

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY LAW OFFICER OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon MARY Y. GRICE, CHARLES D. GRICE, MARION L. GRICE, ANNIE GRICE DOHERTY AND ROBERT N. GRICE, to appear within thirty days from the service of this writ in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, at the place of holding the same, then and there to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint filed against them by J. L. RUPLE.

WITNESS my hand this ______day of April, 1958.

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BILL OF COMPLAINT

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

The Complainant, J. L. Ruple, presents this Bill of Complaint against Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice, and thereupon the Complainant complains and shows unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

1. The Complainant is over twenty-one years of age and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Mary Y. Grice and Charles D. Grice are each over twenty-one years of age and each reside in Baldwin County, Alabama

Marion L. Grice is over the age of twenty-one years and a non-resident of the State of Alabama, whose residence and Post Office address is Skyland, North Carolina.

Annie Grice Doherty is over the age of twenty-one years and a non-resident of the State of Alabama, whose residence and post office address is 12 Liberty Place, Weehawken, New Jersey.

Robert N. Grice is over the age of twenty-one years and a non-resident of the State of Alabama, whose residence and post office address is 86 Edgemond Road, Asheville, North Carolina.

2. Complainant claims to own and is in the actual, quiet and peaceable possession of the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, Township 3 South, Range 2 East, and run thence North 2 degrees West 2437 feet, more or less, to the point where the East line of the said Section 40 intersects the South line of Bayou Wiltz; thence Southwestwardly along Bayou Wiltz and following the meanders thereof to the point where the said Bayou intersects the South line of the said Section 40; run thence South 85 degrees East 2193 feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning, and containing 55 acres, more or less.

3. The Respondents claim, or are reputed to claim some right, title or interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands; no suit is pending to enforce or test the validity of such title, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands and the Complainant brings this Bill of Complaint against the said Respondents to settle the title to said lands and to clear up all

doubts and disputes concerning the same. The Complainant here and now calls upon the said Respondents to set forth and specify their right, title or interest in, lien or encumbrance on said lands, or any part thereof, and how and by what instrument the same is derived and created.

4. The Complainant is also in possession of and claims to own the timber growing on the above described lands.

On, to-wit, the 8th day of March, 1958, the Respondents, Mary Y. Grice and Charles D. Grice, or one of them, had a survey made of a part of the above described property, and on, to-wit, the 18th day of March, 1958, the Respondent, Mary Y. Grice, who is the same person as M. Y. Grice, made an escape tax assessment in the Office of the Tax Assessor of Baldwin County, Alabama, which assessment covered a part of the above described lands.

On, to-wit, March 15, 1958, the Respondents, Mary Y. Grice and Charles D. Grice, or one of them, sold timber to J. B. Jones, who caused the timber to be cut and removed on, to-wit, March 26, 1958, from a part of the lands which are claimed by the Complainant, and which are included in the said escape assessment.

Complainant is informed and believes and on such information and belief alleges the fact to be that the Respondents,
or some of them, will cut and remove timber which is growing on
the above described lands unless they are restrained from so doing,
and the Complainant further alleges that the present status of the
property involved in this suit should be maintained until a final
hearing is had in this suit.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Complainant prays that the said Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice be made parties respondent to this Bill of Complaint and that the usual process of this Honorable Court do forthwith issue to them.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

The Complainant prays for the following separate and several relief:

l. That a temporary writ of injunction be issued restraining the Respondents and each of them from trespassing on the above described property, from cutting and removing timber therefrom, and from changing the status quo of the said property pending a final hearing of this suit.

- 2. That upon a final hearing of this cause that this Court will make and enter a decree against the said Respondents, quieting Complainant's title to the said lands and adjudging and decreeing that the Complainant is the owner thereof in his own right; that the title thereto in him is forever quieted against the Respondents and adjudging and decreeing that they, and each of them, are without right, title or interest in the said lands, and have no encumbrance thereon.
- 3. Complainant further prays for such other, further and general relief as he may be equitably entitled to, the premises considered.

Solicitor for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority, within and for said State and County, personally appeared J. L. Ruple, who, after being by me first duly and legally sworn, deposes and says:

That he is the Complainant in the above entitled cause; that he has read over the foregoing Bill of Complaint and that the facts stated therein are true.

J. L. Ruple

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the //// day of April, 1958.

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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TO ALICE J. DUCK, REGISTER OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

Upon Complainant entering into bond with requisite security in the sum of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) payable and conditioned as provided by law, let an injunction issue according to the prayer of the Bill of Complaint.

DATED this // day of April, 1958.

The Judge.

J. L. RUPLE,

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MARY Y. GRICE, ET AL,

Respondents.

NO. 4269

Now comes the Complainant in the above styled cause and amends the original bill of complaint in this cause by striking therefrom paragraph numbered two of the prayer for relief.

Solicitor for Complainant

J? L. RUPLE,	* IN THE CIRCUIT COURS	e of
COMPLAINANT	* BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA	BAMA
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Comes Respondent MARY Y. GRICE and for answer to said bill of complaint filed in said cause shows unto this Honorable Court as follows:

- From the Southeast corner of Thomas Byrne Grant Section 40, 135, R2E, run N 020 along the East boundary of said grant 287 feet; thence run N 710 45' W, 1421 feet to a point on the East or South margin of Byrne's Lake at the mouth of "East Bayou Wiltz"; thence run Southwestwardly following the meanders of the East (or South) bank of Byrne's Lake 990 feet more or less to a point on the south boundary of said Grant Section 40; thence run S 850 E along the south boundary of said Grant Section 40, 2193 feet to the point of beginning. 25 acres, more or less, in Thomas Byrne Grant Section 40, T3S, R2E, Baldwin County, Alabama.
- 2. That her title accrues to her through a deed dated March 10, 1958, recorded April 16, 1958 in deed book 264 page 444-5 Which deed was executed by Charles Dudley Grice who is an heir at law of Charles F. Grice and Bertha R. Grice both deceased, who held title by virtue of a decree of the Chancery Court in Mobile, Alabama dated April 28, 1905 and filed for record in the office of the Probate Judge of Baldwin County on May 29, 1905 and that said property has not been alienated.
- 3. That the said Respondent May Y. Grice did on the 18th day of March, 1958 assess said land together with other lands as an escape tax assessment in the office of the Tax Assessor of Baldwin County, Alabama.
- of said lands.

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BY:

Accorneys for Respondent. Mary Y.

Grice.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY.

J. L. Ruple, Complainant,

Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice, Doherty and Robert N. Grice.

Respondents

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of J. L. Ruple, that the Respondents, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice, are each non-residents of the State of Alabama whose last known places of residence and Post Office addresses were:

Annie Grice Doherty, 12 Liberty Place, Weehawken, New Jersey;

Robert N. Grice, 86 Edgemont Road, Asheville, North Carolina; and that the said Respondents are each over twenty - one years of

It is, therefore, ORDERED by the Reister that publication be made in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 28th day of July, 1958, or at the expiration of thirty days from the said date a decree pro confesso will be taken against them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal on the Court on this the 23rd day of June, 1958.

> ALICE J. DUCK Register

JAMES R. OWEN, Solicitor for Complainant.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

that he is the EDITOR of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published

at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of

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Norrespetto, Jr. being duly sworn, deposes and says

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY.

COST STATEMENT
I hereby certify this is correct, due and unpaid (paid).
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was published in said newspaper for 4 consecutive weeks in the following issues:
Date of 1st publication June 26, 1958 Vol. 70 No. 24
Date of 2nd publication July 3, 195 8 Vol. 70 No. 25
Date of 3rd publication July 10, 195 8 Vol. 70 No. 26
Date of 4th publication July 17, 195 8 Vol. 70 No. 27
Subscribed and sworn before the undersigned this 27 day of 195 8
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Notary Public, Baldwin County.
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MOTION FOR PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE

Now comes the Complainant, by his Solicitor, and moves the Court to direct the attorneys for the parties to this proceeding to appear before it for a pre-trial conference to consider the following:

- 1. The simplification of the issues.
- 2. The possibility of obtaining admissions of fact and of documents which will avoid unnecessary proof.
- 3. Such other matters as may aid in the disposition of this action.
- 4. Any other matters provided for in Equity Rule 38 which will aid in a prompt disposition of this action.

 DATED this 12 1 day of August, 1958.

Solicitor for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

I hereby certify that I mailed a copy of the above and foregoing motion to the firm of Thompson and White, Bay Minette, Alabama, Solicitors for the Respondents, by first class mail, properly addressed to them at Bay Minette, Alabama, on this the $12^{\frac{11}{2}}$ day of August, 1958.

Solicitor for Complainant.

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Respondents.

Notice To Non-Residents:

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of J. L. Ruple, that the Respondents, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice, are each non-residents of the State of Alabama whose last known places of residence and Post Office addresses were:

Annie Grice Doherty, 12 Liberty Place, Weehawken, New Jersey;

Robert N. Grice, 86 Edgemont Road, Asheville, North Carolina;

and that the said Respondents are each over twenty-one years of age.

It is, therefore, ORDERED by the Register that publication be made in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 28th day of July, 1958, or at the expiration of thirty days from the said date a decree pro confesso will be taken against them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal on the Court on this the 23rd day of June, 1958.

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SUGGESTION OF BOUNDARY DISPUTE

Come the defendants in the above styled cause and suggests that this suit involves a dispute as to the boundary line between land owned by the plaintiff and land owned by the defendant, a true description of said boundary line being as follows:

From the Southeast corner of Thomas Byrne Grant, Section 40,
Township 3 South, Range 2 East, in Baldwin County, Run N 2°W
along the East boundary of said grant 287 feet; thence run
N 71° 45' W, 1421 feet to a point on the East or South margin
of Byrne's Lake at the mouth of "East Bayou Wiltz"; thence run
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mouth of a creek at the source of said Bayou, thence follow the
meanders of the southermost creek stream easterly to its intersection
with the East Line of said Section 40, approximately 1687 feet
north of the Southeast corner of said Grant Section 40, Township
3 South, Range 2 East, Baldwin County.

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MARY GRICE AND CHARLES D. GRICE

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WRIT OF INJUNCTION

TO MARY Y. GRICE, CHARLES D. GRICE, MARION L. GRICE, ANNIE GRICE DOHERTY, AND ROBERT N. GRICE:

WHEREAS, J. L. Ruple has filed a Bill of Complaint in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity and has obtained from the Honorable Hubert M. Hall, Judge of the said Court, an order for the issuance of an injunction to restrain and enjoin you, as hereinafter mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the said Complainant, J. L. Ruple has, in accordance with the said order, entered into bond with security in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) payable and conditioned as provided by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, you and each of you are hereby commanded and strictly enjoined from trespassing on, cutting or removing timber from, and from changing the status quo of the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, Township 3 South, Range 2 East, and run thence North 2 degrees West 2437 feet, more or less, to the point where the East line of the said Section 40 intersects the South line of Bayou Wiltz; thence Southwestwardly along Bayou Wiltz and following the meanders thereof to the point where the said Bayou intersects the South line of the said Section 40; run thence South 85 degrees East 2193 feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning, and containing 55 acres, more or less.

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J. L. RUPLE,

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

VS.

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MARY Y. GRICE, ET AL.,

Respondents.

DECREE OVERRULING DEMURRER:

This cause coming on to be heard on this day is submitted on the Respondent's demurrer to the Bill of Complaint heretofore filed in this cause and the said demurrer being considered by the Court, it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the said demurrer is not well taken and that it should be overruled and the same is hereby overruled.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on this the 23rd day of June, 1958.

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J. L. RUPLE,

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VS

MARY Y. GRICE, ET AL., RESPONDENTS

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

Come Respondents, MARY Y. GRICE and CHARLES D. GRICE, and demur to the complaint filed in said cause and as grounds for said demurrer show unto this Honorable Court as follows:

- 1. That said complaint fails to state a cause of action.
- 2. That said complaint alleges conclusions of the pleader as topparagraph two therein.
- 3. That the allegations of said complaint, as to paragraph two therein, are conclusions of the pleader.
- 4. That paragraph three of said complaint is without foundation as to Respondent Charles D. Grice.
- 5. That the allegations of paragraph four are conclusions of the pleader in that the said Charles D. Grice is alleged to have done certain acts without foundation for said allegations.
- 6. That the allegations of paragraph four of said complaint are conclusions of the pleader.
- 7. That paragraph four of said complaint alleges separate and distinct conflicting charges.
- 8. That paragraph four of said complaint includes a multiplicity of allegations.
- 9. That the allegations of said complaint concerning Mary Y. and Charles D. Grice are in the alternative.
- 10. That the said complaint fails to pray any relief against Charles D. Grice.
- ll. That the said complaint fails to pray proper relief against the said Mary Y. Grice.

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J. L. RUPLE,

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

WARY Y. GRICE, ET AL,

Respondents.

IN EQUITY NO. 4269

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

This cause is submitted on behalf of the Complainant upon the original verified bill of complaint, amendment to bill of complaint, and answer and waiver of Respondents.

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STATE OF ALABAMA)

BALDWIN COUNTY)

INJUNCTION BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, J. L. Ruple, as principal and the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, a corporation, as surety, are held and firmly bound unto Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the payment of which the principal binds himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, and the surety binds itself, its successors and assigns, jointly and severally, by these presents.

WHEREAS, the above bounder J. L. Ruple, in a Bill of Complaint filed by him against the said Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice, prayed for and obtained a writ of injunction out of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, upon the approval of this bond, restraining and enjoining the said Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice from trespassing on, cutting or removing timber from and from changing the status quo of the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, Township 3 South, Range 2 East, and run thence North 2 degrees West 2437 feet, more or less, to the point where the East line of the said Section 40 intersects the South line of Bayou Wiltz; thence Southwestwardly along Bayou Wiltz and following the meanders thereof to the point where the said Bayou intersects the South line of the said Section 40; run thence South 85 degrees East 2193 feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning, and containing 55 acres, more or less.

pending a final hearing of this suit.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of the above obligation is such that if the said J. L. Ruple shall pay or cause to be paid all damages which the said Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice may sustain by the suing out of this injunction, if the same is dissolved, then the above obligation shall be void, otherwise it shall remain in

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J. L. RUPLE,

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

VS.

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MARY Y. GRICE, ET AL,

IN EQUITY NO. 4269

Respondents.

ANSWER AND WAIVER

Now come the Respondents, by their Solicitors, and waive notice of setting a date to hear this cause and consent and agree that a final decree be rendered permanently enjoining the Respondents from trespassing on the property described in the original bill of complaint.

THOMPSON AND WHITE

Solicitors for Respondents

J. L. RUPLE,

Complainant,

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

VS.

MARY Y. GRICE, ET AL,

IN EQUITY

NO. 4269

Respondents.

FINAL DECREE

This cause coming on to be heard on this date is submitted on behalf of Complainant upon the original verified bill of complaint, amendment to bill of complaint and answer and waiver of Respondents consenting and agreeing that the final decree be rendered in this cause without notice to them and consenting that the court enter a decree permanently enjoining them from trespassing on the property described in the original bill of complaint, from all of which it appears to the court that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in his original bill of complaint. It is, therefore, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the court as follows:

1. The Respondents, Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice and each of them are permanently and perpetually enjoined from trespassing upon the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

> Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, Township 3 South, Range 2 East, and run thence North 2 degrees West 2437 feet, more or less, to the point where the East line of the said Section 40 intersects the South line of Bayou Wiltz; thence Southwestwardly along Bayou Wiltz and following the meanders thereof to the point where the said Bayou intersects the South line of the said Section 40; run thence South 85 degrees East 2193 feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning, and containing 55 acres, more or less.

That the Respondents pay the costs of this suit for which execution may issue.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on this the _____ day of December, 1960.

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J. L. RUPLE

) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

COMPLAINANT

) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

VS

) IN EQUITY.

MARY GRICE, ET AL,

) CASE NO.

RESPONDENTS

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TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, CIRCUIT JUDGE, IN EQUITY:

Come Respondents, MARY GRICE and CHARLES D. GRICE, and for answer to the said complaint filed in said cause shows as follows:

- 1. Not guilty.
- 2. Your Respondents separately and severally disclaim the 30 acre parcel claimed by the said Complainant which parcel being described as follows: Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40 T3S R2E and run North 287 feet for a point of beginning, thence run North 71 degrees 45 minutes West 1421 feet to a point on the water line at the mouth of "East Bayou Wiltz", thence follow the meanderings of East Bayou Wiltz and a creek running North and in an easterly direction intersecting the East line of said Section 40 at a point 1400 feet North of the point of beginning, being that parcel of Grice Land which lies East Bayou Wiltz.
- That the said Mary Grice is the owner and in possession of that certain parcel of real property located and situated in Baldwin County, State of Alabama and more particularly described as follows: From the NE Cor. of Sec. 40, T3S, R2E, run N 85°W along Grant line 1100 ft. more or less to creek; th. Southerly following creek & its meanders to its intersection with the head of Byrne's Lake; th. continuing southerly along the East side of Byrne's lake to its intersection with north bank of "East Bayou Wiltz"; thence Northeastwardly with the north bank of said "East Bayou Wiltz" toa small creek fdowing into it at its head, from the East; thence Eastward following said creek to the East boundary of said Grant Section 40; thence ${
 m NO2^{O}W}$ along Grant line 2150 feet more or less to the place of beginning; 60 acres more or less in Thomas Byrne Grant Sec. 40, T3S, R2E, Baldwin County, Alabama. From the Southeast corner of Thomas Byrne Grant Section 40, T3S, R2E, run N 020W along the

East boundary of said grant 287 feet; thence run N 71° 45' W, 1421 feet to a point on the East or South margin of Byrne's Lake at the mouth of "East Bayou Wiltz"; thence run Southwestwardly following the meanders of the East (or South) bank of Byrne's Lake 990 feet more or less to a point on the south boundary of said Grant Section 40; thence run S 85° E along the south boundary of said Grant Section 40, 2193 feet to the point of beginning; 25 acres, more or less, in Thomas Byrne Grant Section 40, T3S, R2E, Baldwin County, Alabama.

- 4. That the said Complainant claims to be the owner of that certain piece of real property lying East of East Bayou Wiltz, and said complainant's property being more fully described as: Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, T3S R2E and run North along the East Section line 287 feet to a point of beginning, thence run North 71 degrees 45 minutes West 1421 feet to a gum tree in the margin of the mouth of "East Bayou Wiltz" thence along the meanderings of said Bayou and a tributory creek in a Northerly and Easterly direction to the intersection of said creek with the East line of said Section 40 at a point 1400 feet North of the point of beginning being 30 acres more or less.
- 5. That a dispute exists between the said original complainant and the said Mary Grice as to the true and correct boundary line between their respective properties and that the boundary line between the property of the said Mary Grice and the property of the said J. L. Ruple is disputed.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

The said Mary Grice and Charles D. Grice Respondents pray that this answer be taken as a cross bill and that the complainant be required to answer the allegations contained herein and that upon a hearing of this cause a decree will be made and entered establishing and defining the true and correct boundary line between the property of complainant and the property of the respondents.

Respondents pray for such other, further, different and general relief as in equity and good conscience they may be

entitled to in the premises, and your said Respondents will ever pray, etc.

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Solicitors for Mary Grice and Charles D. Grice.

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ALICE J. DUCK, Circuit Clerk

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WRIT OF INJUNCTION

TO MARY Y. GRICE, CHARLES D. GRICE, MARION L. GRICE, ANNIE GRICE DOHERTY, AND ROBERT N. GRICE:

WHEREAS, J. L. Ruple has filed a Bill of Complaint in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity and has obtained from the Honorable Hubert M. Hall, Judge of the said Court, an order for the issuance of an injunction to restrain and enjoin you, as hereinafter mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the said Complainant, J. L. Ruple has, in accordance with the said order, entered into bond with security in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) payable and conditioned as provided by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, you and each of you are hereby commanded and strictly enjoined from trespassing on, cutting or removing timber from, and from changing the status quo of the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, Township 3 South, Range 2 East; and run thence North 2 degrees West 2437 feet, more or less, to the point where the East line of the said Section 40 intersects the South line of Bayou Wiltz; thence Southwestwardly along Bayou Wiltz and following the meanders thereof to the point where the said Bayou intersects the South line of the said Section 40; run thence South 85 degrees East 2193 feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning, and containing 55 acres, more or less.

until a final hearing of this cause, and until further orders of this Court.

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STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY LAW OFFICER OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon MARY Y. GRICE, CHARLES D. GRICE, MARION L. GRICE, ANNIE GRICE DOHERTY AND ROBERT N. GRICE, to appear within thirty days from the service of this writ in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, at the place of holding the same, then and there to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint filed against them by J. L. RUPLE.

WITNESS my hand this ____/9 __day of April, 1958.

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BILL OF COMPLAINT

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

The Complainant, J. L. Ruple, presents this Bill of Complaint against Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice, and thereupon the Complainant complains and shows unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

1. The Complainant is over twenty-one years of age and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Mary Y. Grice and Charles D. Grice are each over twenty-one years of age and each reside in Baldwin County, Alabama.

Marion L. Grice is over the age of twenty-one years and a non-resident of the State, of Alabama, whose residence and Post Office address is Skyland, North Carolina.

Annie Grice Doherty is over the age of twenty-one years and a non-resident of the State of Alabama, whose residence and post office address is 12 Liberty Place, Weehawken, New Jersey.

Robert N. Grice is over the age of twenty-one years and a non-resident of the State of Alabama, whose residence and post office address is \$6 Edgemond Road, Asheville, North Carolina.

2. Complainant claims to own and is in the actual, quiet and peaceable possession of the following described real property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Begin at the Southeast corner of Section 40, Township 3 South, Range 2 East, and run thence North 2 degrees West 2437 feet, more or less, to the point where the East line of the said Section 40 intersects the South line of Bayou Wiltz; thence Southwestwardly along Bayou Wiltz and following the meanders thereof to the point where the said Bayou intersects the South line of the said Section 40; run thence South 85 degrees East 2193 feet, more or less, to the point or place of beginning, and containing 55 acres, more or less.

3. The Respondents claim, or are reputed to claim some right, title or interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands; no suit is pending to enforce or test the validity of such title, interest in, lien or encumbrance on the said lands and the Complainant brings this Bill of Complaint against the said Respondents to settle the title to said lands and to clear up all

doubts and disputes concerning the same. The Complainant here and now calls upon the said Respondents to set forth and specify their right, title or interest in, lien or encumbrance on said lands, or any part thereof, and how and by what instrument the same is derived and created.

4. The Complainant is also in possession of and claims to own the timber growing on the above described lands.

On, to-wit, the 8th day of March, 1958, the Respondents, Mary Y. Grice and Charles D. Grice, or one of them, had a survey made of a part of the above described property, and on, to-wit, the 18th day of March, 1958, the Respondent, Mary Y. Grice, who is the same person as M. Y. Grice, made an escape tax assessment in the Office of the Tax Assessor of Baldwin County, Alabama, which assessment covered a part of the above described lands.

On, to-wit, March 15, 1958, the Respondents, Mary Y. Grice and Charles D. Grice, or one of them, sold timber to J. B. Jones, who caused the timber to be cut and removed on, to-wit, March 26, 1958, from a part of the lands which are claimed by the Complainant, and which are included in the said escape assessment.

Complainant is informed and believes and on such information and belief alleges the fact to be that the Respondents,
or some of them, will cut and remove timber which is growing on
the above described lands unless they are restrained from so doing,
and the Complainant further alleges that the present status of the
property involved in this suit should be maintained until a final
hearing is had in this suit.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Complainant prays that the said Mary Y. Grice, Charles D. Grice, Marion L. Grice, Annie Grice Doherty and Robert N. Grice be made parties respondent to this Bill of Complaint and that the usual process of this Honorable Court do forthwith issue to them.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

The Complainant prays for the following separate and several relief:

l. That a temporary writ of injunction be issued restraining the Respondents and each of them from trespassing on the above described property, from cutting and removing timber therefrom, and from changing the status quo of the said property pending a final hearing of this suit.

- 2. That upon a final hearing of this cause that this Court will make and enter a decree against the said Respondents, quieting Complainant's title to the said lands and adjudging and decreeing that the Complainant is the owner thereof in his own right; that the title thereto in him is forever quieted against the Respondents and adjudging and decreeing that they, and each of them, are without right, title or interest in the said lands, and have no encumbrance thereon.
- 3. Complainant further prays for such other, further and general relief as he may be equitably entitled to, the premises considered.

Solveitor for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority, within and for said State and County, personally appeared J. L. Ruple, who, after being by me first duly and legally sworn, deposes and says:

That he is the Complainant in the above entitled cause; that he has read over the foregoing Bill of Complaint and that the facts stated therein are true.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the <u>1914</u>day of April, 1958.

Wotery Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

TO ALICE J. DUCK, REGISTER OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

Upon Complainant entering into bond with requisite security in the sum of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) payable and conditioned as provided by law, let an injunction issue according to the prayer of the Bill of Complaint.

DATED this _____day of April, 1958.

5/ Hubert M. Hall Judge.

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