm or corporation, come forward to claim possession or tender payment under their name, or as a result of any interest in Golden Slipper Drive Inn.

Complainants in the suit have asked for the following relief which is believed to be proper:

- l. That the lease and agreement, made "Exhibit A" to the Bill of Complaint, be declared forfeited, null and void and of a force and effect, and that Complainants be declared as having an unqualified right of possession against Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a limited partnership, or any members or partners thereof, if any, and against A. L. McCue, and the Complainants be declared owners of all improvements on said property, whether attached thereto or not.
- 2. That payment has been made of all the liens and claims filed against said property, and that, therefore, they be declared cancelled.
- 3. That in order to obtain partial redress from the expenditures made necessary by the payment of liens and claims, that Complainants be allowed to sell and dispose of any property on the premises.

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GOLDEN SLIPPER DRIVE INN, a limited partnership, et al,

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Limited Partnership, and A. L. McCue, individually and as President

of the Golden Slipper Drive Inn, a Limited partnership, and

Testimony of C. A. Ruffles

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GARLAND STEPHENS, and

FAIRHOPE TITLE AND SURVEY COMPANY,

Respondents.

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#### FINAL DECREE

This cause coming on to be heard, was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on Service by Publication against Golden Slipper Drive-Inn, a Limited partnership, and against A. L. McCue, individually and as President of Golden Slipper Drive-Inn, a Limited Partnership, on disclaimers by the remaining Respondents, Adair W. McCue, Stapleton and Stapleton, a partnership, Pritchard Glass Company, a corporation, Garland Stephens and Fairhope Title and Survey Company, and on Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainants are entitled to the relief prayed for in said Bill.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the Lease and Agreement, dated April 21, 1955, by and between C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. Charles A. Ruffles, his wife, and Golden Slipper Drive-Inn, a Limited partnership, which is shown as Exhibit "A" to the Bill of Complaint, be and it is hereby declared forfeited, null, void and of no force and effect.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Complainants, C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. Charles A. Ruffles, have an unqualified right of possession as against Golden Slipper Drive-Inn, a Limited Partnership, and any and all members or

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partners thereof, and against A. L. McCue, individually, and Complainants are hereby declared to be the owners of all improvements on the said property, whether attached thereto or not

AND IT FURTHER HAVING BEEN MADE TO APPEAR to the satisfaction of the Court that the Respondent, A. L. McCue, entered into certain agreements for work, labor or materials with Stapleton and Stapleton, a partnership, Pritchard Glass Company, a corporation, Garland Stephens and Fairhope Title and Survey Company, all of whom had or claimed liens upon the property,

AND IT FURTHER HAVING BEEN MADE TO APPEAR to the satisfaction of the Court that all sums due to the persons, firms or corporations have been paid by the Complainants,

IT IS THEREFORE FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the claims or liens of Stapleton and Stapleton, a partnership, Pritchard Glass Company, a corporation, Garland Stephens and Fahirhope Title and Survey Company, have been satisfied and discharged, and are therefore declared cancelled.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that any proper ty of Golden Slipper Drive-Inn, a Limited Partnership, or A. L. McCue, located on the premises may be sold by the Complainants, in order that they may obtain partial redress from the expenditures made necessary by the payment of liens and claims contract ed for by the Respondent, A. L. McCue.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the Complainants, C. A. Ruffles and Mrs. Charles A. Ruffles, pay the Cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

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Circuit Judge, Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit, In Equity Sitting

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the following lands in Baldwin

County, Alabama:

Begin at the southeast corner of the northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 5 South, Range 3 East and run thence westwardly along the quarter section line 50 feet to a point on the west line of the right-of-way of the L & N Railroad; run thence north 27 degrees 37 minutes west along the west line of said right-of-way 1032 feet, more or less, to a point which is 912 feet due north of the south line of the said northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 5 South, Range 3 East for a point of beginning, at which point there is an iron fence post; from said point of beginning run due west along the north line of property heretofore transferred to Emery A. Racine 150.3 feet to a point; thence run due north along the east line of property heretofore transferred to Charles N. Taylor and wife 25 feet to a point; thence run due west along the north line of said property heretofore transferred to Taylor 150 feet to a point on the east side of U.S. Highway No. 90; thence run northwardly along the curve of the east line of said Highway to a point which is 194 feet from the preceding point, measured along a straight line; thence run north 81 degrees 30 minutes east 200 feet to a point on the west line of the right-of-way of the L & N Railroad; thence run south 27 degrees 37 minutes east along the west side of said rightof-way 275.2 feet to the point of beginning, all as per plat of survey made by Claude W. Arnold, dated June 27, 1955, revised May 12, 1956, and recorded in Map Book 4, page 218 of the records in the office of the Judge of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama;

And against the above mentioned C. M. Seever and his heirs or devisees, if deceased; Lizzie Ward Seever and her heirs or devisees, if deceased; the directors, stockholders and successors of Sanford Orchards Company, Inc., a dissolved corporation; and all unknown parties claiming any title thereto, or interest therein, or lien or encumbrances upon said lands or any part thereof. Complainant in said bill of complaint claims title to said lands in its own right, in fee simple, and complainant prays therein that the Court will decree that C. M. Seever and his heirs or devisees, if deceased. Lizzie Ward Seever, and her heirs or devisees, if deceased, the directors, stockholders and successors Sanford Orchards Company, Inc., and those made respondents as unknown parties have no title to, interest in, or lien or encumbrance upon said lands and that the Court wil lestablish complainant's title thereto and clear up all doubts and disputes concerning the

Complainant claims title to said lands under and by virtue of a deed from Ary VanBendegom and Saberey V. VanBendegom to complainant, dated July 12, 1955 and recorded in Deed Book 223, page 366 of the records in the office of the Judge of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama; correction deed from said VanBendegoms to complainant dated February 20, 1956 and recorded in Deed Book 237, page 391 of said records; adverse possession by Ary VanBendegom of said property from September 20, 1944 to July 12, 1955; and deed from Fred L. Sanford and Carrie Sanford to Ary VanBendegom, dated September 20, 1944 and recorded in Deed Book 86, page 193 of said records. Complainant alleges that it knows of no one who has paid taxes on said lands or who has been in possession of the same or any part

holders and successors of Sanford Orchards Company, Inc., and any

WITNESS my hand this the 7th

Alice J. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin

County, Alabama. Caffey, Gallalee & Caffey, Solicitors for Complainant.



E. R. MORRISSETTE, JR. EDITOR-MANAGER

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