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GERTRUDE CONROW GARRETT, : IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

Complainant : BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

-vs- : IN EQUITY

ISAAC E. GARRETT, : NO.

Respondent

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

Your Complainant, Gertrude Conrow Garrett, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor as follows:

ONE

That she is over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of her bill of complaint; that the Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama.

TWO

That your Complainant is the lawful wife of the Respondent having married him on, to-wit, the 5th day of July, 1941, in Forest, Mississippi.

THREE

Your Complainant avers and charges that the said Respondent has committed actual violence on her person attended with danger to her life or health, or that from his conduct towards her there is reasonable apprehension of such violence.

FOUR

Complainant avers that since her marriage to Respondent he has become addicted to the use of alcoholic liquors and has become an habitual drunkard, that he is now such and that she has separated from his bed and board for this reason and remains so separated.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Complainant prays that upon the filing of this bill of complaint that proper process issue to Isaac E. Garrett

making him a party respondent to this bill of complaint and requiring him to appear and plead, answer or demur to the allegations thereof within the time required by law and the rules of this Honorable Court.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Complainant prays that upon the final hearing of this cause that your Honor will grant to her an absolute divorce from the Respondent, Isaac E. Garrett, and grant to her permission to remarry should she desire.

Complainant prays for such other, further or different relief as in equity she is entitled, the premises considered.

Gestrude Complainant

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Defendant's Address: 202 Summit Street Fairhope, Alabama FILED apr. 8, 1955

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ISAAC E. GARRETT, : NO. 3504

Respondent :

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

This agreement made and entered into by and between Gertrude Conrow Garrett, the Complainant, and Isaac E. Garrett, the Respondent, in the above styled cause on this the day of May, 1955, WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the within named parties were legally married on the 5th day of July, 1941, in Forest, Mississippi, and

WHEREAS, a bill for divorce has been filed by the Complainant seeking an absolute divorce from the Respondent, and

WHEREAS, the within named parties have acquired certain property rights during their marriage and said parties desire to make a settlement between themselves with regard to said property.

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That Complainant shall pay Respondent the sum of One Thousand and No/100 (\$1,000.00) Dollars cash, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, for all of the right, title, and interest of Respondent in any real property acquired by Complainant, and Respondent hereby relinquishes any equity or claim he may have in said real property.
- 2. Complainant agrees to give to Respondent the diamond ring given her by Respondent and release all claim thereto.
- 3. Complainant agrees to pay the costs of court in this proceeding.
- 4. Complainant hereby waives all claim of alimony both temporary and permanent from Respondent.

- 5. Respondent agrees to replace the fan and other articles of property removed by him from their home and to pay any and all bills now owing by said parties in Baldwin County, Alabama.
- 6. It is further agreed between the parties hereto that this agreement shall be and become a part of the final decree of the Court in this cause and is made subject to the approval of said Court.
- 7. It is further agreed between the parties that Miss Nellie Lane of Mobile, Alabama, may take the testimony in this cause without the issuance of a commission.

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Solicitor for Complainant/

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ANSWER AND WAIVER

Comes now Issac E. Garrett, the Respondent in the above styled cause and for answer to the bill of complaint heretofore filed admits the allegations set forth in Paragraphs One and Two, but denies each and every other material allegation set forth in Paragraphs Three and Four of the 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 the appointment of a commissioner and further agrees that this cause may be submitted for final decree at any time.

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Respondent

Answer and Waiver

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HERNDON INGE, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW

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April 7, 1955

Register In Chancery Circuit Court Court House Baldwin County, Alabama

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a Bill of Complaint and copy to be filed which is styled, Gertrude Conrow Garrett, Complainant vs. Isaac E. Garrett, Respondent. I will appreciate it if you will accept the filing of the Bill of Complaint and will enter me on the docket as Solicitor for Complainant.

Please notify me if there are any charges at this time.

Thanking you and with kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Herndon Inge, Jr.

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Respondent

In the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama In Equity, No. 3504

Now comes the Respondent by his Attorney and demurs to the Bill of Complaint and to each count thereof both seperately and severally and for grounds therefor assigns the following;

There is no Equity in said bill.

The averment that Complainant is the lawful wife of Respondent is but a conclusion of the pleader.

No facts are alleged in count three which constitutes Cruelty, such as would be a ground of divorce under Alabama law.

No facts are alleged in count four to support the allegations of Habitual Drunkenness, to show to the court how often the Respondent becomes drunk and the allegations in said counts. are but conclusions of the pleader.

The bill does not offer to do Equity.

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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,

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.
Agreement between the parties.

Testimony of Gertrude Conrow Garrett and Alfred E. Conrow.

Solicitor—for Comp

FOR RESPONDENT

Solicitor-for Respondent

No. 3504

GERTRUDE CONROW GARRETT,

Complainant

Vs.

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COMMISSIONER CERTIFICATE

I, Nellie Lane, heretofore appointed commissioner by consent of the parties in an action in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Equity Division, whereby Gertrude Conrow Garrett is the Complainant and Isaac E. Garrett, is the Respondent, caused Gertrude Conrow Garrett and Alfred E. Conrow who are known to me, to come before me to testify in the office of Herndon Inge, Jr. Esq., in the First National Bank Building in Mobile, Alabama, on the 31st day of May, 1955, and 2:00 P.M. that the said witnesses were duly sworn by me to testify to the whole truth as stated hereinbefore; that the said witnesses were then and there examined by Herndon Inge. Jr., Esq., the solicitor for the Complainant, No Solicitor appearing for the Defendant; that the said witnesses testified in response to to the said examination as it is hereinabove and before written; that the testimony of the said witnesses was by me reduced to writing by typewriter in narrative form and as near as might be in the identical language of said witnesses.

I further certify that each of the said witnesses read the respective depositions and they signed the same in my presence. The depositions are true and correct as given by the witnesses.

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

Witness my hand this 2 day of June, 1955.

<u>Twin Sam</u> Commissioner

Commissioner's fee of \$5.00 has not been paid.

Commissioner

TESTIMONY OF GERTRUDE CONROW GARRETT

My name is Gertrude Conrow Garrett and I am over the age of twenty-one years and am a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, and have been such for more than one year next before the filing of my bill of complaint. My husband, Isaac E. Garrett, the Respondent in my bill for divorce, is over the age of twenty-one years and is also a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. My husband, Isaac E. Garrett, and I were married on the 5th day of July, 1941 in Forest, Mississippi and lived together as husband and wife continually until a few days before the filing of this bill of complaint. My husband and I lived at 202 Summit Street in Fairhope, Alabama for several years prior my leaving home about the 5th of April, 1955. Immediately before leaving and for many months prior thereto my husband, Isaac E. Garrett, became addicted to using alcoholic liquors and became an habitual drunkard. He has for the past several years been a heavy drinker but for the past six or eight months prior to leaving him, he was drunk most of the time. He drank every day, bought liquor and was continually under the influence of alcohol. He would very often get drunk and pass out in our house and it was necessary for me to minister to his every need due to the fact that in the drunken condition he was violent and hard to control. I told him many times prior to leaving that it would be necessary for me to separate from him because of his drunkenness and I separated from him shortly before the 7th of April, 1955. I left his bed and board for the reason of his habitual drunkenness and remain so separated and do not intend to return to him. During his drunken period he is violent and has made many threats on my life and I am afraid to continue living with him further. It is common knowledge in the cummunity in which both of us live that my husband is a drunkard and I have many people who will testify to that fact. I have tried

for many years to make my husband give up drinking but he has gotten continually worse until now it is absolutely impossible for me to continue to live with him because I am afraid for my life in one of his drunken periods.

There are no children born to our marriage and we have entered into an agreement through our respective attorneys as to the disposition of our property.

Gentrude Conrow Garrett

Commissioner's Certification:

I hereby certify that the foregoing deposition is true and correct as given by the foregoing witness.

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TESTIMONY OF ALFRED E. CONROW

My name is Alfred E. Conrow and I am over the age of twenty-one years and reside in Fairhope, Alabama. I know Gertrude Conrow Garrett and Isaac E. Garrett and know that they were married on the 5th day of July, 1941 in Forest, Mississippi and lived together as husband and wife until shortly before the 5th of April, 1955, when Gertrude Conrow Garrett left her husband and moved away from their house. Gertrude Conrow Garrett is over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama and has been such for more than one year next before the filing of her bill of complaint and the Respondent Isaac E. Garrett, is also over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama. I have known Isaac E. Garrett for several years and I know that during the past year he has become addicted to the habitual use of alcohol. I also know from my own personal knowledge that he is a heavy drinker and has not been sober for several months. Since their marriage, Isaac E. Garrett has become addicted to the use of alcoholic liquors and has become an habitual drunkard and is now such and his wife, Gertrude Conrow Garrett has separated from his bed and board and remains so separated. Ι have seen Isaac E. Garrett on many occasions prior to the time his wife left him in April, 1955, and have seen him in a drunken condition many times. I know from my own personal knowledge that he is a drunkard and I have talked to him on the telephone personally and have observed his actions for the past several months. I also know that during his drunken condition he has threatened the life of his wife, Gertrude Conrow Garrett and she is afraid to live with him. When she was forced to leave him because of his drunkenness and because she was afraid to stay with him she had to seek protection in another town due to the fact that many threats were made against her by him. I know Gertrude Conrow Garrett is afraid to return to her husband and has separated from him because of his drunkenness.

Commissioner's Certification:
I hereby certify that the foregoing deposition is true and correct as given by the foregoing witness.

Tolly Jane Commissioner GERTRUDE CONROW GARRETT, : CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN

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ISAAC E. GARRETT, : NO. 3504

Respondent :

DECREE OF DIVORCE

This cause is submitted for decree on the pleadings and the testimony as shown by the note of submission on file, and on consideration, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Complainant is entitled to relief, and that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and the Respondent be and the same are henceforth dissolved and annulled.

It is further ordered and decreed that the Complainant and Respondent be, and hereby are permitted to again contract marriage, subject to such provisions of the law as regulate the marriage of divorced persons, and in no event before the expiration of sixty days after the rendition of this decree.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the agreement entered into between the Complainant and the Respondent on file in this cause be and it hereby is approved.

It is further ordered that Complainant pay the cost of this suit, for which execution may issue.

Dated, this _____day of June, 1955.

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