

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH, Complainant

vs.

PELLIS STALLWORTH, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~DECEED PROX. CAUSE~~ on Answer and Waiver and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in said bill.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved, and that the said ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH is forever divorced from the said PELLIS STALLWORTH for and on account of

C R U E L T Y

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said appeal.

It is further ordered that the Complainant and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH, the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 8th day of February, 1949.

Jessie J. Masbury, Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.

I, ALICE J. DUCK Register of the Circuit

Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original decree rendered by the Judge of the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said decree is on file and enrolled in my office.

Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 1949.

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

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ALICE J. DUCK, Clerk

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint,

Testimony of Complainant, Anna Eliza Stallworth,Duquille Murph and Hattie Winston

and in behalf of Defendant upon

*Rickards.**Wm. J. Alcock*

Register.

No.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

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NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 8th

day of February, 1949

Willie J. Smith
Register.

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TO THE HONORABLE TELFAIR J. MASHEBURN, Jr.,
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA:

Comes ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH and by this her Bill of
Complaint presented against Pellis Stallworth respectfully shows:

FIRST: That Complainant and Defendant are both over
the age of twenty-one years, that Complainant is now and has
been for the past seven years a bona fide resident citizen of
Baldwin County, Alabama.

SECOND: That Complainant and Defendant were married
on May 10th, 1946 and lived together as husband and wife up
to March 3rd, 1948, when she left him because of his cruel
treatment.

THIRD: That commencing a short time after the
marriage, Defendant began to treat Complainant cruelly, criticizing
her without cause and when irritated with her, as he frequently
was, striking her. This mistreatment grew worse and worse
and after the first of the year 1948, when he commenced drinking,
his mistreatment became unbearable and when in the latter part
of February, 1948, he struck her so violently with his fist as to
bruise her face and give her a bad black eye, she left him and
went to her mother's home, telling her people for the first time
of the treatment she had been receiving. Shortly after that
she left her husband for good, fearing from his previous behavior
that he would again do her great bodily harm, or perhaps take
her life, and she has lived separate and apart from him ever
since with her parents in Fairhope and without resumption of
marital relations. Fortunately, no children were born to this
marriage.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that Pellis
Stallworth be made party defendant to this cause, and by proper
process required to answer this Bill within the time prescribed
by law.

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

Russell & Russell

Solicitors for Complainant.

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ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH,
Complainant

-VS-

PELLIS STALLWORTH,
Defendant

BILL OF COMPLAINT

Filed 2-8-49
Alice J. Smith
Registrar

RICKARBY & RICKARBY,
Solicitors for Complainant

ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH,
Complainant

-vs-

PELLIS STALLWORTH,
Respondent

No. _____

E Q U I T Y

CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Comes Pellis Stallworth, Respondent in the above styled cause, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint says he denies each allegation of same.

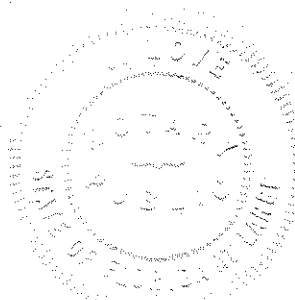
Respondent hereby waives notice of demand for oral examination of Complainant's witnesses; of the issue of commission to take testimony; of the time and place set for taking same and of the right to introduce evidence in his own behalf. He further agrees that this cause may be submitted for final decree at any time on the pleading and Complainant's evidence as noted by the Register.

J. W. Barrington Sr.
WITNESS
J. Love
WITNESS

Pellis Stallworth
Respondent.

Before me, the undersigned Notary, personally appeared Pellis Stallworth who is known to me to be the Respondent above named and who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing answer voluntarily with knowledge of its contents.

Witness my hand and official seal this the 20th day of January, 1949.



J. Love
Notary Public, Escambia County, Florida.
My Commission Expires Apr. 17, 1951

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J. Wick
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ELLIOTT G. RICKARBY

LAW OFFICES

RICKARBY & RICKARBY
FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

E. G. RICKARBY, JR.

February 7, 1949

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

Dear Mrs. Duck:

ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH -vs- PELLIS
STALLWORTH: With this final Bill, Answer
and Waiver and firm check in your favor
for \$12.00 for costs in this cause, also
decree and blanks for copies. Testimony
has reach you under separate cover.
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Please make note of evidence and
submit at your early convenience.

Very truly yours,

Elliott G. Rickarby

for:
RICKARBY & RICKARBY

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA }
Baldwin County }

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,
(In Equity)

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vs.

PELLIS STALLWORTH,

RESPONDENT

I, RHODA L. ALLEN

as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner by agreement of parties

have called and caused to come before me ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH, DEQUILLA

MURFF and HATTIE WINSTON

witness ^{es} named in the requirement for Oral Examination, on the 25th day of January,

1949, at the office of Rickarby & Rickarby

in Fairhope, Alabama, and having first sworn said witness ^{es} to speak the

truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Anna Eliza Stallworth,

Dequilla Murff & Hattie Winston doth depose and say as follows:

ANNA ELIZA STALLWORTH

I am the Complainant in this cause and, like the Respondent, over the age of twenty-one years. For the past seven years I have been a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama.

On May 10th, 1946 I married Pellis Stallworth and we lived together as husband and wife up to March 3rd, 1948. Our married life was not a happy one. He was very ugly, unreasonable and cruel to me and struck me on a number of occasions. Shortly before I left him, he struck me violently in the face with his fist and gave me a bad blackeye. I came at once over to my mother's home and since that time have lived separate and apart from my husband, whom, I am confident, would do me serious bodily harm if I continued to live with him. He started drinking in the first part of the year 1948 and when intoxicated, he is mean and dangerous.

Anna Eliza Stallworth

DEQUILLA MURF.

I am the mother of Complainant and live in Fairhope. My daughter's husband, Pellis Stallworth, was mean and cruel to her but she tried to keep me from know knowing how badly he was doing her till one day in the last part of February, 1948 she came to my home with her face swollen and discolored and a very bad black eye which she said he had given her the day before. Her face was livid and showed the effects of a severe blow. A few days later she left him and has lived with me ever since. Only then did I learn how badly he had been treating her.

Dequilla Murff

I, RHODA L. ALLEN as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness es and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself and ELLIOTT G. RICKARBY at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness es or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness es; 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 25th day of January, 1949.

Rhoda L. Allen (L. S.)
Commissioner by agreement of parties.

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