

The State of Alabama)
Baldwin County)

In the Circuit Court of
Baldwin County, Ala.
In Equity.

Virginia Ruth Day Deht,
Complainant.

Vs.

Charles Cecil Emmett Dent,
Respondent

Comes the above named Respondant, Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, and hereby accepts service of a copy of the original bill of complaint filed in this cause, and waives any furhter service of notice or time.

Respondent specifically waives notice of the issuance of a commission to take testimony and agrees that the same may be issued forthwith and that testimony may be taken in this cause without further notice to him.

Respondent further waives further notice and agrees that said cause may be submitted for final decree at any time without notice to him.

Dated this the 27 day of May, 1949.

Charles Cecil Emmett Dent.
Respondent.

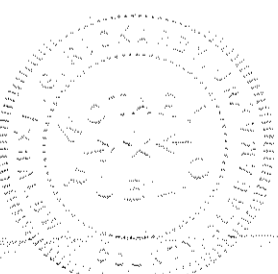
The State of Alabama)
Baldwin County)

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, whose name is signed to the foregoing acceptande and waiver of service, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the foregoing waiver and acceptance of service, he executed and signed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand on this the 27 day of May, 1949.

E. S. [Signature]
Notary Public.

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CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT



The State of Alabama)
Baldwin County)

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA: GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon Charles Cecil Emmett Dent to appear and plead, answer or demurr, within thirty days from the service hereof to the bill of complaint filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity by Virginia Ruth Day Dent, as Complainant, and against the said Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, as Respondent.

Witness my hand this the 27th day of May, 1949.

Register.

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Virginia Ruth Day Dent,)	In the Circuit Court of
Complainant)	Baldwin County, Alabama.
Vs.)	
Charles Cecil Emmett Dent)	In Equity.
Respondent)	

To The Honorable Telfair Mashburn, Judge of said Court:

Your complainant, Virginia Ruth Day Dent, would respectfully show unto your Honor that she is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been such resident for more than three years next preceding the filing of this bill of complaint. That she is over the age of twenty one years. That the respondent, Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, is over the age of twenty one years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

That complainant and respondent were legally married on December 27, 1945 in Baldwin County, Alabama, and lived together as man and wife until to-wit, May 23, 1948. That no children were born of such marriage.

~~That on to-wit, May 23, 1948, more than one year prior to~~
free will and without fault on the part of the complainant, the respondent of his own abandoned complainant, and that the parties to this cause have not since such separation lived together, nor has respondent contributed to the support of the complainant.

Premises considered, your complainant prays that a summons be issued directed against and to the said Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, requiring him to appear and plead, answer or demurr to this bill of complaint within the time allowed by law, and that upon a final hearing your honor will grant to complainant a decree of absolute divorce from said Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, and that such other or further relief may be granted to complainant as your honor may deem proper.

Solicitor for Complainant.

Virginia Ruth Day Dent, one of the witnesses named in the commission hereto attached, being called and sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says as follows:

My name is Virginia Ruth Day Dent, I am over the age of twenty one years. I have lived in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the town of Fairhope for the past five years, and am living there now. I am the complainant in the case pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in equity, entitled Virginia Ruth Day Dent, Complainant Vs. Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, Respondent. Charles Cecil Emmett Dent is over the age of twenty one years and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. Charles Cecil Emmett Dent and I were married in Baldwin County on December 27, 1945. We lived together as man and wife, in Fairhope, Alabama, until May 23, 1948, except for the time my husband was away attending college at Auburn, Alabama. No children were ever born to us, nor have we ever adopted any children.

On May 23, 1948, Charles left me at my home or rather our home and we have not lived together since that time. I can give no reasonable excuse for his leaving me except that I just refused to support him any more. He would not work nor hold a job. I worked all during our married life and supported myself. He never contributed one cent to my support, on the contrary, I gave him money from time to time, that I had earned. I was and am employed in the office of the Riviera Utilities Company, at Fairhope. When he left me, I went to live with my Aunt, Mrs. Lillie Garrick, #109 Fairhope, Avenue, Fairhope, Alabama. I have lived with her all the time since Charles deserted me, and I still live with her. Charles took five hundred dollars which I had inherited from my father's estate and bought a trailer. He sold this trailer without my knowledge or consent and has not given me one cent of the money he received for it. I gave him no excuse for leaving me nor did he assign any for his action. No I do not care to live with him again. He is just no good and there is no use for me to try and make anything out of him.

Virginia Ruth Day Dent

Mrs. Lilly Garrick, one of the witnesses named in the commission hereto attached, being called, cautioned to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Lilly Garrick. I am the aunt of Virginia Dent, she is my sister's child. She has lived with me since May 23, 1949 when her husband deserted her. I know Charles Dent her husband. He is no good. He absolutely refuses to work and earn a living. He is strong, healthy and able bodied and I know of no reason why he cannot work and earn a living like any other man. I have heard him ask Virginia for money and have seen him take what she would give him. Virginia worked all during her married life at the Riviera Utilities Company and supported herself and kept him up. Virginia is a good girl and tried hard to make her marriage a success. I know she never gave him any excuse for treating her like he did.

Lilly Garrick

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Mrs. Marie McCartney, a witness named in the commission hereto attached, being called, sworn to speak the truth deposes and says:

My name is Marie McCartney, I am over the age of twenty one years. I am employed by the Riveria Utilities Company in Fairhope, Alabama. I work in the office with Virginia Dent. I have known her for a long time. Virginia is a good girl and works every day. I know her husband Charles Dent. I have known them both intimately in their home, and Virginia at the office. Charles never worked in his life. I have seen him come to the office and ask Virginia for money. I have seen her give it to him. I have seen him come to the office looking for Virginia and found her out temporarily and I have heard ~~her~~ make "smart cracks" in her absence to other men about the place about their working, and tell them they ought to have "a wife like I got then you would not have to work." I remember when he and Virginia separated. I know she has not lived with him since that time, she has lived with her Aunt all the time since they separated.

Marie McCartney

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

Virginia Ruth Day Dent Complainant.

VS.

Charles Cecil Emmett Dent Respondent.

I Carolyn Bishop

as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me ~~Virginia Ruth Day Dent, Lilly Garrick,~~
~~and Marie McCartney~~

witness ~~es~~ named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the day of ~~May~~, 1949
192....., at the office of ~~H. A. Burns~~

in ~~Fairhope~~, Alabama, and having first sworn said witness ~~es~~ to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said

~~witnesses~~ doth depose and say as follows:

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Carolyn Bishop....., as ~~Registered~~ Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition S 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

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witnesses..... 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 27 day of May..... 1949..

Carolyn Bishop..... (L. S.)
Commissioner.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Virginia Ruth Day
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vs. Complainant

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Oral Deposition

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit Court

To Carolyn Bishop

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 Virginia Ruth Day Dent,

Lilly Garrick and Marie McCaskey

as witnesses in behalf of Complainant in a cause pending in our

Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Virginia Ruth Day Dent, is

Complainant—

and Charles Cecil Emmett Dent, is

Respondent

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

Witness 27 day of May, 1949

W. J. Welch

Register

Commissioner's Fee, \$

Witness' Fees, \$

No. 2296

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

VS. Complainant

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

WITNESSES:

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register

Virginia Ruth Day Dent

vs.

Charles Cecil Emmett Dent

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,

~~Acceptance of service and waiver of respondent, and testimony~~
~~of Complainant, and witnesses, Lily Garrick and Marie McCartney~~

and in behalf of Defendant upon

W. B. Sumner
Sol. for Comp.

Archie Duck

Register.

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IN EQUITY
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NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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day of May, 1949

Alice J. Duck
Register.

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Virginia Ruth Day Dent, Complainant

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This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on 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 Virginia Ruth Day Dent is forever divorced from the said Charles Cecil Emmett Dent for and on account of the voluntary abandonment of complainant by the defendant or respondent for more than one year next preceed ing the filing of the bill in this cause.

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 Virginia Ruth Day Dent the complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 27th day of May, 1949.

Jessie J. Madley
Judge Circuit Court, In Equity

I, Alice 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 the _____ day
of May, 1949

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