The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Lois Smith Lee , Complainant	
vs.	
Ellis E. Lee , Respondent	
This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, DecreexBiaxConfessox	on
Waiver and Answer and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon co	n-
sideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for	
said bill.	
It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofo existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby dissolved, and that the same	
Lois Smith Lee is forever divorced from t	he
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Abandonment; it is further ordered that the care, custody and cont	ro
of the minor child of the Complainant, Glenda Gail Nelson, and the	<u>}</u>
minor child of said marriage, Cheryl Ann Lee, is awarded to Lois	
Smith Lee, subject to the right of Ellis E. Lee to visit said chil	<u>.a</u> -
ren at reasonable times; the agreement of parties attached hereto	_
as exhibit "A" is approved and both parties are further ordered to	>_
abide by the terms of said agreement which is incorporated in this	3_
decree. It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixth days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said appeal.	
It is further ordered that the Complainant and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted again contract marriage upon payment of the cost of this suit.	to
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the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issu	e.
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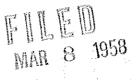
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BILL OF COMPLAINT

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

Comes your Complainant, Lois Smith Lee, and respectfully shows unto this Honorable Court as Follows:

- I. That she is over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama; that Ellis E. Lee, the Respondent in this cause, is over the age of twenty-one and is a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama:
- 2. That on, to-wit, December 23, 1955, your Complainant and the Respondent were intermarried in George County, Mississippi, and that your Complainant and Respondent are still husband and wife; that the Complainant is the mother of a minor child, Glenda Gail Nelson, whose age is three years, and who was born of a prior marriage of the Complainant and a third party; that one child, Cheryl Ann Lee, whose age is one year, has been born of said marriage of said Complainant and Respondent.
- 3. That your Complainant and the Respondent have entered into an agreement with reference to custody and property settlements, a copy of which is attached hereto as exhibit "A" and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein.
- 4. Your Complainant avers and charges that the said Respondent did on or about the 24th day of July, 1956, desert, separate from, and abandon your Complainant, and has not lived with your Complainant since that date; further, that said abandonment occurred more than one year next preceding the following of this bill of complaint; that your Complainant and the Respondent are now living separate and apart.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that Ellis E. Lee be made a party Respondent to this Bill of Complaint by the usual process of this Honorable Court, and the statutes in such case is made and provided, requiring him to plead, answer or demur within the time and in the manner provided by law; and that upon a final hearing of this cause, your Honor will enter a decree divorcing your Complainant from the said Respondent, granting the Complainant the right to remarry; Complainant avers that the agreement set forth in paragraph three of this Bill of Complaint, a copy of which is attached hereto as exhibit "A", is a reasonable, just and proper agreement, and prays this Honorable Court that in the event a decree of divorce is given in this cause, this court will decree that the parties keep and abide by the terms of said agreement; and Complainant further prays that your Honor will grant such other, further, different, and general relief to which the Complainant may be entitled, as in duty bound she will ever pray.

for Complainant

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Solicitor for Complainant

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Christine Callaway, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

My name is Christine Callaway, I am over the age of twentyone years and a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama. I
have known Lois Smith Lee and Ellis E. Lee since December, 1955.
Both Lois Smith Lee and Ellis E. Lee are over the age of twentyone years and have been residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, at
least three years; the said Lois Smith Lee and Ellis E. Lee were
married in Lucedale, George County, Mississippi, on December 23,
1955; I know that Lois is the mother of one child, Glenda Gail
Nelson, whose father is not the Respondent, Ellis E. Lee; that
she and Ellis E. Lee have had one child, Cheryl Ann Lee; that
Cheryl Ann Lee is about one year old. I know that Ellis
abandoned Lois about July, 1956, without cause or justification,
and since that time they have not been living together as man
and wife.

Christine Collaway

CARISTINE CALLAWAY

I,Florence Dean as Register and Commissioner hereby certify
that the foregoing deposition on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of
the witnesses— and read over tome and signed the same in the presence of my-
self and James A. Brice
at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said
witnesses or had proof made before me of the identity of said witnesses; that I am not of
counsel or of kin to any of the parties to said cause, or any manner interested in the result thereof.
I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court.
Given under my hand and seal, this 4th day of March 19458
Flarence Dean (L. S.)

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

AGREEMENT OF PARTIES CONTEMPLATING A DIVORCE WITH REFERENCE TO CUSTODY OF CHILDREN AND PROPERTY RIGHTS

This agreement, made and entered into this 14th day of August, 1957, by and between Ellis E. Lee, hereinafter called husband, and Lois Smith Lee, hereinafter called wife, WITNESSETH:

THAT whereas, various and divers disputes and unhappy differences have arisen between husband and wife, and they are separated and not now living together as husband and wife, and whereas it is the desire of the parties hereto to make a complete and final settlement of all their property, and to settle and adjust all marital interests, now therefore, this argeement is made as follows:

- 1. The wife shall have the care, custody and control of the minor children, Glenda Gail Nelson and Cheryl Ann Lee. The husband shall have the right of visitation at all reasonable times.
- 2. The husband shall not pay to the wife any monies for the support and maintenance of the minor children.
- 3. It is further agreed that any and all property acquired by either party subsequent to the date of this agreement shall be the separate property of the party acquiring same; and each party agrees to execute for the other any and all papers necessary to complete the transfer of property herewith divided and apportioned. It is further agreed that the terms of this agreement may be incorporated in any decree of divorce which may be hereafter obtained by either party, and enforced by contempt proceedings if necessary.

4. It is agreed and understood by the parties that in consideration of this settlement, no further alimony shall be due or shall grow due between these parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 14th day of August, 1957.

Sac(L.S.)

Lois Smith Lee

The State of Alabama

Baldwin County for said County and State, hereby certify that Ellis E. Lee and Lois Smith Lee, whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the instrument they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Witness my hand and seal this 14th day of

Notary Public

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ALICE I. DUCK, Register

WAIVER AND ANSWER

Lois Smith	Lee
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

Comes the respondent in the above styled cause and accepts service of a bill of complaint filed heretofore in said cause; waives notice of the filing of interrogatories in said cause, and the right to cross same; waives notice of the taking of testimony in said cause, and consents that the same may be taken and the cause submitted for final decree.

And for answer to the bill of complaint heretofore filed in this cause, respondent says:

- l. He admits the allegations contained in paragraph l of said bill of complaint.
- He admits the allegations contained in paragraph
 of said bill of complaint.
- 3. He admits the allegations contained in paragraph
 3 of said bill of complaint.
- 4. He denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 4 of said bill of complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

Respondent

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

I, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that Ellis E. Lee, whose name is signed to the foregoing waiver, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the waiver, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal, on this the ________, 1957.

Notary Public

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