

In Re

LENORA FAY GRASS,

Minor

CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

STATE OF ALABAMA:

COUNTY OF BALDWIN:

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared this day Ira Calloway, who being first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

I am a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, Thirty-nine years of age and at present employed by the Grand Hotel at Point Clear.

I have known Lenora Fay Grass practically all of her life as I formerly lived at Oyster Bay where she lived during her father's lifetime. She is nineteen years of age, quick and intelligent, did well at school and has been steadily employed in the city of Mobile for the past ten months.

I do not hesitate to say that she is capable of looking after her affairs and it would be to her interest to have the right to do so as if she were of age.

Ira R. Calloway

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951.

Elliot B. Rieley

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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COUNTY OF BALDWIN:

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared this day, Charles Grass, who being first duly sworn, deposes as follows:

I am a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, Thirty-seven years of age and employed as a mechanic by the Klumpp Motor Company of Fairhope.

I am a brother of the Late Emil C. Grass and have been acquainted with Lenora Fay Grass all of her life, she being the daughter of my deceased brother. She is a girl well above average intelligence, did well at school and graduated from the Foley High School with honors including a scholarship. She is now employed as a stenographer by the Mobile City Lines, the Corporation operating the bus system of that city and has held that position since January 1951. She is a girl of steady, industrious habits and in my opinion well able to look after her own affairs and has been self-supporting since the beginning of this year.

My brother died without leaving a will and among his property was a fishing schooner, the RAY ANNA, which it is to the interest of the widow and their only child, Lenora Fay, to sell and convey title. Under the National Navigation Laws of the United States, both of the owners of the boat must join in the bill of sale and I am clearly of the opinion that it would be to the interest of both the mother and the minor to have this authority.

Charles Grass

Subscribed and sworn before me this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951.

Elliot B. Givens

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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TO THE

HONORABLE TELFAIR J. MASHBURN, JR., JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

The petition of LULA F. GRASS, a resident of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, respectfully shows that she is the mother of LENORA FAY GRASS, a minor daughter over the age of nineteen years who resides with petitioner in Fairhope; that said minor is for her age of mature judgment and of sober and industrious habits and is at present employed as a secretary since January 1951 in the office of the Mobile City Lines in the city of Mobile. Said minor with petitioner, is the next of kin and sole heir to the estate of Emil Charles Grass, now deceased and as such, a one-half owner of the RAY ANNA, a fishing boat and now in the waters of Baldwin County and which it is to the interest of said minor and petitioner to sell for the price of Four Hundred Fifty Dollars, but to make title to said boat as required by the Federal Navigation Laws, will require the execution of a contract by the owners; hence it is to the interest of the minor to remove the disabilities of non-age in order to convey title to said vessel.

WHEREFORE Petitioner prays that Your Honor hear and determine the matter of this petition and render a decree removing the disabilities arising from the minority and non-age of said minor and that she may be vested with the right to perform all acts which she could lawfully do on attaining the age of twenty-one years.

Lula F. Grass  
Petitioner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 15th day of November, 1951.

Elliott H. Rice  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.  
State of Alabama at Large.

STATE OF ALABAMA:

COUNTY OF MOBILE:

I, Lenora Fay Grass, the minor named in the foregoing petition, hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of said petition and join in the prayer thereof.

Witness my hand on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951.

Lenora Fay Grass

Executed before me this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1951.

Blanche B. Pinckney

Notary Public, State of Alabama at Large.  
County, Alabama.

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PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF DIS-  
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RICKARBY & RICKARBY  
Solicitors

STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

LENORA FAY GRASS, a Minor,  
vs.  
The State of Texas,  
Respondent.

Whereas the State of Texas is the Respondent in the within-entitled cause;

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LAW OFFICES

ELLIOTT G. RICKARBY

RICKARBY & RICKARBY  
FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

E. G. RICKARBY, JR.

20 November 1951

Mrs. Alice J. Duck  
Register  
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Duck:

LENORA FAY GRASS, Minor: With this we send you papers in another phase of the Grass case but not effecting any of the "belligerents" in the matter that has been before the Court so frequently of late. It is a petition filed by the mother of quite an attractive young girl, the daughter of Andrew's late brother, to have her disabilities of non-age removed.

With this petition you will find affidavits of Ira Calloway and Charles Grass and also a form for the decree which I copied from one drawn by one of the ablest Circuit Judges in Alabama later on the Supreme Court, Judge A. D. Sayre, in the case of Boykin vs. Collins, 140 Alabama, 407 and upheld by the Supreme Court in this case.

We have written Judge Mashburn about this suggesting that as the only matter in which the minor's interest is involved is a one-half interest in \$450 to be paid for a boat belonging to her late father and as she is employed in Mobile and would like to avoid losing time from her work, it may be that he would feel justified in dispensing with his usually wise provision of wanting to interview the minor in person. This would mean that I would have to bring her up and lose a half day. I happen to know the young lady and can endorse what the two affidavits say about her. Incidentally, she is not hard on the eye.

When the decree is signed send it down to me with the bill, *also  
certified copy.*

Sincerely,

*Elliott G. Rickarby*  
for  
RICKARBY & RICKARBY

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

This cause coming on to be heard this day upon the petition of LULA F. GRASS for the removal of the disabilities of non-age of her daughter, LENORA FAY GRASS, to whom notice of the filing of this petition has been given and it appearing that the said minor has received a copy of the petition and joins in the prayer of same and it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court from an inspection of the petition in the cause and from the affidavits of Ira Calloway and Charles Grass filed herein that it will be to the interest of the said Lenora Fay Grass to be relieved of the disabilities of non-age and that she is over the age of eighteen years and of discreet and mature judgment and competent to manage her own property and business.

It is Therefore ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the disabilities of non-age of the said Lenora Fay Grass be and the same are hereby removed so as to invest her with the right to sue or be sued, contract or be contracted, either to buy, sell or convey real estate, and to generally do and perform all acts which said minor could lawfully do if twenty-one years of age.

Done at Bay Minette, Alabama, this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 1951.

*Jeffair J. Middleberry, Jr.*  
Judge.

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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NOTICE OF THE COURT

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF

LENORA FAY GRASS, DECEASED

AND HER ESTATE

THAT THE COURT HAS ORDERED THAT

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF

LENORA FAY GRASS, DECEASED

SHOULD APPEAR IN COURT ON

THE 21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1951

AT 10 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON

IN COURT ROOM NO. 10

OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

TO PRESENT AND DEFEND THEIR RESPECTIVE CLAIMS

AND TO TAKE SUCH OTHER ACTION AS MAY BE REQUIRED

BY THE COURT IN THE PREMISES

AND TO SIGN SUCH INSTRUMENTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED

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AND TO TAKE SUCH OTHER ACTION AS MAY BE REQUIRED

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