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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

RUTH DICKERSON, Complainant

vs.

WILLIAM DICKERSON, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~[illegible]~~ Answer and Waiver and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in said bill.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby dissolved, and that the said Ruth Dickerson is forever divorced from the said William Dickerson for and on account of Cruelty

It is futher ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said appeal.

It is futher ordered that the Complainant and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon payment of the cost of this suit.

It is futher ordered that Ruth Dickerson the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issue.

This 29 day of January, 1958

Hubert M Hall

Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.

I, _____, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original decree, rendered by the Judge of the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said decree is on file and enrolled in my office.

Witness my hand and seal this the _____ day of _____, 19____

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

In Circuit Court, In Equity

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, PEGGY PRESTON, the commissioner named in an agreement contained in that certain cause now pending in the Honorable Circuit Court of BALDWIN County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity, wherein RUTH DICKERSON is Complainant, and WILLIAM DICKERSON is Respondent, under and by virtue of the power conferred upon me by said agreement as such commissioner, caused the said RUTH DICKERSON and the said TROY LANGSTON, who were made known to me, to come before me at 3:00 o'clock, P.M., on January 27, 1958, at 65 St. Emanuel Street, Mobile, Alabama; that said witnesses were first duly sworn by me as stated; that they were then examined by Mr. William Grayson, Solicitor for Complainant, and they testified in response thereto as is hereinabove written; and the testimony was by me reduced to writing as given by said witnesses in narrative form, and as near as might be identical language of the said witnesses, and that, after said testimony had been so reduced to writing, it was by me read over to the said witnesses, who assented to and signed the same in my presence and in the presence of said Solicitor for Complainant. These depositions are true and correct as given by the witnesses.

I further certify that I am not of counsel of or kin to any of the parties to the said cause, and am not in anywise interested in the result thereof.

Witness my hand this 27th day of January 1958.

Peggy Preston
COMMISSIONER

TESTIMONY OF [redacted] RUTH DICKERSON, WITNESS ON HER OWN BEHALF:

My name is [redacted] Ruth Dickerson and I am the wife of the Respondent. The Respondent and I were married to each other on December 5, 1957 at Lucedale, Mississippi. Both myself and the Respondent are bona-fide resident citizens of Mobile County, Alabama and have been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of the Bill of Complaint herein. I am twenty years of age and the Respondent is over the age of twenty-oneyears. There are no children as issue of our marriage. My maiden name was Anna Ruth Odom and in the event a decree of divorce is granted herein I would like to resume the use of my maiden name. The Respondent has inflicted actual violence upon my person, attended with danger to my life and health, and from his conduct there is reasonable apprehension of such violence being inflicted upon my person if I were to ever live with the Respondent again in any respect as husband and wife. The Respondent is a man of quick and violent temper which he lets get the best of him when things don't go to suit him. The Respondent has on several different occasions abused me with nasty and vulgar language both in public places and in private. The Respondent has also jerked me around in a rough and violent manner on several different occasions. On one particular occasion the Respondent literally drug me out of a public place while in a fit of temper and rage and at the time he was carrying a gun. The Respondent always carries this gun and he has on many occasions threatened my life with the gun saying that he was going to kill me.

[redacted] Ruth Dickerson

TESTIMONY OF TROY LANGSTON, WITNESS ON BEHALF OF THE COMPLAINANT.

My name is Troy Langston and I have known the Complainant in this cause for approximately four years. The Complainant is the wife of the Respondent and they were married to each other on December 5, 1957 in Lucedale, Mississippi. Both the Complainant and the Respondent are bona-fide resident citizens of Mobile County, Alabama and have been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of the Bill of Complaint herein. The Complainant is twenty years of age and the Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years. There are no children as issue of their marriage. The Complainant's maiden name was Anna Ruth Odom. The Respondent has committed actual violence upon the person of the Complainant, attended with danger to her life or health and from his conduct there is reasonable apprehension of such violence being inflicted upon her person if she were to ever live with the Respondent again in any respect as husband and wife. The Respondent has a very bad temper. I have been present when the Respondent has lost his temper with the Complainant and has abused her with nasty and vulgar names and language. I was present on the occasion when the Respondent became angry with the Complainant and drug her out of the public place in a very rough and violent manner. I have also seen him jerk and push her around in a rough manner on several other occasions. I know of my own knowledge that the Respondent carries a gun on his person at all times and I have heard him make threats to do the Complainant bodily harm.

Troy Langston

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA, SITTING IN EQUITY:

RUTH DICKERSON

Complainant,

-vs-

WILLIAM DICKERSON,

Respondent.

DEPOSITION of Ruth Dickerson and of Troy Langston, witness on behalf of the complainant in this cause.

COMMISSIONER'S FEE $7.50
PEGGY PRESTON

RUTH DICKERSON,	)	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
Complainant,	)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
-vs-	)	IN EQUITY:
WILLIAM DICKERSON,	)	
Respondent.	)	NO._____

AMENDMENT TO BILL OF COMPLAINT

Comes the Complainant in the above styled cause and amends her original bill of complaint heretofore filed herein by adding an additional paragraph thereto, Numbered "THREE" which is set forth below and by praying for the additional relief sought for herein:

THREE

The Complainant's maiden name was Ruth Odom.

ADDITIONAL PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Complainant further prays that if she is granted a divorce herein that she will be permitted the right to resume the use of her maiden name of .Ruth Odom.

William Sanzeon
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT.

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ORDER OF SUBMISSION

This cause coming on to be heard, is submitted for decree on the pleadings and on the proof as noted.

Dated,

NOTE OF EVIDENCE

At the hearing of this cause the following note of evidence was taken to wit:

FOR COMPLAINANT

1. Bill of Complainant
2. Answer, Waiver and Agreement
3. Testimony of Ruth Dickerson and of Troy Langston, witness on behalf of the Complainant.

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William Grayson

Solicitor—for Complainant

FOR RESPONDENT

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Solicitor—For Respondent

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Vs.	)	IN EQUITY
WILLIAM DICKERSON Respondent.	)	NO._____

ANSWER AND WAIVER

Comes the Respondent in the above entitled cause and for answer to the Bill of Complaint herein admits the allegations as to the ages, residences and marriage and denies the other allegations of said Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

Respondent agrees that the testimony in this cause may be taken by deposition on oral examination, and waives notice of the time and place of the taking of such testimony and agrees that this cause may be submitted for final decree at any time. Respondent waives all notices to which he or she may be entitled by law in this cause. Respondent agrees that Peggy Preston may take the testimony in this cause as commissioner, without the issuance of a commission.

ATTEST:

1._____

2._____

William Dickerson
RESPONDENT

Complainant agrees that Peggy Preston may take the testimony in this cause as commissioner, without issuance of a commission.

William Thagson
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT.

Note: The Space below is intended for "Agreements Between the Parties"

Complainant releases the Respondent from all claims of alimony and support, both temporary and permanent.

William Dickerson
Respondent

X Ruth Dickerson
Complainant

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF MOBILE

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said State and County personally appeared the above named Respondent, whose name is signed to the foregoing instrument, and who was made known to me, acknowledged before me this day, that being informed of the contents of the instrument, said Respondent executed the same voluntarily on the day same bears date.

Witness my hand and seal this 16th day of Uanuary 1958.

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W.ELSWORTH HAUGHTON, REGISTER

William Thagson
NOTARY PUBLIC
(Please affix official seal)

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-vs-	)	EQUITY:
WILLIAM DICKERSON,	)	
Respondent.	)	NO._____

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, SITTING IN EQUITY:

Comes the Complainant and shows unto Your Honors and unto this Honorable Court as follows:

ONE

Complainant is the wife of the Respondent and they were married to each other on December 5, 1957 in Lucedale, Mississippi. Both the Complainant and the Respondent are bona-fide resident citizens of Mobile County, the State of Alabama and have been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of the Bill of Complaint herein. The Complainant is twenty years of age and the Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years. There are no children as issue of their marriage.

TWO

The Respondent has inflicted actual violence upon the person of the Complainant, attended with danger to her life or health or from his conduct there is reasonable apprehension of such violence.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Complainant prays that Your Honors will take jurisdiction of this cause will make the said William Dickerson, party-respondent hereto and will cause him to appear, plead, answer or demur hereto within the time allowed by law and the rules of this Honorable Court.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Complainant further prays that Your Honors will see fit to grant her an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony with the Respondent, and Complainant further prays that she will be granted the right to resume the use of her maiden ma me of Ruth Odom and Complainant further prays for such other, further and different relief as in equity she may be due, and as in duty bound she will ever pray, etc.

Ruth Wickerson
COMPLAINANT.

William Grayson
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT.

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