

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON

Complainant

vs.

GRADY EDMONDSON

Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso 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

NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON

is forever divorced from the

said GRADY EDMONDSON

for and on account of

Voluntary abandonment. Complainant granted the

right to resume her former name, namely, NAN ABNEY.

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 payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON

the Complainant

pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issue.

This 24 day of January 1958

Hubert M. Hall  
Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

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BALDWIN COUNTY**

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**DIVORCE DECREE**



BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

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Respondent.

## W A I V E R

Comes GRADY EDMONDSON, 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.

Respondent 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.

Grady Edmondson  
GRADY EDMONDSON, Respondent.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY.

I, HENRY C. Davidson, a Notary Public in and for said State and County hereby certify that GRADY EDMONDSON whose name is signed to the foregoing instrument, is known to me, acknowledged before me on this date, that being informed of the contents of said instrument, he signed the same voluntarily on the day same bears date.

Witness my hand and seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1958.

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Ala.

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W A I V E R

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

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JAN 22 1958

ALICE L. DICK, Register

NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON,

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-VS-

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
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TESTIMONY OF KATHRINE SHAW, a WITNESS on BEHALF of COMPLAINANT:

KATHRINE SHAW, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

My name is KATHRINE SHAW and I know MRS. NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON and her husband, MR. GRADY EDMONDSON. I have been knowing Mr. EDMONDSON since 1950 when I came to Baldwin County and met Mrs. EDMONDSON shortly after they were married; which was sometime in 1951. She and he operated a little store down at Mullet Point up until about the middle of June, 1956. In 1955 or the first part of 1956 they sold the store at Mullet Point and bought one at Point Clear. This was in Baldwin County, Alabama.

Both MR & MRS. EDMONDSON are over the age of twenty-one years and have been life long residence of Baldwin County and are still living here in Baldwin County. I further know that in or about June of 1956 they separated and have been living separate and apart.

MRS. EDMONDSON is a very good friend of mine and I see her about every day and when they separated she told me about it and I knew about her making separate arrangements for her lodging and etc.

I knew both parties rather well and it appeared to me that MRS. EDMONDSON was a dutiful wife and gave MR. EDMONDSON no reason for abandoning her. There are no children born to this marriage.

Kathrine Shaw

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of

January, 1958.

Nadine R. Klump  
Commissioner

No. 4212

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TESTIMONY

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ALICE A. BUCK, Register

NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON,	I	
Complainant,	I	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
-VS-	I	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
GRADY EDMONDSON,	I	IN EQUITY.
Respondent.	I	

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

Comes NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON, by this her Bill of Complaint presented against GRADY EDMONDSON, and respectfully shows:

FIRST: That the Complainant and Respondent are both over the age of twenty-one years and both are now, and have been for three years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint bona fide residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, both residing in the City of Fairhope.

SECOND: Complainant and Defendant were married on, or about, the 12th day of April, 1951, in Leaksville, Mississippi, and have lived together as husband and wife until about the 1st day of June 1956.

THIRD: That on, or about, the 1st day of June, 1956, the Defendant, without just cause or legal excuse, voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of his wife, this Complainant.

FOURTH: There are no children born to this marriage.

FIFTH: Complainant and Respondent have agreed to settle their financial problems of this marriage between themselves.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that GRADY EDMONDSON be made party defendant to this cause, and by proper process required to plead, answer, or demur within the time prescribed by law.

Complainant further prays that upon final hearing of this cause, a Decree of Divorce from the bonds of matrimony be rendered, forever divorcing her from the said GRADY EDMONDSON and the right to resume her former name, namely, NAN ABNEY, and such other different or further relief as to Equity may seem meet.

  
E. G. RICKABY,  
Solicitor for Complainant.

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NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON,

Complainant,

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Respondent.

BILL OF COMPLAINT

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
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NOTE OF EVIDENCE

This cause is submitted for final decree on Complainant's bill, answer and waiver filed by Respondent, and depositions of Complainant and Kathrine Shaw.

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E. G. RICKARBY,  
Solicitor for Complainant

Ms. 4212

NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON,

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LAW OFFICES  
E. G. RICKARBY  
BANK BUILDING  
FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

January 22, 1958

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

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Inre: Nan Abney Edmondson  
vs  
Grady Edmondson  
Our File: 3818

In the above styled cause we are handing you divorce bill, answer and waiver, note of evidence and testimony. Am also enclosing check for \$15.00, costs.

Please let me have decree on this as soon as possible, and oblige.

Yours very truly,



/nmk  
Encl.  
2/3/58



I, NADINE M. KLUMPP, Commissioner, acting under stipulation of the parties in the divorce suit of NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON vs. GRADY EDMONDSON, pending in the Equity side of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, hereby certify that I have caused the witnesses in this cause, namely, NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON and KATHRINE SHAW, who were made known to me and known to be the identical witnesses called by the parties, to come to my office in the Bank Building in the City of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, where said witnesses, after being first duly sworn by me, upon examination of E. G. RICKARBY, Esquire, Solicitor for the Complainant, did testify as shown by the attached testimony, and that their testimony was, by me, reduced to writing as given by them as near as might be in their identical language and, after being so reduced to writing, was read over by the said witnesses who assented to and signed the same in my presence.

I further certify that I am not of counsel or kin to either of the parties to the cause, nor anyway interested in the results thereof.

IN WITNESS, I hereunto set my hand as Commissioner on this the 21st. day of January, 1958.

  
Commissioner

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Solicitor for Complainant.

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GRADY EDMONDSON,	I	
Respondent.	I	

TESTIMONY OF NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON, COMPLAINANT:

Comes NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON, Complainant in the above mentioned cause, being first duly sworn, testified on her own behalf as follows:

My name is NAN ABNEY EDMONDSON, and I am bringing this suit for divorce against my husband, GRADY EDMONDSON.

I have lived in Baldwin County, Alabama all my life and so has my husband, GRADY EDMONDSON, and we are both still living in Baldwin County, Alabama, separate and apart.

My husband and I were married in Leaksville, Mississippi on the 12th day of April, 1951, and lived together as husband and wife until about the 1st day of June, 1956. On, or about the first of June, 1956, our relations became strained and he left me on that date. I had always tried to be a good wife to him and he did not have any legal excuse for leaving me and since that time we have lived separate and apart.

My husband and I have not had any children born to our marriage and we have discussed our financial affairs and agreed to settle them between ourselves.

I believe that it is to the best interest of both of us to end this marriage.

Nan Abney Edmondson

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 21st day of January, 1958.

Nedine D. Thompson  
Commissioner

No. 4212

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