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 THE WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES )  
 COMPANY, a corporation. )  
                                   Complainant. )  
 -vs- )  
 GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO., )  
 a corporation, and G. T. Tay- )  
 lor, )  
                                   Defendants. )  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 STATE OF ALABAMA  
 BALDWIN COUNTY  
 IN EQUITY

Answer of Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation, one of the Defendants in the above styled cause, to the Bill of Complaint therein filed.

This Defendant, reserving to itself all right of exception to the said bill of Complaint, for answer thereto, says;

(1.)           Answering the first paragraph of the Bill, the Defendant says, it may be true for anything this defendant knows to the contrary that the said Complainant is authorized to do business in the State of Alabama and that John D. Leigh of Brewton is its resident agent and that it was authorized to do business in the State of Alabama on, to-wit; the 2nd day of February, 1916, but this defendant is an utter stranger to all and every such matters and cannot form any belief concerning the same. And this defendant, further answering, says that it has been informed and believes it to be true, that, this defendant is a corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama, with its principal place of business in Baldwin County, Alabama. And further answering this defendant says it does not know that G. F. Taylor is over the age of twenty-one years.

(2.)           Answering the second paragraph of the Bill of Complaint, the defendant says that it has been informed and believes it to be true that on the 2nd day of February, 1916, it was engaged in the business of farming, producing and manufacturing naval stores, at or near Gateswood in Baldwin County, Alabama, and that it did become indebted to the Complainant for which it gave to the complainant notes dated February 2d, 1916, as stated in the said second paragraph of the said bill of complaint, but this defendant denies that to secure the said indebtedness it did make or execute to the complainant a mortgage, a copy whereof is made "Exhibit A" to the said Bill of Complaint and that inasmuch/<sup>as</sup>this defendant denies the making of said mortgage, it denies that it is legally obligated by

any of the provisions thereof. Answering further, this defendant says that it has been informed and believes it to be true that it made said notes dated January 6th, 1917. mentioned in the second paragraph of the bill of complaint, but for greater certainty therein craves leave to refer to said notes dated January 6th, 1917, when the same shall be produced. And this defendant, further answering says, that it has been informed and believes it to be true that complainant, from time to time, make advances to this defendant, but it denies that at the time of the filing of the said bill of complaint in this cause there was due or owing by it to the complainant the sum of Twenty Thousand, Eight Hundred and Three and Sixty one-hundredths Dollars (\$20,803.60), because this defendant is now informed and believes and alleges that prior to the date of the filing of the said bill of complaint, the complainant had received on account of sales of naval stores delivered to the complainant by it, the proceeds of such sales, the complainant made application of, without the authority of this defendant, to an amount greatly in excess of the balance which the said complainant, in and by its said bill of complaint alleges to be due and payable by this defendant to it, the said complainant.

(3.) Answering the third paragraph of the bill of complaint, this defendant says that it denies the legal execution by it of "shipping contracts" dated February 2d, 1916, and January 6th, 1917, as shown by "Exhibit 'B'" and "Exhibit 'C'" of the Bill of complaint.

(4.) Answering the fourth paragraph of the bill of complaint, the defendant says that it has been informed and believes it to be true that it made and executed to G. F. Taylor, of Colquitt County, State of Georgia, a mortgage deed, a copy of which is attached to the bill of complaint and marked "Exhibit 'D'", and admits that in such mortgage it was agreed, as therein set forth, that it should in nowise affect or impair the mortgage shown by "exhibit 'A'" of the bill of complaint, but this defendant alleges that inasmuch as the said supposed mortgage shown by "Exhibit 'A'" of the bill of complaint was invalid and ineffectual, the said provision shown by "Exhibit 'D'" was ineffectual, and

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and moreover this defendant alleges that before the filing of the bill of complaint herein it had fully paid the indebtedness supposed to exist and be covered by the said supposed mortgage shown by "Exhibit 'A'" of the bill of complaint, and this defendant alleges that the said supposed shipping contracts were never recorded and that the said G. F. Taylor never had any knowledge of the terms thereof.

(5.) Answering the fifth paragraph of the bill of complaint, defendant says, that by reasons of the allegations above made, it is not liable to the complainant in respect to the matters of said paragraph.

(6.) Answering the sixth paragraph of this bill of complaint this defendant says, that after deducting from its indebtedness to complainant the amount it has paid out of this defendant's money without authority, this defendant is not insolvent and there is no reason for the appointment of a receiver; wherefore this defendant says that the receiver that has been heretofore appointed ought to be discharged.

(7.) Answering the seventh paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says that the said complainant had no right to apply for or to secure, without notice or otherwise, the appointment of a receiver to take charge of or administer any of defendant's assets.

WHEREFORE, this defendant, the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, prays to be dismissed with its reasonable costs and charges in this behalf sustained.

Gateswood Naval Stores Company

FOR  
Solicitors of Gateswood  
Naval Stores Company...

( By H. Clay Smith &  
John C. Avery &  
Stone & Jones.

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Amendment to answer  
of John A. Carlton.

Filed 2/25/1918  
J. W. Williams  
Register

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STONE & STONE  
ATTORNEYS  
BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO., :  
a corporation, :  
Complainant. :

-vs-

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO., :  
a corporation, G. F. TAYLOR, :  
and JOHN A CARLTON. :  
Defendants. :

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT-EQUITY SIDE  
STATE OF ALABAMA.  
BALDWIN COUNTY

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By leave of the Court, first had and obtained, the Defendant, John A. Carlton, amends the first paragraph of his answer to Complainant's bill of Complaint in this cause filed, so that the same shall read as follows;

"1. Answering the first paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says that it admits complainant is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Florida, but he denies that that corporation is authorized to do business in the State of Alabama; that John D. Leigh is its resident agent or that the said complainant was authorized to do business in the State of Alabama in the month of February, 1916. And it denies that the said complainant was authorized to do business in the State of Alabama during the year 1917. And this defendant, further answering, says that it is true that the Gateswood Naval Stores Company is a corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama with its principal place of business in Baldwin County, Alabama. And further answering this defendant says that he does not know whether the defendant G. F. Taylor is over the age of twenty-one years.

*Stones*  
*John C. Rivers*  
*J. C. Smith*  
Solicitors for John A. Carlton

# Know all Men by these Presents:

That the MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY, a corporation created by and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, of the City of Baltimore, Maryland, and authorized by its Charter to transact a general surety business, and qualified to act as surety on bonds to the United States of America, and authorized to act as Surety in the State of Florida and Alabama, in pursuance of the authority set forth in Section 5, Article 4, of the By-Laws of said Company which said section has not been amended nor rescinded, and of which section of said By-Laws the following is a true, full and complete copy:

"The President, or any of the Vice-Presidents, shall have power by and with the concurrence of the Secretary or any one of the Assistant Secretaries, to appoint any Attorney-in-fact or to authorize any person or persons to execute on behalf of the Company, any bonds, recognizances, stipulations, undertakings, deeds, releases of mortgages, contracts, agreements and policies, and to affix the seal of the Company thereto,"

does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint H. H. Thornton, C. J. Levey, W. A. Blount, A. C. Blount, jr., W. A. Blount, jr., F. B. Carter, B. C. Maxwell, J. e. D. Yonge its Attorneys-in-fact at Pensacola in the State of Florida to make, execute and deliver on its behalf as Surety, and as its act and deed, subject to the limitations and conditions hereinafter set out, Bonds and Undertakings as follows:

A. In judicial proceedings in any and all courts sitting or held in the State of Florida and Alabama including the United States District Court for the Florida & Alabama Federal Judicial District of Florida & Alabama provided no one bond such as is in this paragraph provided for, shall be in a penalty of more than Thirty Thousand Dollars, (\$ 30,000.00) and provided, further that no bond on Appeal, Appearance, Assignees' Bond for the benefit of creditors, Attachment, Bail, Committee, Cost, Cost Bond on Appeal, Condemnation Proceeding, ~~Change of Conservator~~, Dissolve Attachment, Defendant's Bond in Replevin, Dissolve Injunction, Forthcoming, ~~Guardian~~, Garnishment, Indemnity to Marshall, Sheriff or Constable, Injunction, Land Damage, Libel, Mechanics' Lien, Petitioning Creditors, Refunding, Recognizance, Replevin, Redelivery, Removal, Release Attachment or Garnishment, Stipulation, Supersedeas, and Trustees Bond under Will, shall be issued hereunder where the amount of such bond is in excess of TEN THOUSAND Dollars, (\$ 10,000.00).

B. Required by the United States Government to be filed with the Internal Revenue Bureau of the Treasury Department for the proper conduct of any tobacco or spirit manufacturing business, including Warehousing Bonds, Transportation Bonds, Transportation for Warehousing, Transportation for Export or Export Bonds, Distillers' Annual Bonds, Tobacco and Cigar Manufacturers' Bonds, and any and all other bonds (except Internal Revenue Officials' Bonds, Fruit Distillers, Oleomargarine, Adulterated and Renovated Butter Manufacturers' Bonds), which may be required either by the Revenue Statutes or the Internal Revenue Bureau of the Treasury Department of the United States; provided, however, no such bond shall be in a penalty of more than ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND Dollars, (\$ 100,000.00).

C. Guaranteeing the faithful performance of contracts for the construction of any work or improvement, or for the furnishing of any supplies; Provided, however, no such bond shall ~~guarantee the successful~~ be in a penalty of more than Fifteen Thousand Dollars, (\$ 15,000.00), nor shall this authority be held to cover the execution of Lenders' or Mortgagees' Bonds, Franchise Bonds, Bonds Guaranteeing Leaseholds, Charter Parties, the Payment of Rentals or Instruments of like nature.

D. Required by and given to and filed with the State of Florida & Alabama or any City, Town or County in said State, pursuant to laws or ordinances regulating the granting of permits for the conducting of any business, etc., meaning to include herein all such instruments commonly known as "permit" or "license" bonds, (except Liquor or Excise Bonds and bonds for keeping of, or hauling of, or handling of explosives); provided, however, no such bond shall exceed in penalty the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, (\$ 5,000.00).

E. Required to be filed by State, County or Municipal officials, officers and employees (except Treasurers, Sheriffs, Constables and officers collecting taxes, Florida and Alabama) in qualifying for office within the State of Florida and Alabama, the said bonds being conditioned for the faithful discharge of their duties and accounting for and paying over the funds coming into their hands as such officials, officers and employees, or in such terms as is by Statute, Municipal Ordinance or other provisions of law required; provided, however, no such bond shall be in a penalty of more than Twenty Thousand Dollars, (\$ 20,000.00).

Such Bonds and Undertakings for said purposes, shall be as binding upon said Company as fully and to all intents and purposes as if such Bonds and Undertakings had been duly executed and acknowledged and delivered by the regularly elected officers of the Company, when duly executed by either H. H. Thornton or C. J. Levey as Attorney in fact and countersigned by either W. A. Blount, A. C. Blount, jr., W. A. Blount, jr., F. B. Carter, B. C. Maxwell or J. e. D. Yonge as Attorney in fact

In Witness Whereof, the MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President, and its Asst- Secretary, and its Corporate Seal to be hereunto affixed, this 24th day of June, 1915, at the City of Baltimore, Maryland.

MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY,  
By James H. Stone vice President.  
Attest: Robert Ferguson Asst Secretary.

STATE OF MARYLAND }  
CITY OF BALTIMORE } SS.

On this 24th day of June, A. D. 1915, before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for the City of Baltimore, duly commissioned and qualified, came James H. Stone, Vice - President, and Robert Ferguson, Asst- Secretary, of the MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in, and who executed the preceding instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same and being by me duly sworn, severally and each for himself depose and saith, that they are the said officers of the Company aforesaid, and that the Seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company, and that the said Corporate Seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporation.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at the City of Baltimore, the day and year first above written.

My commission expires May 6th, 1914

James H. Stone  
Notary Public.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed  
by the Court that the receiver J. A. Vaughn be and he is hereby  
discharged as receiver in this cause.

*This Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 1926*

B. S. Wilmers  
*Special Judge's Return  
in Equity*

Filed Feb 18 1922  
T. W. Richardson  
Registered  
Entered in the  
minutes on  
Page 218

*[Faint, illegible handwritten text]*

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BY THE CLERK AND THE RECORDER. A. W. WARDEN BE THE RECORDER.  
RECORDED AND REGISTERED BY RECORDER



G. F. Taylor and John A. Carlton, and that it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that from the proceeds of the mortgaged property received by the West Florida Naval Stores, the said West Florida Naval Stores Company shall be entitled to a preference and priority of payment over any and all claim and demand of John A. Carlton and G. F. Taylor. It appearing to the Court from reports of the receiver and the receipts and vouchers filed in evidence in this case, that the receiver has paid over to the complainant, West Florida Naval Stores Company the net balance of \$2,386.27, resulting from his operation from October 19, 1917, to February 19, 1918, as shown by his report filed in the office of the Register of this Court on February 23, 1918, and has paid to the complainant, the West Florida Naval Stores Company the sum of \$2500.00, the proceeds of the sale of the property had on March 4th, 1918, and \$326.24 being the proceeds of twenty-three cans of turpentine, shown as remaining in the hands of the receiver unsold from his operation from Oct. 19, 1917, to February 19, 1918. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed that the said payments made by said receiver to complainant are in all things ratified and confirmed and shall be applied in reduction of the principal herein declared to be due at the date of the filing of this bill of complaint. After applying said payment there remains a balance due under said mortgage by the said Gateswood Naval Stores Company to said West Florida Naval Stores Company the sum of \$25984.<sup>33</sup> which includes interest to this date

All of the mortgage assets having been exhausted and applied upon the indebtedness due by the respondent, Gateswood Naval Stores Company to complainant, which amount received and applied were from the receivers operation, left a balance due on the said mortgage to complainant from the Gateswood Naval Stores Company of \$25984.<sup>33</sup> as hereinabove set forth.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that Complainant, West Florida Naval Stores Company do have and recover of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company the sum of \$25984.<sup>33</sup> and the costs of this proceeding for which let

West Florida Naval Stores,  
Company,

vs.

Gateswood Naval Stores Co.,  
G. F. Taylor and John A. Carlton.

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: In the Circuit Court of  
: Baldwin County, Alabama,  
: Sitting in Equity.  
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This cause coming on to be heard was submitted for final decree upon the pleadings and proof as noted by the Register and upon consideration of said cause by the Court and the proof introduced in support thereof. It is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for. It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the mortgage made and executed by the Gateswood Naval Stores Company on February 2nd, 1916, a copy of which is attached to the original bill in this cause and marked Exhibit "A", is a valid and subsisting mortgage, and is a lien on all the property of the West Florida Naval Stores Company as set forth and described in said mortgage, and is a superior and valid lien in all respects to all the right, title, lien, interest or claim of demand of John A. Carlton and G. F. Taylor, and that said mortgage is subject to be foreclosed by the orders of this Court.

The amount which is due complainant by the Gateswood Naval Stores Company under said mortgage, a copy of which is marked Exhibit "A" to the original bill in this case being easy to ascertain a reference to ascertain such amount being unnecessary, the Court now proceeds to ascertain said amount due under said mortgage. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court and the Court ascertains and finds that the amount due under the mortgage under date of February 2nd, 1916, and executed by the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, and payable to the West Florida Naval Stores Company, a copy of which is attached to the original bill marked Exhibit "A", at the time of the filing of the bill in this cause was the sum of \$20,803.60, and such sum is entitled to a preference and as priority to payment over any and all claims of demand of

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ANSWER  
of  
JOHN A. CARLTON.

West Florida Naval Stores Co.,  
a corporation,  
Complainant.

-vs-

Gateswood Naval Stores Co., inc.  
G. F. Taylor and John A. Carlton  
Defendants.

CIRCUIT COURT,  
STATE OF ALABAMA.  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

-----IN EQUITY-----

Filed in this office this

*W. M. McIlwain* Clerk.

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ATTORNEYS  
BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

alleges, that after the execution of the said mortgage of the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company, to the defendant, G. F. Taylor, as shown by a copy thereof as Exhibit "D" of the Bill of Complaint, the said G. F. Taylor assigned the said mortgage for a full, complete and valuable consideration to this defendant, whereby this defendant, under the said mortgage, became vested with all of the rights of the said G. F. Taylor, and has ever since so remained, and this defendant further shows that he <sup>is</sup> entitled, ~~to~~, in this proceeding, to an accounting between the complainant and the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company and between this defendant and the said other defendants and the complainant so that the amount to which this defendant is entitled under the terms of said mortgage may be fully ascertained and that he, by the decree of this Honorable Court, in this cause, obtain a decree of foreclosure of his said mortgage and have the mortgaged property sold in such manner as required by law, and if prior to the rendition of such decree the said mortgaged property shall have been disposed of by a receiver of this Court, appointed in this cause, the proceeds of such disposition, to the extent that the same may be necessary, be applied to the satisfaction and payment of the amount of the indebtedness found upon an accounting to be due and payable to this defendant by the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company; and that this Honorable Court may decree that the said supposed mortgage shown by the exhibit "A" of the bill of complaint be, as against this defendant, declared and decreed null and void and ineffectual as against this defendant, and that this defendant may have such other and further relief as he may be entitled to under the circumstances of the case, which, under the laws of the State of Alabama and the rules of this Honorable Court may be awarded upon this answer to the bill of Complaint.

John A. Carlton  
By J. Clay Smith  
John C. Avery  
Stone & Stone  
Solicitors for John A. Carlton.

4. Answering the fourth paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says, that he admits that it is true that the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company, made, executed and delivered to the defendant, G. F. Taylor, of Colquitt County, State of Georgia, a mortgage, a copy of which is attached to the bill of complaint as Exhibit "D", and he admits that the terms of said mortgage were as stated in the fourth paragraph of the bill of complaint, but this defendant is advised and alleges that inasmuch as the said supposed mortgage, shown by Exhibit "A" of the bill of complaint, was invalid and ineffectual the said provisions of said mortgage shown by Exhibit "D" were ineffectual, and moreover this defendant alleges that before the filing of the bill of complaint herein, the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company, had fully paid all indebtedness supposed to exist and be covered by the said supposed mortgage as shown by Exhibit "A" of the bill of complaint, and this defendant alleges that the said supposed shipping contract mentioned in the fourth paragraph of the bill of complaint were never recorded and that the said G. F. Taylor <sup>was John A. Carlton</sup> never had any knowledge of the terms thereof.

5. Answering the fifth paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says, that by reason of the allegations above made the said defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company is not liable to complainant in respect to the matter of the said paragraph.

6. Answering the sixth paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says, that after deducting from the indebtedness of the said Gateswood Naval Stores Company to the complainant the amount which it has paid out of the moneys of the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company, without its authority, that company is not insolvent and there was no occasion for the appointment of a receiver ~~and this~~ defendant says that the receiver heretofore appointed ought to be discharged.

7. Answering the seventh paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says that the complainant had no right to apply for or secure, without notice, or otherwise, the appointment of a receiver to take charge of or administer any of the assets of the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company.

8. And this defendant, further answering, shows to the court and

cannot admit or deny, but demands strict proff of whether the defendant Gateswood Naval Stores Company became indebted to the complainant or gave notes as in the second paragraph of the bill of complaint alleged; but this defendant denies, upon information and belief, that to secure the alleged indebtedness the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company did make or execute to the complainant a mortgage, a copy whereof is made Exhibit "A" of the Bill of Complaint, and that inasmuch as this defendant, upon information and belief, denies the making of the said mortgage, he denies that the defendant Gateswood Naval Stores Company is legally obligated by any of the provisions thereof; that this defendant does not know, and is therefore unable to admit or deny, but demands strict proof of making of notes dated January 6th, 1917, mentioned in the second paragraph of the bill of complaint; that this defendant is informed and believes that the complainant did, from time to time, make advances to the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company, but he denies, upon information and belief, that at the time of the filing of the said bill of complaint that there was due or owing by the said Gateswood Naval Stores Company to the complainant the sum of Twenty Thousand, Eight Hundred and Three and Sixty one hundredths Dollars (\$20,803.60), because this defendant is informed and believes, and upon information and belief alleges, that prior to the date of filing of the bill of complaint the said complainant had received from the said Gateswood Naval Stores Company naval stores delivered by it to the complainant, the proceeds of which the complainant made application of without the authority of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company to an amount greatly in excess of the balance which the said complainant, in and by its said bill of complaint, alleges to be due and payable to it by the said defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company.

3. Answering the third paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says, that he is informed and believes, and upon information and belief alleges that it is not true that the Gateswood Naval Stores Company legally executed shipping contract dated February 2nd, 1916 and January 6th, 1917 as shown by Exhibits "B" and "C" of the bill of Complaint.

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO.,  
a corporation.  
Complainant.

-VS-

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO.,  
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and John A. Carlton,  
Defendants.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
STATE OF ALABAMA.  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

-IN EQUITY-

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The answer of John A. Carlton, one of the Defendants in the above styled cause, who, by leave and order of the Court has become and is a party defendant in the said cause;

1. Answering the first paragraph of the bill of complaint, the defendant says; that it may be true for anything this defendant knows to the contrary that the said complainant is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida and is authorized to do business in the state of Alabama; that John D. Leigh of Brewton is its resident agent; that it is authorized to do business in the State of Alabama and has been since February 2nd, 1916, but this defendant is an utter stranger to all and every such matters and cannot form any belief concerning the same. And this defendant further answering, says that he has been informed and believes to be true that the Gateswood Naval Stores Company is a corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama, with its principal place of business in Baldwin County, Alabama, also, that G. F. Taylor is over the age of twenty-one (21) years.

2. Answering the second paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says that he has been informed and believes to be true that on the 2nd day of February, 1916, the Gateswood Naval Stores Company was engaged in the business of farming, producing and manufacturing naval stores at or near Gateswood in Baldwin County, Alabama.. Answering further, this defendant says that he does not know, and therefore

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ATTORNEYS  
BAY MINNETTE, ALABAMA



This Mortgage Deed, Executed the 29th day of May  
 A. D. 1916 by Waldwood Naval Stores Company of Baldwin, Ala  
 a Corporation organized and doing business under the laws of Alabama  
 hereinafter called the Mortgagor, to M. J. Taylor  
 of Polk County, Georgia  
 hereinafter called the Mortgagee,

WITNESSETH, That for divers good and valuable considerations, and also in consideration of the aggregate sum named in the promissory note of even date herewith, hereinafter described, the said Mortgagor, do grant, bargain, sell, alien, remise, release, convey and confirm unto the said Mortgagee, his heirs and assigns, in fee simple, all the certain tract of land, of which the said Mortgagor, are now seized and possessed, and in actual possession, situate in Baldwin County, Alabama County, State of Alabama, described as follows:

~~about 10000 acres of land~~

Lease dated December 15, 1911 made by J. L. Russ & J. J. Mc Askell to J. Howell expressing about 10000 acres of land said lease being recorded in the Record of Baldwin County Alabama February 12, 1912 in book 18 N S page 659; also 2 stells and fixtures

Also 5 head of Mules <sup>and</sup> 4 head of horses and 3 wagons together with all harness &c.

Also all dip barrels pumps, tools &c and dwelling houses, barns and other buildings and generally all articles belonging to said stells or Naval Stores business

Also 28 Crops Crops

Drew's Form R. E. G.

# MORTGAGE DEED.

*Statewide Mortgages Co*

To *J. J. Taylor*

Date

## Abstract of Description.

*2 1/2 Acres of land*

filed for record on the

day of *May*, 19*16*

recorded in Mortgage Book, Page

public records of

County, Florida.

Clerk, Circuit Court.

The Jackson-Brewer Company, Jacksonville, Fla. 62413

*File 240000000*

STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
 Baldwin County, }  
 J. H. H. SMITH, Judge of

Present for said county, hereby certify that the following  
printed tax has been paid on the within instrument as re-  
quired by Acts 1902 & 1903, viz: \$31.05

*J. H. H. Smith* Judge of Probate

*2944*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, } Office at the City of  
 Baldwin County, } the Probate Court

J. H. H. SMITH, Judge of said Court in and  
said County, do hereby certify that the within instru-  
ment was filed in this office for record on the *29th*  
day of *May*, 19*16* at *11*  
o'clock *AM*, and I further certify that  
same is duly recorded in record Book No. *458*  
Page *62* and duly examined by me on the *29th*  
day of *May*, 19*16*

Witness my hand this *29th* day of *May*, 19*16*

*J. H. H. Smith* Judge of Probate  
*John A. Carlton* Clerk

For value received, I Heretby  
transfer all my right, title  
and interest in the within  
note and mortgage to  
John A. Carlton, without  
recourse on me

*J. J. Taylor*  
*May 29 1916*

said County and State, this *29th* day of *May*, A. D. 19*16*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I heretby set my hand and official seal at *Monticello*

without compulsion, constraint, apprehension or fear of or from her said husband  
and to the lands therein described, and that she executed the same freely and voluntarily and  
purpose of renouncing and relinquishing her dower and right of dower and separate estate in  
before me, separately and apart from her husband, that she executed the said mortgage deed for the

and that she this day acknowledged to and

CERTIFY that said *Monticello* is known to me to be the wife of said

to be the individual described in and who executed the said mortgage. AND I FURTHER

mortgage, and I FURTHER CERTIFY that I know the said person making said acknowledgment

to me personally known, this day acknowledged before me that *they* executed the foregoing

and *John A. Carlton* duly qualified and acting, HEREBY CERTIFY that *Monticello*

I, an officer authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds according to the laws of the State of

State of *Alabama*  
County of *Monticello*

*J. J. Taylor*

Carlton. Did you sign said transfer? Examine the note hereto attached, dated May 29th, 1916, purporting to be a note payable to your order made by the Gateswood Naval Stores Company and state whether this note was ever delivered to you. Was the mortgage hereto attached given you by the Gateswood Naval Stores Company to secure this note? Is this note the one described therein? Examine the back of the note and then state whether you signed the transfer on the back of this note to John A. Carlton? Did you transfer to John A. Carlton your interest in this note and mortgage? Was your transfer of your interest in this note and mortgage to John A. Carlton made for a valuable consideration.

To above interrogatories are to be propounded to J. C. Howell, Jr., who resides at Moultrie, Georgia; to Elkin G. Taylor, who resides at Moultrie, Georgia and to G. F. Taylor who resides at Moultrie, Georgia, all of whom are material witnesses for the respondents in the above cause.

W. F. Way of Moultrie, Georgia is suggested as a competent and suitable person to propound the above interrogatories.

*Stone & Stone*  
 by *Frank Stone*  
 for respondents.

STATE OF ALABAMA.

BALDWIN COUNTY.

Before me, T. W. Richerson, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County and State, personally appeared ~~Herberne~~ *Frank Stone* ~~G. Stone~~ of the firm of Stone & Stone, Counsel for the Respondents, in the above styled Cause, and who, after being by me first duly sworn deposes and says under oath, that the above witnesses, J. C. Howell, Jr. Elkin G. Taylor and G. F. Taylor are material witnesses for the respondent in the above cause and that they reside without the State of Alabama.

*Frank Stone*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of July, 1918.

*T. W. Richerson*  
 Clerk of Circuit Court.

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES  
COMPANY, a corporation,  
Complainant.

-vs-

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES  
COMPANY, a corporation,  
et al. Respondent.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT-IN EQUITY  
STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

Interrogatories to be propounded to J. C. Howell, Jr., Elkin G. Taylor and G. F. Taylor, all of Moultrie, County of Colquitt, State of Georgia, all of whom are material witnesses for the Respondents in the above entitled cause:

TO BE ANSWERED BY J. C. HOWELL, JR.:

First.

State your name, age and residence.

Second.

Were you connected with in any way, or did you hold any office with Gateswood Naval Stores Company on or about May 29th, 1916? Was this company a corporation or a partnership? What office did you hold in this Company? If you answer that you were an officer of this company and that it was a corporation, please attach to your answers to these interrogatories a certified copy of, or the original Charter to this corporation.

Third.

Please examine the attached instrument, purporting to be a mortgage, and answer if you signed and executed the same in behalf of and as an officer of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation, on the day the same bears date? Were you at that time president of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation? Did you sign it as President with full authority from the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation? How was such authority given to you? Was it by resolution of its stockholders? If so, attach a copy of the said resolution or the original resolution itself.

Who witnessed said instrument? Did anyone else besides yourself sign said mortgage in behalf of and as officers of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation? if they did, who did, and what position

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did he occupy with said Company? Was this done in your presence? At what time?

Fourth.

Were you acquainted with the contents of said instrument before signing the same? To whom was this mortgage delivered?

Fifth.

Did you sign the enclosed note attached hereto, dated May 29, 1916 for the sum of Twenty Thousand, six hundred and ninety four and 50/100 dollars (\$20,694.50), payable to G. F. Taylor? In whose behalf or for what corporation did you sign the said note? Is it the same note as is described in said mortgage? Did anyone else sign said note? Did the signers of this note sign as individuals or as officers for and as the act of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company? Was this note secured by a mortgage, if so, was it the mortgage that is hereto attached? Who were the witnesses to the signature of yourself as President and of Elkins G. Taylor as Sect. and Treas., of Gateswood Naval Stores Company? Did you and Elkin G. Taylor sign said note and mortgage in the presence of the witnesses? Where do the witnesses now live?

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TO BE ANSWERED BY ELKIN G. TAYLOR;..

First.

State your name, age and residence. Were you connected with the Gateswood Naval Stores Company on or about May 29th, 1916? If so, in what capacity?

Second.

Examine the instrument hereto attached purporting to be a mortgage from Gateswood Naval Stores Company to G. F. Taylor and state whether you signed and executed the same? Did you sign it individually or as an officer of Gateswood Naval Stores Company? If you state that you signed the same as an officer of said Gateswood Naval Stores Company state what officer you were in said company. Who witnessed your signature to this instrument? Where are these witnesses now? Was this mortgage signed and executed on the day the same bears date?

Third.

Did you have authority from the Gateswood Naval Stores Comp-

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any to sign and execute said mortgage? By what authority, if by a resolution of the stockholders, please attach said resolution or a copy of the same duly certified to by the officers of said Company.

Fourth.

Was the Gateswood Naval Stores Company a partnership or a corporation at that time (May 29th, 1916)?

Fifth.

Who were the witnesses to your signature to said instrument? Where are they now? When did you sign said mortgage? To whom was this mortgage delivered after signing and execution?

Sixth.

Did you also sign a certain note on that day? Is the note hereto attached, in the sum of Twenty thousand, six hundred and ninety-four and 50/100 dollars, due August 1st, 1917, and payable to G. F. Taylor the note that you signed on that day? Was this note signed by you individually or as an officer of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company? If you state that you signed as an officer, was you authorized to so sign as the officer of and for the act of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company? How was this authority given? Did J. C. Howell, Jr. also sign this note? Did he sign the same in your presence and as the President of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company? Was this note secured by a mortgage? Was that mortgage the one attached hereto? Is this the note described in the mortgage hereto attached?

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TO BE ANSWERED BY G. F. TAYLOR:-

First.

State your name, age and residence. Please examine the instrument hereto attached purporting to be a mortgage by Gateswood Naval Stores Company to G. F. Taylor and state if this Mortgage was ever given you by the Gateswood Naval Stores Company. Was it ever delivered to you?

Second.

Examine the transfer on the back of this instrument, Dated August 3rd, 1916, and state whether or not you made said transfer to John A.

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vs.  
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Stores Co. and G.F. Tayer

CIRCUIT COURT OF  
Baldwin COUNTY.

IN EQUITY.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register that on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of

Oct 1917, a copy of the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause was sent to

G.F. Tayer

Defendant, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed,"

and return receipt demanded addressed to the Register of this Court; and that on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of

Oct 1917, such receipt was duly received and filed in this cause:

And it further appearing to the Register that the said Defendant has failed to plead, answer or demur to the said Bill to the date hereof, it is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Register that the said Bill of Complaint be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said

Galerwood Naval Stores Co. a Corporation  
and G.F. Tayer Defendant.

This the 13 day of May 1918

T.W. Keenan

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CIRCUIT COURT OF  
Baldwin COUNTY,  
IN EQUITY.

West Florida  
Naval Stores Co

vs.

Greenwood Naval  
Stores Co & G. F. Taylor

DECREE PRO CONFESSO AFTER  
NOTICE BY REGISTERED MAIL.

Filed in office this 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1918  
J. M. [Signature]  
Register.

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Register

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LANE & LANE  
Attorneys  
GREENVILLE, ALA.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

BUTLER COUNTY.

Before me, O. A. Sans, a

Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared J. A. Vaughan, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath says that the facts and statements contained in the foregoing report as Receiver, are true as therein stated; that the same, together with the Exhibits thereto, shows a full and complete statement of all completed sales made by him, the date of each sale, the parties to whom made and the price received therefor, and a full and correct statement of all expenses paid out by him in the care, handling and sale of the property named in said Exhibit A.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on this, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 1918.

J. A. Vaughan

O. A. Sans  
Notary Public

Feb. 2, 1918.	10 Sacks oats for feed, .....	\$52.50
" 8, "	5 " " " " .....	26.25
" 15, "	3100# feed, .....	89.25
" 15, "	Freight on feed to Gateswood Junction, ....	14.50

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS OF J. A. VAUGHAN, RECEIVER,

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY,

OCTOBER 19, 1917 to FEBRUARY 19, 1918.

		<u>Debit</u>
Oct. 27, 1917.	Pay roll for Gateswood Naval Stores Co. for two weeks ending October 20th, .....	\$196.42
" 27, "	Pay roll for week ending October 27th, ....	244.44
Nov. 3, "	5 Gallons cylinder oil, .....	2.65
" 3, "	Pay roll for week ending November 3rd, ....	248.92
" 10, "	Pay roll for week ending November 10th, ...	284.65
" 16, "	Axle Grease, .....	1.13
" 16, "	Collar pads, .....	2.25
" 16, "	1 Bale of Cotton Batting, .....	20.88
" 16, "	1 Gallon cylinder oil, .....	.53
" 17, "	Pay roll for week ending November 17th, ...	242.00
" 24, "	Pay roll for week ending November 24th, ...	250.84
" 27, "	8 Sacks Feed, .....	21.00
" 30, "	5 Gallons Oil, .....	.70
" 30, "	3200# Feed, .....	88.00
Dec. 1, "	Pay roll for week ending December 1st, ....	240.11
" 6, "	2,000# Feed, .....	52.50
" 6, "	Freight to Gateswood Junction, .....	6.84
" 8, "	Pay roll for week ending December 8th, ....	164.50
" 14, "	2,000# Feed, .....	54.00
" 15, "	Pay roll for week ending December 15th, ...	92.90
" 22, "	Pay roll for week ending December 22nd, ...	74.45
" 27, "	3,000# Feed, .....	81.00
" 31, "	Hauling barrels, G.F.&A. and Transfer Co...	11.38
Jan. 11, 1918.	3,100# Feed, .....	89.81
" 12, "	Pay roll for 3 weeks ending Jan. 12th, ....	206.55
" 15, "	Pensacola Navy Stores Storage Co., .....	8.82
" 15, "	Repair for wagons, .....	7.75
" 26, "	Pay roll for 2 weeks ending Jan. 26th, ....	106.05

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STATEMENT OF J. A. VAUGHAN, RECEIVER,

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY

OCTOBER 19, 1917 to FEBRUARY 19, 1918.

		<u>Sold to</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Nov. 11, 1917	101 barrels rosin, .....	Busch & Jolles	\$976.32
" 13, "	60 " " .....	Columbia N/S Co.	572.64
" 15, "	61 " " .....	Busch & Jolles	578.24
Dec. 1, 1917.	4 " spirits, ...	Columbia N/S Co.	74.68
" 1, "	52 " rosin, .....	" "	507.32
" 3, "	53 " " , .....	Isaac Winkler & Bro.	510.01
" 14, "	37 " spirits, ...	Columbia N/S Co.	610.56
" 17, "	5 " " .....	" "	85.48
" 19, "	11 " " .....	Antwerp N/S Co.	185.53
" 27, "	46 " rosin, .....	" "	440.56
" 29, "	1 car Batting & Strainer Dross, .....	A. E. Turner & Co.	135.39
Jan. 10, 1918.	9 barrels spirits, ...	Antwerp N/S Co.	134.70
Feb. 19, "	59 " rosin, .....	Taylor-Lowenstein	558.41
		Total Credits	\$5,369.84
		Less Debits, ....	2,983.57
		Credit Balance on hand,	<u>\$2,386.27</u>

Exhibit A

( I have on hand unsold 23 barrels of spirits)

There will also be a few debits and credits to add to my accounts as herein submitted - bills not rendered and amounts not adjusted.

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a Corporation, et al.

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

To the Honorable A. E. Gamble, Judge of the Second  
Judicial Circuit of the State of Alabama, Sitting in Equity:

The undersigned J. A. Vaughan, the Receiver heretofore appointed by the Court in the above stated cause, and who was ordered and directed by decree made and entered in the cause on the 16th day of February, 1918, to report all sales made by him of the products and properties in his hands as such Receiver, under a former decree of the Court, showing date of each sale, the party or parties to whom made and the price received, begs leave to report as follows: He attaches hereto a full statement of each and every sale made by him, showing the date of each sale, the party or parties to whom sold, and the price received by him, and marks the same Exhibit A and makes said statement a part of this report. The undersigned, as such Receiver, was also directed and ordered by said decree in the cause, of date the 16th day of February, 1918, to make report of all expenses incurred and paid out by him in the care of, handling and sale of said products and properties, and pursuant to such order and direction, he attaches hereto a full statement of all expenses paid out by him, marks the same Exhibit B and makes the same a part of this report.

He further reports that there remains in his hands unsold 23 barrels of spirits, which he has been unable to get a fair market price for.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

*J. A. Vaughan*  
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W. WATSON & COMPANY  
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*For the purpose of  
recording the  
proceedings of the  
Board of Directors  
of the  
Philadelphia  
Trust Co.*

*Witness my hand  
this 1st day of  
January 1900.*

*Wm. H. Wood  
President*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, )  
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BUTLER COUNTY.          )

Personally appeared before me, Mary Fulford, a  
Notary Public in and for said State and County, J. A.  
Vaughan, who being by me first duly sworn, on oath doth  
say that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition  
are true as therein stated.

Subscribed and sworn to  
before me, this the 9th  
day of February 1918:

{ J. A. Vaughan }

Mary Fulford  
Notary Public.



of time, they will deteriorate in value, and a large portion of said cups will be wholly lost and the other property mentioned and described, not being in use, will deteriorate in value and be damaged.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your petitioner prays:

First; That your Honor will set a day for the hearing of this petition, and that notice of the same be given the parties in interest.

Second; That upon the hearing of said petition, your Honor will render and enter a decree authorizing, directing and ordering your petitioner, as such Receiver, to sell said property in such manner as may seem just and right to your Honor, and your petitioner prays for such other, further and general relief as, in the premises, your Honor may think right and proper.

HAMILTON & LEIGH,

Solicitors for J. A. Vaughan.

possession of was the following:

Two 25-barrel turpentine still and fixtures;

A one year turpentine lease on 160 acres of land belonging to one A. A. Fleming in Baldwin County, Ala;

4 mules;

4 horses;

Two Two-horse wagons;

One three-horse wagon;

Three double sets of harness;

One road cart and harness;

One boiler pump and piping;

Two tons of loose hay;

One set of cooper tools;

About 150 dip barrels;

Five bridles and saddles;

One hay rack and mower;

One bed stead;

One Dresser,

One wash-stand;

One lot of cups known as turpentine cups, estimated to be about 230,000;

#### F O U R T H.

Petitioner further alleges that the leases under which the turpentine business of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company has been operating have expired and it will become necessary for your petitioner to remove said property from the premises upon which the same is situated at a great cost and expense; that to retain possession of said property by your petitioner until the termination of this suit will be expensive to keep the same, and said property will deteriorate in value in this: That it will be necessary to purchase food for the said mules and horses, and that the said food is of a very high price, and the turpentine cups are made of tin, and if the same are kept for any length

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a Corporation, G. F. TAYLOR AND  
JOHN A. CARLTON,

)  
( IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
( BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

)  
( IN EQUITY.  
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To the Honorable A. E. Gamble, Judge of the Second  
Judicial Circuit of the State of Alabama, sitting in Equity:

Your petitioner, J. A. Vaughan, most respectfully  
represents unto your Honor:

F I R S T.

That he was, by this Honorable Court, appointed  
Receiver in the above stated cause, and that after being so  
appointed, he made and executed bond as required by this  
Court, as such receiver, and has been acting and is now acting  
as such Receiver under said appointment.

S E C O N D.

That upon the making and executing of the bond as  
required by said Court he took into his possession the prop-  
erty of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, which property  
was mentioned, described and conveyed by that said mortgage  
of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company to the West Florida  
Naval Stores company, a copy of which mortgage is attached to  
the original bill in this cause and marked Exhibit " A ", and  
as such receiver has held said property, and now has possession  
of the same, except the crude and manufactured turpentine,  
spirits of turpentine and crude turpentine which was in the  
boxes at the time of the appointment of your petitioner as  
receiver, which products this receiver has sold under the  
orders and directions of this Court.

T H I R D.

That among the property which your petitioner took

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undersigned the full purchase price of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars for said property at said sale.

The undersigned begs leave to further report unto Your Honor that in his judgment said property brought a fair price and that the sale should be confirmed; that until a confirmation of the sale the property will remain in his hands at considerable expense, and he therefore recommends that this report of sale be acted upon as promptly as practicable.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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*J. A. Vaughan*

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COMPANY, A CORPORATION,

Vs.

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A Corporation, G. F. TAYLOR AND  
John A. CARLTON.

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

To The Honorable A. E. Gamble, Judge of the  
Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of  
Alabama, sitting in Equity at <sup>Bay Minette,</sup> ~~Boxwood,~~ Alabama:

The undersigned J. A. Vaughan, the Receiver heretofore appointed by the Court in said cause, begs leave to report that pursuant to, and in strict compliance with the directions contained in the decree and order of sale of the property in his hands mentioned in the decree, dated the 16th day of February, 1918, he proceeded to sell said property at public outcry on the premises where the same was located, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 4th day of March, 1918, after having first given notice by publication and by notice served upon the solicitors of the parties to the suit, and at said sale R. F. Mitchell became the purchaser of all of said property at and for the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars. The undersigned first offered said property for sale in lots or parcels with the reservation of offering the same in bulk, and announcing at the sale that the bid would be accepted for the highest price offered for said property whether in parcels or in bulk. He first offered said property for sale in parcels or lots and that the bids therefor aggregated the sum of \$1961.00; that he then offered all of said property in bulk and that the bid of said Mitchell was \$2500.00, he being the highest, last and best bidder ~~xxx~~ therefor, and said property was sold to him at said price. He further reports that said sale was fairly conducted and concluded, and that said R. F. Mitchell has paid to the

# CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA., IN EQUITY.

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PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANT

No. \_\_\_\_\_

### Bill of Costs

	Dollars	Cts.	Brought Forward.....		
<b>FEEES OF REGISTER</b>					
Filing each bill and other papers..... <i>13</i>	10	40	For receiving, keeping and paying out or distribut-		
Issuing each subpoena.....	50	30	ing money, etc.: 1st \$1,000, 1 per ct.; all		
Issuing each copy thereof.....	40	20	over \$1,000, and not over \$5,000, $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1 per		
Entering each return thereof.....	15	15	ct.; all over \$5,000, and not exceeding		
For each order of publication.....	1 00		\$10,000, $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 per ct.; all over \$10,000, $\frac{1}{4}$ of		
Issuing writ of injunction.....	1 50		1 per ct.,		
For each copy thereof.....	50		Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into		
Entering each return thereof.....	15		court, etc., $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 per ct. of amount received,		
Issuing writ of attachment.....	1 00		Each notice sent by mail to creditors.....	15	
Entering each return thereof.....	15		Filing, receipting for and docketing each claim, etc	25	
Docketing each case.....	1 00		For all entries on subpoena docket, etc.....	50	
Entering each appearance.....	25		For all entries on commission docket, etc.....	50	
Issuing each decree pro confesso on <i>pro confesso</i>	1 00		Making final record, per 100 words.....	15	
Issuing each decree pro confesso on publication.....	1 00		Certified copy of decree.....	1 00	
Each order appointing guardian.....	1 00		Report of divorce to State Health office.....	50	
Any other order by Register.....	50		(Acts 1915)		
Issuing commission to take testimony.....	50		Total Fees of Register		<i>222 67</i>
Receiving and filing.....	10				
Endorsing each package.....	10		<b>FEEES OF SHERIFF.</b>		
Entering order submitting cause.....	50	50	Serving and returning subpoena on deft.....	\$ 1 50	
Entering any other order of court.....	25		Serving and returning subpoena for witness.....	65	
Noting all testimony.....	50	50	Levying attachment.....	1 50	
Abstract of cause, etc.....	1 00		Entering and returning same.....	25	
Entering each decree.....	75	25	Selling property attached.....		
For every 100 words over 500.....	15		Impaneling jury.....	75	
Taking account, etc.....	3 00		Executing writ of possession.....	2 50	
Taking testimony, etc.....	15		Collecting execution for costs.....	1 50	
Each report, 500 words or less.....	2 50		Serving and returning sci. fa., each.....	65	
For every 100 words over 500.....	15		Serving and returning notice.....	65	
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc.....	2 00		Serving and returning writ of injunction.....	1 50	
Issuing each subpoena.....	25		Serving and returning writ of exeat.....	1 50	
Witness certificate, each.....	25		Taking and approving bonds, each.....	75	
Issuing execution, each.....	75		Collecting money on execution.....	2 50	
Entering each return.....	15		Making deed.....	1 00	
Taking and approving bond, each.....	1 00	2 00	Serving and returning application, etc.....	1 00	
Making copy of bill, etc.....	15	57	Serving attachment, contempt of court.....	1 50	
Each notice not otherwise provided for.....	50	2 00	Total Fees of Sheriff		<i>2 15</i>
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal.....	50	2 00	<b>RECAPITULATION.</b>		
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal.....	25		Register's Fees.....		
Hearing and passing on application, etc.....	3 00		Sheriff's Fees.....		<i>224 67</i>
Each settlement with receiver, etc.....	3 00		Commissioner's Fees.....		<i>2 1</i>
Examining each voucher of receiver, etc.....	10		Solicitor's Fees.....		
Examining each answer, etc.....	3 00		Witness Fees.....		
Recording resignation, etc.....	75		Guardian Ad Litem.....		
Entering each certificate to Supreme Court.....	50		Printer's Fees.....		
Taking questions and answers, etc.....	25		Trial Tax.....	3 00	
For all other service relating to such proceedings.....	1 00		Recording Decree in Probate Court.....		
For services in proceeding to relieve minors, etc.,					
same fees as in similar cases.					
Commission on sales, etc.: 1st \$100, 2 per cent.;					
all over \$100, and not exceeding \$1,000, $1\frac{1}{2}$					
per ct.; all over \$1,000, and not exceeding					
\$20,000, 1 per ct.; all over \$20,000, 1-4 of 1					
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			Total.....		<i>228 82</i>

Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Ala.

In Equity

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Complainant.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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BALDWIN COUNTY

~~VS~~

GATEWOOD NAVAL STORES CO.  
AND JOHN A. CARLTON,

Defendants.

Come Stone & Stone and withdraw their appearance  
as Solicitors for Defendants in this cause.

Stone & Stone

# The State of Alabama

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

I, S. H. BLAN, Secretary of State, do hereby certify that the pages hereto attached, contain a true, accurate and literal copy of Certificate designating Agent and known place of business in Alabama in pursuance of Section 3642 of the Code of Alabama 1907 filed in office of the Secretary of State of the State of Alabama, February 15, 1916.

as the same appears on file and of record in this office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, this 15th day of January One Thousand Nine Hundred and twenty-six.

  
Secretary of State.



CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING AGENT AND PLACE OF BUSINESS IN ALABAMA,  
FOR FILING IN OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE OF ALABAMA.

Office of West Florida Naval Stores Company.

Located at Pensacola, Florida.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 3642 of the Code of  
Alabama 1907, and Section 232 of the Constitution of Alabama, 1901,

West Florida Naval Stores Company,  
a corporation or association organized under the laws of the state of Florida,  
and having its principal place of business at Pensacola,  
in the city of Pensacola State of Florida,  
herewith files a certified copy of its articles of incorporation or association  
under the laws of said State of Florida and designates as its known place  
of business in the State of Alabama, Brewton in the city of Brewton,  
County of Escambia, and as its authorized agent thereat, John D. Leigh,  
on whom, as such agent, service of process may be made and all legal notices  
served, for all the purposes contemplated by the laws of the State of Alabama.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said corporation or association has caused

these presents to be signed by its  
President and Secretary, and attested  
by its corporate seal, at its office  
in Pensacola, Florida.

this 14th day of February, 1916.

(SEAL)

R. E. Mitchell President.

D. J. Hayes Secretary.

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and John A. Carlton.

In the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama,  
Sitting in Equity.

To Messrs. Stone & Stone, attorneys for respondents:

You will please take notice that on the submission of this cause before Hon. B. F. McMillan, Jr., special judge to try and determine the same, which submission will be had at Montgomery on Tuesday, February 9th, the complainant will offer in evidence the following documentary evidence:-

Certified copy of certificate of the West Florida Naval Stores Company designating John D. Leigh as agent and Brewton, Alabama, as known place of business in Alabama, in pursuance of Section 3642 of Code of Alabama of 1907, filed in the office of the Secretary of State of State of Alabama February 15th, 1916.

Affidavit and certificate of the West Florida Naval Stores Company showing funds received from J. A. Vaughn, receiver in this cause.

This February 5th, 1926.

  
Attorney for Complainant.

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In the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama,  
Sitting in Equity.

West Florida Naval Stores  
Company, a corporation,  
vs.  
Gatwood Naval Stores Co.,  
a corporation, G. W. Taylor  
and John A. Carlton.

To Messrs. Stone & Stone, attorneys for respondents:  
You will please take notice that on the submission  
of this cause before Hon. B. F. McMillan, Jr., special judge  
to try and determine the same, which submission will be had  
at Montgomery on Tuesday, February 9th, the complainant will  
offer in evidence the following documentary evidence:-  
Certified copy of certificate of the West Florida  
Naval Stores Company, bearing John D. Deigh as agent and  
Brewton, Alabama, as known place of business in Alabama,  
in pursuance of Section 3025 of Code of Alabama of 1907,  
filed in the office of the Secretary of State of State  
of Alabama February 15th, 1916.  
Affidavit and certificate of the West Florida Naval  
Stores Company showing funds received from J. A. Vaughn,  
receiver in this cause.  
This February 7th, 1926.

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a copy of the  
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and the affidavit  
and will  
bring them  
to court on  
Tuesday.

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Attorney for complainant.

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I hereby certify  
that I have  
copies of all the  
notice to show  
to some party  
pursuant to the  
provisions of the  
law.  
On this 7th day of  
February  
1926  
J. A. Vaughn

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES COMPANY  
VS.  
GATEWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY, ET AL,

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

TO THE HONORABLE B.F. McMILLAN, JR., SPECIAL JUDGE  
SITTING IN THE AFORESAID CAUSE:

Your petitioner, West Florida Naval Stores company,  
the complainant in the foregoing stated cause, most respect-  
fully represents unto your Honor:

FIRST.

That the original bill in this cause was filed  
October 12th., 1917; that the bill at that time was filed by  
Messrs. Hamilton & Leigh, attorneys of Brewton and Greenville,  
Alabama, and Messrs. Watson & Pasco, attorneys of Pensacola,  
Florida; that upon the filing of said bill the complainant  
proceeded to prepare its case and get said case ready for trial,  
and submission; that on the 11th. day of May, 1918, complainant  
took orally its testimony before a commissioner duly and legally  
appointed at Pensacola, Florida, and the same was certified to  
by such commissioner and forwarded to the Register in Chancery  
at Bay Minette, Alabama, to be duly filed by him in such cause;  
that upon the completion and filing of said testimony complainant  
was ready for submission and has been ready at all times for  
submission of said cause, but that a portion of said testimony  
has been mislaid or lost, <sup>without fault or trust of Compt.</sup> and complainant is unable ~~to procure at this time~~  
*to locate* the same, and that testimony will have to be retaken.

SECOND.

That subsequent to the taking of said testimony by  
complainant the respondent took a part of its testimony, but  
had not completed the taking of the testimony and the matter  
was continued for that purpose.

THIRD.

That subsequent to the filing of the bill of complaint  
in this cause and the taking of the testimony by the complainant,  
the Honorable John D. Leigh, who is a member of the firm of  
Hamilton & Leigh who filed the bill in this cause, was elected

and duly qualified as Judge of the Twenty-first Judicial Circuit of the State of Alabama, Baldwin County being a part of said circuit; that said John D. Leigh upon qualifying as said Judge, withdrew from said cause and he is disqualified by reason of being counsel therein to hear and determine said cause, and that said cause was continued from time to time without the same being submitted, as no judge had been appointed to try said cause, or hold the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama.

FOURTH.

That on August 11th., 1925, without any notice to complainant, or complainant's counsel, all of the counsel for complainant being non-residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, the cause was taken up and a special Judge proceeded to hear and determine said cause. Counsel for complainant is not informed as to the manner that such special judge was appointed, and is not informed as to who made such appointment, other than it has been stated to him that such appointment was made by the Honorable Tom Richerson, Register in Chancery at Baldwin County, Alabama, but as to this fact he does not know. Without the knowledge of complainant or its counsel, the cause was taken up for submission and Honorable B.F. McMillan, Jr., a practicing attorney of Mobile, Alabama, acted as special judge to hear and determine such cause, and it was represented to him that the order hereinafter set out was agreed upon between complainant and respondent or their counsel, and that upon such statement and representation the Honorable Benjamin F. McMillan, Jr., as such special Judge made and entered the following order:

"August 11th., 1925. Order cause to be submitted within sixty days from this date and if not submitted within that time the cause will stand dismissed without prejudice and the Register will issue notice of the order to the solicitors of the respective parties.

(signed) B.F. McMillan, Jr.,  
Special Judge."

Petitioner alleges that neither it nor either of its counsel made or entered into any agreement with any party for the making and entering of such order and that such order was made without



its knowledge or consent.

FIFTH.

Petitioner alleges that at the time said order was made, its testimony had been taken and it now ought to be permitted to submit its cause, as great injustice and inequity will be done petitioner if it is not permitted to submit its cause, as it had been diligent at all times in the preparation of the case and has had its cause ready for submission since 1918.

SIXTH.

Petitioner alleges that it has been no fault on its part that said cause was not submitted and it now asks that the Court take under consideration the submission of said cause upon the testimony which it has taken heretofore.

SEVENTH.

Petitioner alleges that the order was entered either by mistake or accident on the part of the Court, the Court not being familiar with the facts above related, and no counsel for complainant was present when the cause was called and said order was entered upon the representation that said order had been agreed upon between the parties to the cause, and petitioner alleges that neither counsel for complainant had any knowledge or notice that said cause would be called or that a special judge would be appointed to try said cause; *and no counsel was made that said is the interest* that no notice was given counsel in the manner as provided by law of the day set for the hearing of said cause, and had counsel had such notice, he would have been on hand ready to represent the interest of complainant and to submit said cause.

EIGHTH.

Petitioner alleges that said order was made on the 11th. day of August, 1925, and this petition is made and presented during the term at which said order was made.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your petitioner prays:

1.- That a rehearing be granted your petitioner in this cause, and that the order heretofore made by this Honorable Court on August 11th., 1925, be set aside and the Court proceed

to take said cause under submission for final decree, and petitioner be permitted to have its cause heard upon the merits, as in good conscience and equity it should be allowed so to do; that the Court such such other and further orders and decrees as would be just and right in the premises.

C. E. HAMILTON,

Attorney for West Florida Naval Stores Company.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

MOBILE COUNTY.

Personally appeared before me, Lelia C. Harris, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, C.E. Hamilton, Sr., *Subscribed for Campbell.* who being by me first duly sworn, doth say that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are true as therein stated.

*C. E. Hamilton*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th. day of December, 1925.

*Lelia C. Harris*  
Notary Public, Mobile County, Alabama.

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No \_\_\_\_\_

PETITION BY JOHN A. CARLTON.  
To be allowed to defend.

CIRCUIT COURT,  
BALDWIN COUNTY,  
STATE OF ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

West Fla. Naval Stores Co., Inc.,

-vs-

Gateswood Naval Stores Co., Inc. "et al"

Hamilton & Leigh,  
Attorneys for Pltffs.

H. Clay Smith,  
John C. Avery, &  
Stone & Stone,  
Attys for Defts,

Filed in this office this  
November 14th, 1917.

*J. W. ...* CLERK.

**RECORDED**

STONE & STONE  
ATTORNEYS  
BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

*original*

STATE OF FLORIDA.)  
ESCAMBIA COUNTY. )

Before me, *W. D. Bachory*, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, personally appeared John A. Carlton, who is known to me, and who, after being by me first duly and legally sworn, deposes and says under oath;

That he is over the age of Twenty-one Years (21yrs.) and is a resident of Moultrie, County of Colquitt, State of Georgia. That on, to-wit; the 29th day of May, 1916, the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation, incorporated under the laws of Alabama, and doing a naval stores business at or near Gateswood, in Baldwin County, State of Alabama, made and executed and delivered, for a valuable consideration, a mortgage, dated May 29th, 1916, to E. F. Taylor, of Colquitt County, Georgia. That the said mortgage was, for a valuable consideration, on the 25 day of July, 1916, sold, transferred and assigned by the said E. F. Taylor to John A. Carlton. That on October 19th, 1917, the West Florida Naval Stores Company, a corporation, filed a suit in the Chancery Court of Baldwin County, State of Alabama against the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation, and that the subject matter of said suit is the property described in the aforesaid mortgage. That he is the owner of the said mortgage, has never parted with the title thereto and that it has never been paid.

*John A. Carlton*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1917.

*W. D. Bachory*  
Notary Public, Escambia County, Fla.

*my Commission Expires May 9<sup>th</sup> 1918*

STATE OF ALABAMA. )  
( IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA. )

-IN EQUITY-

To the Honorable, The Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, and the Honorable A. H. Gamble, Judge of said Court, sitting in Equity;

Your Petitioner, John A. Carlton, respectfully represents

unto Your Honor. That he is over the age of twenty-one years and a

resident of Moultrie in the County of Colquitt, State of Georgia; that

on to-wit, the 29th day of May, 1916, the Gateswood Naval Stores Comp-

any, of Baldwin County, Alabama, a corporation under the laws of the

State of Alabama and one of the Defendants in the case of "West Florida

Naval Stores Company, a corporation -vs- Gateswood Naval Stores Comp-

any, a corporation, and G. F. Taylor," executed and delivered, for a

valuable consideration, a mortgage to the above named G. F. Taylor, of

Colquitt County, Georgia, who is also one of the Defendants in this

cause; said mortgage being on the property which is the subject-matter

of the above named suit now pending in this Honorable Court; that there-

after, and before the bringing of the above named suit, on to-wit; t

25th day of July, 1916, said G. F. Taylor, did sell, transfer and as

sign said mortgage to Petitioner and that your Petitioner is still the

owner of said mortgage and has never parted with the title thereto and

that said mortgage has never been paid. A copy of the said mortgage to

G. F. Taylor being set out in the original bill of complaint in the a-

bove cause filed as an exhibit thereto, it is made a part of this petit

ion by reference to said bill of complaint.

Your Petitioner claims some interest in the subject of the

Bill aforesaid and prays for a summons to him to answer, plead or de-

mand; that notice of this Petition be given to the Plaintiff in this

cause under the rules and practices of this Honorable Court and that

Your Petitioner be made a party defendant in said suit in this court

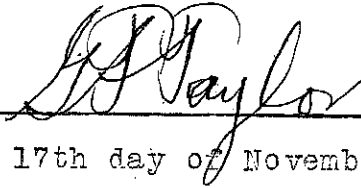
now pending.

Solicitors for Petitioner.

JOHN A. CARLTON,  
Petitioner,  
By, Stone & Stone,  
A. Clay Smith,  
John C. Curry.

GEORGIA, COLQUITT COUNTY.

Personally comes G.F. Taylor, who on oath deposes and says that on or about the 25th day of July, 1916, for value received, he transferred and delivered to John A. Carlton, without recourse, all his right, title and interest in and to a certain mortgage and note made payable to himself by the Gatewood Naval Stores Company, for the sum of approximately \$20,000.00. (Affiant does not remember the exact amount of said note and mortgage to secure the same. Affiant, as above stated, has transferred, without recourse, all his right, title and interest to said note and mortgage to the said Carlton, and has no interest therein.

  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 17th day of November, 1917.

Alfred R. Kluis, Notary Public  
State of Georgia at large.

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Filed 11/21/1917  
J. D. Richmond  
Register

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES COMPANY,  
a Corporation,

v.

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY, a  
Corporation, G. F. TAYLOR AND  
JOHN A. CARLTON,

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

To Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a Corporation,  
G. F. Taylor, and John A. Carlton, or Messrs. Stone & Stone,  
their Attorneys of Record:

You will please take notice that a petition has been  
filed by J. A. Vaughan, as Receiver in the above stated cause,  
praying for the sale of property now in his possession, as such  
Receiver, and the Honorable A. E. Gamble, Judge of the Second  
Judicial Circuit, has set the hearing of said petition down at  
the Courthouse at Greenville, Alabama, at ten o'clock, A. M.,  
on Saturday, the 16th day of February 1918, at which time you  
may appear and contest said petition, if you see fit so to do.  
A copy of said petition is heroby attached to this notice.

This the 11th day of February 1918.

T. W. Richardson  
Register in Chancery.

Service accepted this Feb 11th  
1918.

Stone & Stone  
of counsel for  
defendant  
John A. Carlton  
only, and  
Gateswood Naval  
Stores Co. only.



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West Fla. Naval  
Stores Co

Waterwood Naval  
Stores Co, et al.

Notice of hearing  
Petition to sell  
property

Filed in of -  
Case Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1918

T. W. Dickinson  
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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO.

CIRCUIT COURT BALDWIN COUNTY, EQUITY.

VS.

SPRING TERM 1918.

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO. ET. ALS.

IN CHANCERY AT BAY MINETTE.

It is agreed between Complainant and Respondents to the foregoing cause that commission may issue to Rosa Zung of Pensacola, Florida, as Commissioner to take the depositions of R. F. Mitchell, A. R. McAllister, Miss Nellie Attridge, O. M. Bennett, D. J. Hayes, G. C. Richards, W. H. Watson and J. A. Vaughan, witnesses for Complainant, and John A. Carlton, J. C. Howell and V. H. McKown, witnesses for Respondent.

That said testimony shall be taken orally on May 13th, 1918, at Pensacola, Florida, and the taking of same may be continued from day to day until the taking of said testimony is completed. That all notices of the taking of said testimony and all other preliminary notices relative to same are hereby waived.

Haunton & Leigh

SOL. FOR COMPLAINANT

Stone & Stone  
SOL. FOR RESPONDENTS.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,  
IN EQUITY.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon Gateswood Naval Stores Company,  
a Corporation and G.F.Taylor.

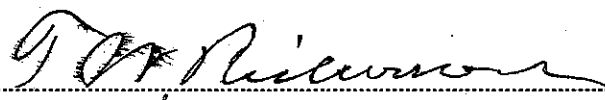
of Baldwin County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to  
answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by  
West Florida Naval Stores Company, a Corporation.

against said Gates Wood Naval Stores Company a Corporation and G.F.Taylor.

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, T. W. Richerson, Register of said Circuit Court, this 18th day of October

1917.

  
Register.

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.

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CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,  
IN EQUITY.

No. 53.

SUMMONS.

West Florida Naval Stores Co.

vs.  
Gateswood Naval Stores Co.,

Et---als.

Hamilton and Leigh.  
Solicitor for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Received in office this 17th

day of October, 1917

C. E. Curbants  
Sheriff.

Executed this 19 day of

Oct 1917

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with  
W. H. Crown, vice Pres  
of Gateswood Naval Stores Co.  
Defendant Co

C. E. Curbants  
Sheriff

By W. B. Richerson  
Deputy Sheriff.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

West Florida Naval Stores Company, a corporation, Complainant.

vs.

Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation, et al. Defendant.

To West Florida Naval Stores Company, a corporation,

or Hamilton & Leigh, Brewton, Alabama.

their, Solicitors of Record:

You are hereby notified that interrogatories have this day been filed by Stone & Stone, Solicitors for Respondents in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, to be propounded to J. C. Howell, Jr., Elkin G. Taylor and G. F. Taylor, all of Moultrie Georgia, Colquitt County

witnesses for the Respondent in the above stated cause. A copy of which interrogatories may be had upon application to said Clerk; and you can file cross-interrogatories, if you think proper, within ten days after service of this notice, at the expiration of which time a commission will issue to take

the deposition of said witness. The witness reside in Moultrie Colquitt in the County of Colquitt in the State of Alabama

and the Commissioner proposed by the Respondents, to-wit:

W. F. Way,

reside in Moultrie in the County of Colquitt in the State of Georgia

Witness my hand, at office in Bay Minette, Alabama, this the eighteenth day of

July 1918.

J. M. Williams

Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

West Florida Naval Stores Co.,  
a corporation,

Complainant  
vs.

Gateswood Naval Stores Co.,  
a corporation et al.

Defendant

NOTICE OF INTERROGATORIES.

To Hamilton & Leigh, Attorneys  
for Complainants, Brewton, Ala.

Please serve copy  
on Hamilton & Leigh

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Received in office this  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Sheriff.

Executed on this 19\_\_\_\_  
day of July 1918  
by leaving a copy of the within notice  
with J. D. Leigh  
Collector of Record for \_\_\_\_\_

J. H. Kelly  
Sheriff.

To Hon. T. W. Richerson, Register in Chancery for Baldwin County,  
Alabama.

In the cause enstyled WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO. VS. GATES  
WOOD NAVAL STORES CO. ET AL pending in the Circuit Court for the Second  
Judicial Circuit of Alabama, the Complainant requires an oral examina-  
tion of the witnesses instead of by interrogatories. The witnesses  
required to be orally examined are J. C. Howell Jr., Elkin G. Taylor  
and G. F. Taylor, each of whom reside at Moultrie Georgia. Said ex-  
amination to be had and taken before the commissioner named in the  
interrogatories

*L. H. Hunter & L. H. Hunter  
Attorneys at Law*

Solicitors for Compt.

It is hereby ordered that ten <sup>notice</sup> days be and the same is hereby  
fixed, be given by solicitors for respondents to the complainant  
or its Solicitor of Record in this cause of the time and place of  
the examination of said witnesses named in said requirement of an  
oral examination.

Witness, this 24th day of July, 1918.

*T. W. Richerson*  
Register in Chancery.



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West Fla Naval  
Stores Co

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Waterwood  
Naval Stores Co

Filed in Office  
this July 28/18

D. W. Rice

Register in Charge

W. J. Gage  
J. G. Gage

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West Florida Naval Stores  
Company, a corporation,

vs.

Gatewood Naval Stores Co.,  
a corporation,  
G. F. Taylor and John A.  
Carlton.

In the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama,  
Sitting in Equity.

Complainant, being called, offers the following  
testimony, towit:-

1st. Original bill filed in the cause and the  
exhibits thereto.

2nd. Depositions of J. C. Howell, Jr. and the  
exhibits thereto.

3rd. Depositions of V. H. McKeown and exhibits  
thereto.

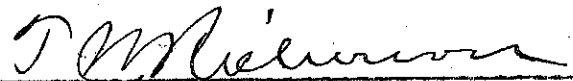
4th. Depositions of R. F. Mitchell and exhibits  
thereto.

5th. Depositions of A. R. McAllister and exhibits  
thereto.

6th. Certified copy of certificate of the West  
Florida Naval Stores Company designating John D. Leigh as  
agent and Brewton, Alabama, as known place of business in  
Alabama, in pursuance of Section 3642 of Code of Alabama of  
1907, filed in the office of the Secretary of State of State  
of Alabama February 15th, 1916.

7th. Affidavit and certificate of the West Florida  
Naval Stores Company showing funds received from J. A. Vaughn,  
receiver in this cause.

This February 6th, 1926.



REGISTER.

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I hereby certify that  
I made copy of  
same for use  
prior to Stone & Stone  
Brynmantleville  
Feb 6<sup>th</sup> 1926  
J. W. Hickman

Filed: Feb 6, 1926,  
J. W. Hickman  
Register

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES  
COMPANY,  
Complainant.

-vs-

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
EQUITY SIDE  
STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO.  
AND JOHN A. CARLTON,  
Defendants.

Come Stone & Stone and withdraw their appearance  
as Solicitors for Defendants in this cause.

Howe, Stone

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Stores Co  
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as witnesses for defendants in this cause,  
Come along along and witness their appearance

Filed Feb 11th 1926  
J. W. Rice  
Register

James Rice

Defendants.

THE JOHN A. O'BRIEN,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, PHOENIX, AZ.

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DEPT. OF COUNTY  
SERIES OF VINDICATA  
EQUITY SIDE  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

COMPLAINT  
GALWOOD NAVAL STORES

his said report and file the same in the cause in seven days from the date of this decree, and shall furnish to the solicitors of ~~the~~ complainant and respondents a copy of such report at the time of the filing of the same in the cause.

Done at Chambers, this the 16th. day of February, 1918,  
at Greenville, Alabama.

A. L. Gaubley

Judge.

*Handwritten notes:*  
Chambers  
2/16/18  
A. L. Gaubley

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The enclosed contains a copy of the report of the  
Commission on the Administration of Justice  
for the year ending June 30, 1918.  
The report is being distributed to all  
members of the Commission and to the  
Governors of the several States.  
The Commission desires to express its  
appreciation of the interest and assistance  
of the Department of Justice in the  
preparation of this report.  
Very truly yours,  
The Commission on the Administration of Justice

Very truly yours,  
The Commission on the Administration of Justice

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Filed 2/18/1918  
J. W. Zimmerman  
Register

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West Florida Naval Stores		IN CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
Company, a corporation,		COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY.
vs.		
Gateswood Naval Stores		
Company, et al.		

This cause coming on to be heard upon the petition of the Receiver for an order and decree for the sale of certain property described in the petition and in his hands as Receiver, and it appearing to the court that notice of hearing of said petition has been given, and the solicitors of record for complainant and respondents being present, and consenting that an order and decree ~~of~~ for the sale of said property by the receiver shall be made; and the court being satisfied that it will be to the interest of the parties to the suit, that said petition be granted and that the Receiver, J. A. Vaughan, be ordered and directed to sell the said property described in his said petition:

It is therefore, considered, decreed and ordered that said J. A. Vaughan as Receiver, shall sell all of the property described in his said petition at public outcry on the premises where said property is now situated, to the highest bidder for cash, after first having given two weeks notice by publication in the Pensacola Journal, a newspaper published in Pensacola in the State of Florida, and in the Mobile Register, a newspaper published in Mobile, Alabama, and after giving five days written notice before such sale to the solicitors of record of complainant and respondents, of the time, place, terms of sale and a description of the property to be sold.

It is further ordered that said Receiver file his report of all of his acts and doing in relation to the property heretofore sold by him under the order and decree of this court. In his report he shall show the property sold by him, the dates of such sales, ~~to~~ the parties to whom sales were made, and the price received by him for such property. He will also show by his said report the expenses incurred and moneys paid out by him in the handling and sales of said property. Said Receiver shall make



LAW OFFICES  
POWELL & HAMILTON  
GREENVILLE, ALA.

May 10, 1918.

D.M. POWELL.  
C.E. HAMILTON.

Hon. T..W. Richardson,  
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Sir:           In re West Florida Naval Stores vs Gateswood  
                          Naval Stores Co., et als.

Enclosed I am handing you agreement in the fore-  
going stated cause, agreeing that a Commission may issue to  
Miss Rosa Zung of Pensacola, Florida, to take the depositions  
of witnesses for both sides orally. Please have Messrs. Stone  
& Stone to sign the agreement and issue commission and send to  
Miss Rosa Zung at Pensacola, Fla., as we will go to Pensacola  
Sunday afternoon to take the testimony.

Yours truly,

CEH:P.



was present? What was the consideration of the transfer? Did John A. Carleton pay you anything for the transfer of said note and mortgage? If yea, what? Did he pay you money? If yea, how was it paid? If by check, on what bank and the amount of the check? If more than one check give me the date of each and the name of the Bank upon which each was drawn? Give the amount of each? Did Carleton pay you any cash? If yea, how much and when? What is the business of Carleton? How long have you known him? Is he a man of means? Is he related to you? Have you any business connection with him? What brought up the negotiation between you and Carleton? Did not Carleton know the Gateswood Naval Stores Company was indebted to Complainants in a large amount? If you answer that Carleton is a man of means then state his estimated worth? In what does his worth consist? State the consideration of the transfer of the note and mortgage if other than checks or cash? Give in detail each item of cash or property showing the consideration of the transfer of the note and mortgage from you to Carleton? Have you done so? If not, why have you not done so? Don't you know Carleton is not owner of said note and mortgage? Don't you know that the note and mortgage were transferred by you to Carleton without the payment of money or transfer of property but with the understanding that he was to sue on it and divide with you whatever was recovered? Don't you know that said note and mortgage is not now the property of Carleton but has been hypothecated and was only released for the purpose of this litigation? Have you told the true facts about the ownership of the note and mortgage?

WATSON & PASCO  
HAMILTON & LEIGH  
Attorneys for Complainant.

The Complainant suggests Mr. T. H. Parker, Esq., of Moultrie, Georgia as a suitable and proper person to act as a joint Commissioner to take the testimony of the witnesses named in the Interrogatories.

WATSON & PASCO  
HAMILTON & LEIGH  
Attorneys for Complainant.

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Stover Co

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Company? When did you acquire your interest in the Company? How long did you own such interest? When did you part with same? To whom did you part with it?"

Second Cross Interrogatory to J. C. Howell Jr. and Elkin G. Taylor:

What was the consideration of the mortgage you have testified about purporting to be made to G. F. Taylor? Was it money advanced, if yea, when and to whom was the money advanced? Was the money paid in cash or by check? If by check, to whom was the check payable and on what Bank were such checks drawn? Where are such checks? If you answer it was paid in money state the kind of money and who was present when paid. If you have attached a copy of a purported resolution or the purported resolution itself, then state whether or not you were present when such resolution was offered and passed? If yea, who else besides yourself was present? Who offered the resolution? Who wrote it? Who was the secretary of the Corporation? Who was the secretary of the meeting at the time of its passage? Was it passed at a stock holders meeting or a Directors meeting? Who kept the minutes of the meeting? Were the minutes of this meeting of Corporation copied in the minute book? If yea, who copied them in the book? On what page of the minute book are they found? Where is the minute book now? Where did you get the resolution you are now offering in evidence, did you copy the same from any book? If yea, when? If you did not, who did and when?

Cross Interrogatories to be propounded to G. F. Taylor.

First Cross Interrogatory:

What was the consideration of the note and mortgage? Did you actually advance any money under said note and mortgage? If yea, how much, when and how? Did you advance said money by cash or check? If by check, on what Bank? Where are such checks? Please attach them to your answers and mark them as exhibits thereto? To whom were said checks payable? If you advanced cash when and who was present and to whom was such cash paid?

Second Interrogatory.

Did you transfer the note and mortgage inquired about to John A. Carlton? If yea, when? Was such transfer in writing? Who wrote such writing? If you say you signed such a transfer who

Co.? And for grounds of such objection:

1st. It calls for a conclusion of witness.

2nd. It seeks the opinion of witness without calling for the facts upon which witness could base such an opinion.

3rd. It calls for a legal conclusion.

Complainant objects to the following question propounded to said witness: "Did the signers of this note sign as individuals or as officers of and as act of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company?" For grounds of objection Complainant assigns the following:

1st. Because the note is the best evidence and speaks for itself.

2nd. Because it calls for a conclusion of witness.

Complainant objects to the question contained in the third interrogatory propounded to Elkin G. Taylor as follows: "Did you have authority from Gateswood Naval Stores Company to sign and execute said mortgage?" and for grounds of such objection assigns the following:

1st. Because it calls for a conclusion of witness.

2nd. Because it seeks for have witness testify as to a legal conclusion.

Complainant objects to the question propounded said witness in the third interrogatory as follows: "Was you authorized to so sign as the officer and for the act of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company?" For grounds of objection assign the following:

1st. Because it calls for conclusion of witness.

2nd. Because it calls for a legal conclusion.

3rd. No facts are shown showing the authority of witness to execute said mortgage.

Complainant now without waiving the demand for oral examination as herein above set forth and without waiving the objections to the interrogatories hereby propounds the following Cross Interrogatories to the witnesses J. C. Howell Jr., Elkin G. Taylor and G. F. Taylor:

First Cross Interrogatory to J. C. Howell Jr. and Elkin G. Taylor:

"What interest did you have in Gateswood Naval Stores

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO.,

-vs-

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY,

IN EQUITY.

Now comes the West Florida Naval Stores Company, a Corporation, and not waiving its right for the oral examination, which it has already demanded of the witnesses J. C. Howell Jr., Elkin G. Taylor and G. F. Taylor, but hereby expressly demands an oral examination of each witness by the Commissioner named and hereby requests and demands that the Commissioner to whom such commission issue, shall give to either the firm of Watson & Pasco of Pensacola, Florida or Hamilton & Leigh of Brewton, Alabama, Solicitors for Complainant, reasonable notice of the time and place of the taking of such testimony, ten days notice being considered by Counsel for Complainant a reasonable notice. Such demand being made by virtue of the Statute of Alabama, there being involved in the controversy more than Five Thousand Dollars, and without in any way prejudicing Complainant's right to such oral examination, the following objections and Cross Interrogatories are hereby filed to the direct interrogatories filed by Respondents to the witnesses above named.

Complainant objects to the following question propounded to witness J. C. Howell Jr.: "Did you sign it as President with full authority from Gateswood Naval Stores Co., a Corporation" For grounds of objection the following grounds are assigned:

- 1st. Because it calls for a conclusion of the witness.
- 2nd. Because said question calls for a legal conclusion.
- 3rd. Because said question does not elicit the facts which would show by what authority the mortgage in question was executed but seeks for witness to give his conclusion as a matter of law.

Complainant objects to the following question propounded to said witness: "Did anyone else besides yourself sign said mortgage in behalf of and as officers of the Gateswood Naval Stores

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( BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
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( IN EQUITY.  
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Comes the complainant in the above stated cause,  
and answering the petition filed by John A. Carlton on Novem-  
ber the 14th, 1917, wherein the said John A. Carlton prays  
that he be made a party defendant in the above stated cause,  
this complainant hereby consents that the said John A. Carlton  
be made such defendant as prayed for in said petition, and that  
a decree may be entered in accordance therewith by this Honor-  
able Court.

HAMILTON & LEIGH,

Solicitors for Complainant.

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES COMPANY

-vs-

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY

IN CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY.

Personally appeared before me O. A. Lane, Notary Public  
a Notary Public. In ~~and~~ for said state and county C. E. Hamilton who  
being by me first duly sworn on oath doth say that he is one of the  
attorneys for Complainant in the foregoing cause and that in the be-  
lief of affiant <sup>it is mutual</sup> that the testimony of witnesses J. C. Howell Jr.,  
Elkin G. Taylor and G. F. Taylor, to whom Respondents have filed inter-  
rogatories be taken orally.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this July 27th, 1918.

O. A. Lane  
N. P.

C. Hamilton

West Fla. Naval  
Stores Co.

Gulfwood Naval  
Stores Co. et al

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES COMPANY,  
VS.  
GATEWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY, ET. AL.

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

This day being the day set by the Court to hear and determine the petition of the Complainant the West Florida Naval Stores for a rehearing and the setting aside the order of the Court made and entered into on August 11th, 1925, a copy of which order being set out in the petition and the parties appearing in Court by counsel, C. E. Hamilton appearing as counsel for Complainant and ~~Frank C.~~ <sup>W. Stone</sup> Stone appearing as counsel for Respondent, and it being made known to the Court that, notice of the intention of filing said petition and the time and place of said petition being waved by Respondents and said petition being submitted to the Court for its consideration and determination, the Court thereupon proceeded to hear and determine same and upon consideration of said petition which is duly sworn to as provided by law and the evidence offered in support of same, no evidence being offered in opposition thereto, it is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said petition be and the same is hereby in all things granted and that a rehearing in said cause be granted and the order therein referred to as set out in the petition as having been made on August, 1925, be and the same is hereby set aside and the decree dismissing said cause be and the same is hereby set aside and said cause reinstated on the docket and that the same be submitted for final decree by 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1926, on which day if not submitted earlier, the register of this Court will send the file in said cause for decree.

The ~~parties~~ <sup>parties</sup>, if they so desire may retake the testimony of any witness already taken or take the testimony of any other witness within the time above mentioned.

This Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 1925-

*W. Stone*  
*Spencer*

*shall be set aside and the cause reinstated on the docket*

TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

RE: [REDACTED] COMPANY,  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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FRANK S. STONE

NORBORNE C. STONE

**STONE & STONE**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
BAY MINETTE, ALA.

FEBRUARY ELEVENTH 1926.

Hon. C. E. Hamilton,  
Greenville, Ala.

Dear Sir:-

We are just in receipt of your favor of the 10th. inst. in the Gateswood Naval Stores Company case. We certainly thank you and Judge McMillan for having this matter carried over and we are this day filing formal withdrawal with Mr. Richerson as per inclosed copy. We have wired Mr. Carlton of our action and are also advising him by registered letter and send a copy of withdrawal.

With best regards from the writer, we are,

Yours very truly,

STONE & STONE ATTYS.,

By-



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C. C. Hon. B. F. McMillan,  
Attorney at Law,  
Mobile, Ala.

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES  
COMPANY, a corporation,

v.

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY,  
A CORPORATION, and G. F. TAYLOR.

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

This cause coming on to be heard, is submitted upon the petition of John A. Carlton praying that he be made a party defendant in the above stated cause, and it appearing to the Court that the complainant, the West Florida Naval Stores Company, having filed an answer to said petition consenting that said John A. Carlton be made a party defendant, as prayed for in said petition, and upon consideration by the Court of said petition and said answer, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said John A. Carlton be made a party defendant in said cause, as prayed for in said petition, and that he, the said John A. Carlton be allowed thirty days from the filing of this decree, within which to answer, demur or plead to the original bill in this cause, and failing so to do, that a decree pro confesso be entered against him.

This the 15th day of December 1917.

*W. G. Gauble*

Judge of the Second Judicial  
Circuit, Sitting in Equity.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

This the 12th day of December 1911.

Confessed by and signed before me.

Filed in this cause and waiting no do do, just as George W.

George, within which to answer, demur or plead to the original

John A. Carlton be allowed thirty days from the filing of this

cause, as directed for in said petition, and that he, the said

just said John A. Carlton be made a party defendant in said

cause, as directed in order of the Court and decreeing in said

cause that the said John A. Carlton be made a party defendant

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GATSBYWOOD MARINE STORES COMPANY.

COMMISSIONER OF COLLESSION,  
WEST VIRGINIA MARINE STORES

IN EQUITY.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

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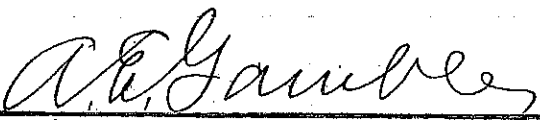
Gateswood Naval Stores Com-  
pany, a corporation, G. F.  
Taylor and John A. Carlton

IN CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

ALABAMA, IN EQUITY.

This cause coming on further to be heard, is submitted on the motion and recommendation of J. A. Vaughan, the Receiver, for a confirmation of the sale of the personal property made by him on the 4th day of March, 1918, pursuant to an order and decree of this Court in the cause, dated the 16th day of February, 1918, as shown by the report of the Receiver filed in the cause. It being made to appear to the Court that a copy of said report has been served upon the Solicitors of all of the parties in interest, and that no objection is made to the sale, and that all of the parties are desirous that the said sale shall be confirmed: It is considered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the said sale as shown by said report be, and the same is hereby, in all things ratified and confirmed. The Receiver is ordered to turn over said personal property made at said sale to R. F. Mitchell, the purchaser thereof, without delay, thereby saving expenses of keeping said property by him.

in Greenville, Ala. <sup>7th</sup>  
Done at Chambers, this, the 7 day of  
March, 1918.

  
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Judge Second Judicial Circuit,  
Sitting in Equity.



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West Florida Naval Stores Co.,  
vs.  
Gatewood Naval Stores Co., etal.

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

In the above stated cause the undersigned  
~~Frank S. Stone~~  
~~Frank S. Stone~~, attorney for respondent in the foregoing  
stated cause, hereby waives a copy of the petition filed  
by the complainant in this cause to have the order of  
August 11th, described in said petition, set aside, a  
rehearing granted and the cause re-instated for hearing,  
and hereby waives the giving of the notice of the Judge  
before whom the said petition was filed and the time  
and place where said petition will be heard and agrees  
that same be heard by Hon. B. F. McMillan, Jr., as  
special judge on this date.

This December 9th, 1925.

  
Attorney for respondents.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALDWIN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA

IN EQUITY.

West Florida Naval Stores Company,  
a corporation,

vs

Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a  
corporation, G. F. Taylor and  
John A. Carlton.


The undersigned, West Florida Naval Stores Company, acknowledges the receipt from J. A. Vaughn, Receiver, as at February 19, 1918, of the sum of Twenty-three hundred and eighty-six and 27/100 (\$2386.27) Dollars, the net balance in his hand from his operations as receiver of the properties of Gateswood Naval Stores Company, as shown by his report covering the period from October 19, 1917 to February 19, 1918, filed in the office of T. W. Richardson, Register, on February 23, 1918.

The undersigned also acknowledges the receipt from the said J. A. Vaughn, Receiver, as of the 4th day of March, 1918, of the sum of Twenty-five hundred (\$2500.00) Dollars, being proceeds of sale of property in his hands at that day and shown by his report filed March 6, 1918 in the office of T. W. Richardson, Register, which sale was confirmed by order made March 7, 1918, in this cause.

The undersigned also acknowledges the receipt of Three Hundred twenty six and 24/100-----Dollars, being net proceeds of sale of twenty-three (23) barrels spirits in the hands of the receiver and unsold at the date of his report covering operations from October 19, 1917 to February 19, 1918.

ATTEST:

  
Secretary

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES COMPANY (SEAL)  
By   
President

ACCOUNT SALES 3 Casks Spirits Turpentine

RECEIVED FROM AND SOLD FOR ACCOUNT OF  
 M. Waldwood N/O B. Receiver Marks gaw

	Packages	No. Casks	Net Gals.	Price	Amount
Date Rec'd 12-21 1927	REG.	3	150	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Date Sold 4-20 1928					
Ex Car <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Ex Tank					
Ex Vessel					
					45 75

CHARGES

FREIGHT 1.17	Ward Tax 04		1 21	
STORAGE		6	18	
INSPECTION		9	27	
TURNED	BROKE	DISHED HEADS		
INSURANCE $\frac{1}{2}$ %		46		
COMMISSION $2\frac{1}{2}$ %		114	160	3.26
Net Proceeds				42.49

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO.,

Pensacola, Fla.,  
April 24 1928

Per [Signature]

ACCOUNT SALES

Casks Spirits Turpentine

RECEIVED FROM AND SOLD FOR ACCOUNT OF

M.

*Hatwood 9/20 Received Marks 900*

	Packages	No. Casks	Net Gals.	Price	Amount
Date Rec'd 12-21 1927	REG.	11	532	30 1/2	
Date Sold 4-20 1928					
Ex Car <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Ex Tank					
Ex Vessel					
					162 26

CHARGES

FREIGHT 4.25	Nov Jan 13			4 41	
STORAGE				66	
INSPECTION		9		99	
TURNED 1 BROKE 30 4 DISHED HEADS 1 <sup>00</sup>				1 20	
INSURANCE 1/2%		162			
COMMISSION 2 1/2%		406		5 68	12 94
				Net Proceeds	149 32

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO.,

Pensacola, Fla.,

*April 24 1928*

Per

*[Signature]*

ACCOUNT SALES

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Casks Spirits Turpentine

RECEIVED FROM AND SOLD FOR ACCOUNT OF

M.

*Balswood Naval Stores Co* Marks *gaw*

	Packages	No. Casks	Net Gals.	Price	Amount
Date Rec'd 2-4 1928	REG.	9	433	33½	
Date Sold 5-3 1928					
Ex Car ✓					
Ex Tank					
Ex Vessel					
					145 06

CHARGES

FREIGHT 3 50	New York			3 61	
STORAGE		6		54	
INSPECTION		9		81	
TURNED 3 BROKE 60	DISHED HEADS			60	
INSURANCE ½%		145			
COMMISSION 2½%		362		5 07	10 63
Net Proceeds					134 43

Pensacola, Fla.,

*May 7* 1928

WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO.,

Per

*M. Bennett*

the said J. A. Vaughan, as said receiver, will remove all of the crude and manufactured turpentine, spirits of turpentine and resin, and all other products including all crude turpentine in the boxes, and all products of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company at the said Gateswood Naval Stores Company's plant in Baldwin County, or which has been manufactured by them from the lands leased by the said Gateswood Naval Stores Company which leases expire on December 1, 1917, and sell said manufactured products at the highest cash market value, and to hold the proceeds derived from the sale thereof until the further orders of this Court.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the officers, agents and employees of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company deliver over to the said J. A. Vaughan, as such receiver, the possession of all of said property.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by this Court that before the said J. A. Vaughan shall enter upon and assume the duties of such receiver, he will make and execute a bond in the sum of Eight Thousand and no/100 (\$8,000.00) Dollars conditioned and payable as required by law, and approved by the Register of this Court, said bond to be payable to said Register, which bond shall, when executed, be filed in this cause.

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. 1917.

A. B. Gault,  
Judge

#  
Baldwin County  
Gateswood



#  
Circuit Court  
Polk County

in  
Equity

That F. L. Moore  
vs  
Moore Co

Subwood Avenue  
Moore Co, Okla

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J. W. Pilem  
Plaintiff

Done by Judge Gault

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COMPANY, a Corporation,

v.

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES COMPANY,  
a Corporation, and G. F. TAYLOR.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

IN EQUITY.

This cause coming on to be heard upon the application for the appointment of a receiver, as prayed for in the original bill, and same being submitted upon the original bill and the exhibits thereto, and it appearing to the Court that notice of the application for the appointment of a receiver having been waived, it is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the complainant is entitled to a receiver, as prayed for, and upon the complainant executing bond in the sum of One Thousand and no/100 (\$1,000.00) Dollars payable and conditioned as required by law, and approved by the Register of this Court, that J. A. Vaughan be and is hereby appointed receiver in this cause, and as such receiver, is authorized, empowered and directed to take possession of the following property:

All of the property of every kind, character and description of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company, a corporation, which property is mentioned, described and conveyed by that certain mortgage of the Gateswood Naval Stores Company to the West Florida Naval Stores Company, a copy of which mortgage is attached to the original bill in this case, and marked Exhibit "A", which is referred to and made a part of this decree.

As such receiver, the said J. A. Vaughan is authorized ~~ka~~ and directed to receive, hold, preserve and administer said estate under the orders and directions of this Court pending this litigation.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that

LAW OFFICES  
POWELL & HAMILTON  
GREENVILLE, ALA.

D. M. POWELL  
C. E. HAMILTON  
C. E. HAMILTON, JR.

Feb. 16th, 1926.

Mr. T. W. Richerson,  
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Sir:-

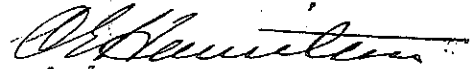
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Enclosed handing you the file in the above stated cause. Judge McMillan has rendered the final decree in the matter, which you will also find enclosed.

Please make out your bill of costs and send to me and same will be forwarded to our clients, West Florida Naval Stores Co., for attention.

With personal regards, I am,

Yours very truly,



H, SR:P.

P. S.

File has been sent by express prepaid.  
C.E.H.

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Amendment to answer  
of Gateswood Naval Stores  
Company.

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T. W. Richmond  
Registrar

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WEST FLORIDA NAVAL STORES CO., :  
a corporation, :  
Complainant. :

-vs-

GATESWOOD NAVAL STORES CO., :  
a corporation, G. F. TAYLOR, :  
and JOHN A. CARLTON, :  
Defendants. :  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT-EQUITY SIDE  
STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

By leave of the Court, first had and obtained, the defendant, Gateswood Naval Stores Company, amends the first paragraph of its answer to complainant's bill of Complaint in this cause filed, so that the same shall read as follows;

"1. Answering the first paragraph of the bill of complaint this defendant says that it admits complainant is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, but it denies that that corporation is authorized to do business in the State of Alabama; that John D. Leigh is its resident agent or that the said complainant was authorized to do business in the State of Alabama in the month of February, 1916. And it denies that the said complainant was authorized to do business in the State of Alabama during the year 1917. And this defendant further answering says, that it is true that this defendant is a corporation under the laws of the State of Alabama, with its principal place of business in Baldwin County, Alabama. And further answering, this defendant says that it does not know whether the defendant G. F. Taylor is over the age of twenty-one years.

*Steve Shaw*

*John C. Avery*

*W. Smith*  
Solicitors of Gateswood Naval Stores Company.