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DIVORCE DECREE

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

CHRISTINE ANN WOOD, Complainant

vs.

GEORGE WALTER WOOD, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Confesso~~ on _____ 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 _____ is forever divorced from the said _____ for and on account of _____

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the care, custody and control of the child Carol Denise Wood be, and hereby is awarded to Complainant, with full visitations privileges awarded to Respondent. Respondent to pay to Complainant the sum of \$10.00 per week toward the support of said child

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

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

It is further ordered that _____ CHRISTINE ANN WOOD the COMPLAINANT pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 9th day of February, 1955

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____

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

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The State of Alabama
Baldwin County

In Circuit Court, In Equity

Christine Ann Wood

Complainant

vs.

George Walter Wood

Respondent

DIVORCE DECREE

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CHRISTINE ANN WOOD | IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COMPLAINANT | COUNTY, ALABAMA
VS | IN EQUITY
GEORGE WALTER WOOD | NO. _____
RESPONDENT |

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, ANN STREET, the Commissioner agreed upon by the parties in the above styled cause, hereby certify that, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by said agreement, called before me the witnesses requested, that is to say, CHRISTINE ANN WOOD the Complainant, and KATHRYN ROBERTS; that said witnesses appeared before me at 74 Main Street, in the city of Prichard, Mobile County, Alabama on the 8th day of February, 1955; that there were present the Complainant, her Solicitor, Shelton Street, and said corroborating witness, Kathryn Roberts; that Respondent George Walter Wood, having signed an Answer and Waiver was not present nor represented; that I caused said witnesses to be duly sworn according to law, after which they were orally examined by Shelton Street, Solicitor for Complainant, and did answer and testify as hereinafter set out in narrative form; that their said testimony was reduced to writing as near as might be in the identical language of said witnesses in narrative form; that their said testimony was then by me read over to said witnesses who did assent to and subscribe said testimony in my presence and in the presence of said Shelton Street, Solicitor for Complainant.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not of counsel or of kin to either of the parties to this cause, and have no interest whatsoever in the result thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this the 8th day of February, 1955.

Ann Street

CHRISTINE ANN WOOD
COMPLAINANT

VS

GEORGE WALTER WOOD
RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN

COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

NO. _____

DEPOSITION OF CHRISTINE ANN WOOD

My name is CHRISTINE ANN WOOD. I am the Complainant in the above styled cause, and am the wife of the Respondent, GEORGE WALTER WOOD. I am and have been for more than one year next before the filing of the Bill of Complaint a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama, Baldwin County, and more than 21 years of age. The Respondent is a resident citizen of the State of Alabama, Baldwin County, and was more than 21 years of age at the time this suit was started.

The Respondent and I were lawfully married to each other at Pascagoula, Mississippi on the 29th day of May, 1954 and lived together as husband and wife for some time thereafter. One child was born to us named Carol Denise Wood, now 6 months of age and in my care, custody and control and it is best for her to so remain

Soon after his marriage to me, the Respondent began to treat me with great cruelty. This grew worse and worse as time went by, and I put up with it mainly on account of my condition at that time thinking he would do better after the baby came, but he has not, instead he has got worse and broke all promises to do better. Finally however it became unbearable; and I left him, taking the baby with me. I did not rely this time on his repeated promises. He had given me an unusually severe beating, from which the bruises showed for days. I believe had I tried to live on with him my health and in fact my very life would have been in constant danger. He being bad to drink and much more violent when under the influence of liquor I could not stand to live with him and endanger my life and the baby's too. I left him with no intention to live with him again.

Christine Ann Wood
CHRISTINE ANN WOOD

CHRISTINE ANN WOOD
COMPLAINANT

VS

GEORGE WALTER WOOD
RESPONDENT

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY
NO. _____

DEPOSITION OF KATHRYN ROBERTS

My name is KATHRYN ROBERTS. I know the parties to this suit and have known them several years. The Complainant is and has been for more than one year next before the filing of the Bill of Complaint a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama Baldwin County, The Respondent is a resident citizen of the State of Alabama, Baldwin County, they were both more than 21 years of age at the time this suit was started.

The Complainant and the Respondent were lawfully married to each other on the 29th day of May, 1954, at Pascagoula, Mississippi and lived together as husband and wife for some time thereafter. One child was born to them, a girl, named Carol Denise Wood, now 6 months of age, and in the care, custody and control of the Complainant its mother, and it is to the best interest of the child to so remain.

Soon after the marriage of these parties, the Respondent began to treat the Complainant with great cruelty. This became worse and worse as time passed. Finally, after leaving him a time or so and returning on his promise to do better, she received an unusually severe beating; which I was present to see and left with her baby. This time she refused to return. I believe her health and life would have been in constant danger had she done so.

Kathryn Roberts
KATHRYN ROBERTS

CHRISTINE ANN WOOD	§	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COMPLAINANT	§	
VS	§	COUNTY, ALABAMA
GEORGE WALTER WOOD	§	IN EQUITY
RESPONDENT	§	NO. _____

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF SAID COURT, Sitting in Equity:

Comes now your Complainant, CHRISTINE ANN WOOD, and, humbly complaining, presents this her Bill of Complaint against the Respondent, GEORGE WALTER WOOD, and shows:

O N E

The Complainant is and has been for more than one year next before the filing of this suit a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama, BALDWIN County, more than 21 years of age. The Respondent is a resident citizen of the State of Alabama, BALDWIN County, more than 21 years of age.

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The Complainant and the Respondent were lawfully married to each other on to-wit the 29th day of May, 1954, at Pascagoula, Mississippi and lived together as husband and wife for some time thereafter. One child was born of this marriage, a girl, named Carol Denise Wood, now 6 month of age and in the care, custody and control of the Complainant at her home in Baldwin County, Alabama, It would be greatly to the interest of the child to so remain.

T H R E E

After her marriage to him the Respondent committed actual violence on the person of the Complainant attended with danger to her life or health; or from his conduct toward her there was reasonable apprehension of such cruelty and violence so attended with like danger.

P R A Y E R

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that Respondent be made the party defendant hereto in a manner provided by law; that upon a final hearing herein a decree be rendered forever dissolving and annulling the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the parties hereto; that in said decree the care, custody and control of the minor child be awarded to Complainant.

AND COMPLAINANT PRAYS FOR GENERAL RELIEF.

Shelton Street
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT

Christine Ann Wood
COMPLAINANT

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ALICE J. DICK, Register

CHRISTINE ANN WOOD

Complainant

No.

Vs.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

GEORGE WALTER WOOD

Defendant

ANSWER AND WAIVER

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

I agree that the testimony in this cause may be taken by disposition on oral examination, and waive notice of the time and place of the taking such testimony and agree that this cause may be submitted for final decree at any time. I waive all notices to which I may be entitled by law in this cause.

WITNESSES:

Ann Street

George Walter Wood
Defendant

Betty Street

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

It is agreed that Ann Street, of Prichard, Alabama, is a suitable person to take the testimony in this cause and may do so without a Commission from the Court.

It is further agreed that ~~xxxx~~ the care, custody and control of the child Carol Denise Wood, be awarded to Complainant, with full visitation privileges awarded to Respondent, Respondent to pay \$10.00 per week toward the support and maintenance of said child.

Christine Ann Wood
COMPLAINANT

George Walter Wood
DEFENDANT

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

I, _____, a NOTARY PUBLIC in and for said State and County, do hereby certify that _____, whose name is signed to the foregoing instrument, and who is known to me, acknowledge before me this day, that being informed of the contents of the instrument, _____ executed the same voluntarily on the day same bears date.

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

Filed, _____
W. ELSWORTH HAUGHTON, REGISTER

NOTARY PUBLIC

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STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

No. _____

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CHRISTINE ANN WOOD
COMPLAINANT

No. VS. }

GEORGE WALTER WOOD
RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

ORDER OF SUBMISSION

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

Dated, February 8, 1955

NOTE OF EVIDENCE

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

FOR COMPLAINANT

Bill of Complaint, Answer and Waiver, Depositions of Christine Ann Wood and Kathryn Roberts.

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Miss J. Neuch Register

Shelton Street
Solicitor-for Complainant

FOR RESPONDENT

Solicitor-for Respondent

CHRISTINE ANN WOOD
COMPLAINANT

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