

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

Your Petitioner, JOSEPHINE KIRKLAND, respectfully represents unto  
your Honor;

1. That she is a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and  
over twenty-one years of age;
2. That she is the Mother of Robert Otho Kirkland, a minor, over  
eighteen years of age, and who resides with your Petitioner;
3. That said Robert Otho Kirkland has no general guardian, and that he  
is entitled to certain property in his own right, and that it would be to  
the interest of said Robert Otho Kirkland to have his disability of non age  
removed.
4. That the said Robert Otho Kirkland is sober and industrious, and  
possessed of sound judgement for his years.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays that the said Robert Otho Kirkland  
may be relieved of his disability of non age, and that he be vested with  
power to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and to take pos-  
session of and convey real and personal property as if he was twenty-one  
years of age.

Josephine Kirkland

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 9 day of  
November, 1944.

W. H. Lee  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Ala.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, Wm Schuttz, a Notary Public,

in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_

John J. Lewis, who is known to me and who having been before  
me first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is personally acquainted with

Robert Otho Kirkland, who is a resident of Foley, in Baldwin County, Alabama,  
and over eighteen years of age; that he resides with his Mother, Josephine  
Kirkland; that he has known the said Robert Otho Kirkland for the past  
17 years, and that the said Robert Otho Kirkland is sober, industrious  
and possessed of sound judgement, and is fully capable of managing his own  
affairs.

John J. Lewis

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 20th day of  
November, 1944.

Wm Schuttz  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, Ann Schultz, a Notary Public,

in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_

J. B. Childress, who is known to me and who having been before  
me first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is personally acquainted with  
Robert Otho Kirkland, who is a resident of Foley, in Baldwin County, Alabama,  
and over eighteen years of age; that he resides with his Mother, Josephine  
Kirkland; that he has known the said Robert Otho Kirkland for the past  
15 years, and that the said Robert Otho Kirkland is sober, industrious  
and possessed of sound judgement, and is fully capable of managing his own  
affairs.

J. B. Childress

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 20th day of

November, 1944.

Ann Schultz  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, Geo. Schultz, a Notary Public,  
in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared E. Frank  
Sanders, who is known to me and who having been before  
me first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is personally acquainted with  
Robert Otho Kirkland, who is a resident of Foley, in Baldwin County, Alabama,  
and over eighteen years of age; that he resides with his Mother, Josephine  
Kirkland; that he has known the said Robert Otho Kirkland for the past  
17 years, and that the said Robert Otho Kirkland is sober, industrious  
and possessed of sound judgement, and is fully capable of managing his own  
affairs.

E. Frank Sanders

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 10th day of  
November, 1944.

Geo. Schultz  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

EX PARTE

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

ROBERT OTHO KIRKLAND

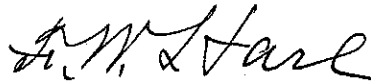
This cause coming to be heard is submitted upon the petition of Josephine Kirkland, the mother of Robert Otho Kirkland, a minor over 18 years of age, for the removal of his disability of non age.

The Court, after a consideration of the matters alleged in the petition and the evidence in support thereof, is of the opinion that the petition should be granted and the disability of non age of the said Robert Otho Kirkland removed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that Robert Otho Kirkland, a minor, who is over the age of 18 years, be, and he is relieved of the disabilities of non age, and he is vested with the power to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, to receive and take possession of any real and personal property to which he is entitled; to purchase real or personal estate, to sell and to convey, and to do all things and to all intent and purposes as effectually as if he were 21 years of age.

IT IS FURTHER DECREED that the said Josephine Kirkland pay the cost of this proceeding for which execution may issue.

Done this the 13 day of Feb, <sup>1945</sup>~~1944~~.



Judge, 21st Judicial Circuit of Alabama.

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**EX PARTE**

**ROBERT OTHO KIRKLAND**

**Decree relieving  
disability of non age.**

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