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ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,

Deceased

vs.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint, _____
in behalf of Administrator on testimony of J.E. Gooden and Carl Bloxham,
and behalf of the minor of said Estate on Cross Examination of Guardian Ad Litem,

and in behalf of Defendants upon _____

Register.

By
 George H. In Bail
 Solicitor for
 Administrator

CCG [Signature]
 Guardian ad Litem

No.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

vs.

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this

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Register.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF X IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED X BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COUNTY, ALABAMA

I, WINSTON LEE BELL, Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, respectfully represent unto Your Honor that on the 31st day of October, 1956, in pursuance to the decree of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama entered on the 19th day of October, 1956, and in strict compliance with all the terms, conditions and requirements of the decree of the said Court, sold at private sale to Winston Lee Bell, individually, for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars the following described property: The leasehold interest in and to the West 32 feet of Lot Eight and the East 4 feet of Lot Nine, Block Three, Division Two of the lands of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in the Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama as per its plat thereof filed for record September 13, 1911, together with all personal property located therein,

One (1) 1950 Chevrolet Pick-up Truck

The Administrator further reports that he is an interested party in that he is the Administrator of the Estate and that he is an heir, being the only adult heir to the Estate.

In consideration of the facts above stated, in which the undersigned is ready to prove at such time and in such form and manner as may be required by Your Honor, the undersigned respectfully prays that said sale may be in all things confirmed and made good to the said purchaser and as in duty bound he will ever pray.

Winston L Bell
Administrator

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of October,
1956.

Laurens M. Bailey
Notary Public

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ALICE J. DUCK, Register
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

REPORT OF SALE OF PROPERTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE §
OF RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED §

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

DECREE CONFIRMING ADMINISTRATOR'S
REPORT OF CONVEYANCE

Now this day comes Winston Lee Bell as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased and within sixty (60) days after making the conveyance authorized and directed by the decree of this Court made on the 19th day of October, 1956, and reports on oath to the Court of the proceedings as taken on the matter of the said conveyance.

The Court has examined the said report, and, being satisfied upon such examination that such proceedings authorized and directed by the decree hereinbefore referred to were fairly conducted, and the interest of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, are not unduly prejudiced thereby, is of the opinion that the execution of the said conveyance by the said Administrator should be confirmed and delivery made to the purchaser, it is, therefore,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the conveyance made on the 31st day of October, 1956 by the said Winston Lee Bell, as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, to Winston Lee Bell, individually, be, and the same is hereby, in all respects confirmed.

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Hubert M. Hall

JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

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DECREE CONFIRMING ADMINISTRATOR'S

REPORT OF CONVEYANCE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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ORDER RECORDED AND INDEXED

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IN THE ESTATE OF

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED

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BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

DECREE AUTHORIZING PRIVATE SALE

This being the day appointed for hearing the application of Mr. Winston Lee Bell, the administrator of the estate of said decedent filed in this Court for the sale of lands and personal property lying in this County, belonging to said estate, and described as follows, to-wit:

The leasehold interest in and to the West 32 feet of Lot Eight and the East 4 feet of Lot Nine, Block Three, Division Two of the lands of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in the Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama as per its plat thereof filed for record September 13, 1911.

for the payment of debts of the said estate, on the grounds that the personal property of said estate is insufficient therefor and for the further reason that it is necessary to sell the same to make distribution to the heirs of the decedent; and it appearing to the Court that the Petitioner is the only adult heir of the decedent and that he has consented to the sale of the same; and E. G. Rickarby, Jr., heretofore appointed guardian ad litem to represent Charles Hal Bell, the minor heir of said estate, in this proceeding, who, in writing on file in this Court, has accepted this appointment and denied the allegations of said application being presented in Court, the Court, on motion of the said Winston Bell, proceeds to hear said application.

And it being shown to the satisfaction of the Court, by testimony taken by deposition and in equity proceedings, on file in this Court, that the personal property of said estate is insufficient for the payment of debts thereof, and the said sale of said personal and real property is necessary for the distribution to the heirs, and the Court being satisfied that the said property can best be sold at private sale for the purposes aforesaid; and being further shown to the satisfaction of the Court that the only adult heir of the decedent, the Petitioner, and being the only resident of the State of Alabama, having made due and diligent efforts to obtain and receive offers for the sale of the described property; that he has received no just and rea-

sonable sum as an offer to purchase and it being shown to the satisfaction of the Court that the Petitioner is willing to pay a reasonable sum for the described property heretofore set forth; and that it is in the best interests of the heirs of the decedent that the said property be sold to the Petitioner at private sale rather than public sale;

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the said application be granted, and the said Winston Lee Bell is hereby authorized to purchase the said property , personal and real, for the purpose of making payment of debts and to make equal distribution or division among the said heirs, for cash.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the sum of \$2000 Dollars is considered a reasonable value for the purchase of the described personal and real property.

After making this distribution or sale of the above described personal and real property, the said administrator shall report his action in the premises to this Court for confirmation.

Jurisdiction of this cause is reserved for the purpose of making such other and further orders or decrees as may be necessary and proper in the premises.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on this the 19 day of ^{October} ~~September~~, 1956.

Hubert M. Hall
JUDGE

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

I, Alice J. Duck, as Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of a Decree rendered in and for the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity, in connection with the administration of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, which bears even date herewith, authorizing the administrator of the said estate to make private sale of the personal and real property of said estate in order to make settlement of the debts of said estate and to make distribution of the same among the heirs, as the same appears of record in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal on this the 29th day of ~~September~~, 1956.

Alice J. Duck
Register of the Circuit Court
of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity,

DECREE AUTHORIZING PRIVATE SALE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

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AMCE J. DUCK, Register

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF X
RUTH POLLARD BELL, Deceased X

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

ORDER FOR DATE OF HEARING

This day came Winston Lee Bell, Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidences and statements for the final settlement of the same.

It is hereby ordered that the 15th day of January, 1957 be appointed the day for making such settlement, at which time all parties interested can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Hubert M. Zelle
JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT

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ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

DECREE APPOINTING GUARDIAM AD LITEM

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the petition of Winston Lee Bell that one of the heirs is an infant under the age of fourteen (14) years; and it further appears that _____

E. B. Rickarby is in all respects a suitable person to act as guardian ad litem for said infant; and the said E. B. Rickarby having filed his consent in writing to act as such;

It is hereby ordered by the Register of said Court that E. B. Rickarby be, and he is hereby, appointed guardian ad litem in this cause for the said infant, Charles Hal Bell.

Witness my hand this 6th day of August, 1956.

Reigel-Warck
Register

ACCEPTANCE

I, E. B. Rickarby, hereby accept the above appointment as guardian ad litem, and consent to act as such in the above cause.

Witness my hand this 7th day of August, 1956.

E. B. Rickarby
Guardian ad litem

ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
DECEASED

DECREE APPOINTING GUARDIAN
AD LITEM and ACCEPTANCE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

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

Your Petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, Administrator of the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, respectfully shows unto Your Honor that the ready money left by said decedent is not sufficient for the payment of probably valid claims against said estate already provided, as your Petitioner is ready more freely to show unto Your Honor; that it is necessary to convert the personal property of the said estate into money for the purpose of distributing such portion as may remain, after paying the just debts of said estate and the costs and charges of administering, among the heirs; and that the personal property of said estate cannot be freely and equitably distributed among the heirs of said estate without a sale thereof; that the personal property of said estate consists of household furnishings and one 1950 Chevrolet pick-up truck; that the said decedent at the time of her death owned the following lands situated in the said County of Baldwin, and described as follows, to-wit:

The leasehold interest in and to West 32 feet of Lot Eight (8) and the East 4 feet of Lot Nine (9), Block Three (3), Division Two (2) of the land of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in the Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama as per its plat thereof filed for record September 13, 1911.

The heirs of the said Ruth Pollard Bell are as follows, namely: Winston Lee Bell, your Petitioner, who is over the age of twenty-one years, of sound mind, and residing in Mobile County, Alabama, and Charles Hal Bell, a minor of eleven years of age, of good health, and who resides in South Houston, Texas; that the said land cannot be equitably divided or partitioned among said heirs; that the said Winston Lee Bell, one of the said adult heirs, request in writing that said lands be sold for distribution, being only adult heir.

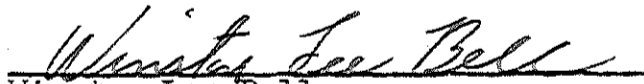
Wherefore, your Petitioner avers that it is necessary for Your Honor to grant an order in the premises, and prays that for the purpose of payment of debts of said estate and the purpose of a distribution among said heirs Your Honor will grant an order of sale of all the personal and real property of the estate. Your Petitioner therefore prays Your Honor to hear this his petition in that behalf and proof will be submitted in support thereof and that your Honor will grant an order directing Petitioner to sell same and will make such further order as

may be by law required in such cases and as the necessities of the estate also require.

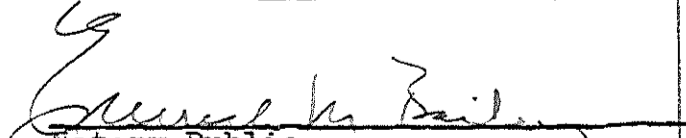
Your Petitioner further shows unto Your Honor that he has made considerable effort to sell the personal and leasehold property set forth above at private sale; that he has retained, prior to this date, two duly licensed real estate brokers in Baldwin County to advertise and receive offers for the sale of the described property; that he has received no just or reasonable sum as an offer to purchase, as your Petitioner is able to show Your Honor; that your Petitioner, being the only adult heir and the only heir residing in the state of Alabama, is willing to pay a reasonable sum on the described property hereinabove set forth; that it is in the best interest of the heirs that said property be sold to your Petitioner.

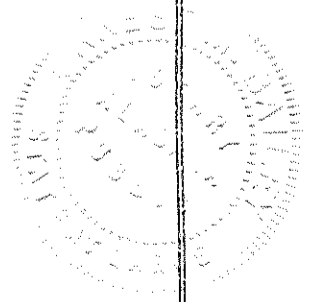
Wherefore, your Petitioner avers that it is necessary for Your Honor to grant an order in the premises and prays that for the purpose of payment of debts and for the distribution among said heirs of the estate, Your Honor will grant an order of sale, and confirmation of all the property of the estate to your Petitioner.

Your Petitioner therefore prays Your Honor to hear this his petition in that behalf and will hear testimony in proof thereof as to the reasonable sum that your Petitioner should pay for said property and that Your Honor will grant an order confirming a sale of the said property to your Petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, and will make such further order as may be by law in such cases required and as the necessities of the said estate will require.


Winston Lee Bell
Petitioner

Subscribed to and sworn before me this the 26th day of June, 1956.


Notary Public



ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
deceased

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

PETITION TO REMOVE ADMINISTRATION

To the Honorable Hubert . Hall, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County,
Alabama, Sitting in Equity:

Your Petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, who is over twenty-one years of age and
a resident of Mobile County, Alabama, respectfully represents unto the Court and
Your Honor as follows:

1.

He has been appointed, qualified and is now acting as administrator of this
said estate, the administration of which is now pending in the Probate Court of
Baldwin County, Alabama

2.

Among the assets of the said estate is a leasehold interest in certain lands
of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in the Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County,
Alabama, which should be sold at private sale for distribution among the heirs of
said estate, because of which the administration of said estate can be better
handled in the Equity Court than in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,
where it is now pending.

Wherefore, Petitioner prays that the Court will take jurisdiction of this
petition and make and enter a proper order or decree removing the administration of
the estate from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama to the Circuit Court,
Baldwin County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity. Petitioner further prays that such other
orders be made and decrees rendered as may be requisite and proper in the premises.

Winston Lee Bell
Petitioner

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Before me, the undersigned authority, within and for said County in said State,
personally appeared Winston Lee Bell, who, after being first duly and legally sworn
by me, deposes and says: That he has read over the foregoing petition and that the
facts stated therein are true.

James M. Bailey
Notary Public

Notary Public
James H. Jones
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before me, the undersigned notary public, within and for said County in said State,

COUNTY OF BELDWIN)
STATE OF ALABAMA)

Wm. H. Jones
Notary Public

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Bellevue County, Alabama
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ESTATE OF
RUTH POLLARD BELL
PETITION TO
REMOVE ADMINISTRATION
Your Honor as follows:

a resident of Mobile County, Alabama, respectfully represents unto the Court and
Your Petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, who is over twenty-one years of age and
Alabama, sitting in Equity.
to the Honorable Robert L. Bell, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County,

PETITION TO REMOVE ADMINISTRATION
IN EQUITY
Baldwin County, Alabama
deceased
ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

ERNEST M. BAILEY

ATTORNEY AT LAW

221 FAIRHOPE AVE.

TELEPHONE WAVERLY 8-9759

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

December
5th
1956

Mrs. Alice J. Duck
Clerk, Circuit Court of
Baldwin County
Bay Minette, Alabama

IN RE: Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, Deceased

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Enclosed herewith find Petition for Final Settlement in the above estate. I would appreciate your taking such action as may be necessary to publish notice of this Petition.

It will be noted that Mr. E. G. Rickarby, Jr. was appointed guardian ad litem in this matter. I am enclosing a copy of the Petition to be forwarded to him.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,


Ernest M. Bailey

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ERNEST M. BAILEY

ATTORNEY AT LAW

221 FAIRHOPE AVE.

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FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

December
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Clerk of Circuit Court of
Baldwin County
Bay Minette, Alabama

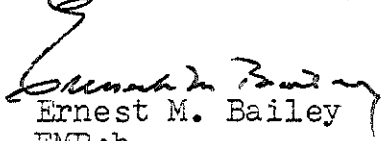
In re: Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Enclosed find order setting the date for hearing of final settlement in the above matter. I have filed a copy for publication in the Fairhope Courier. In furnishing the information to the Courier, I gave the date for the hearing as January 15, 1957. Please bring this to Judge Hall's attention and if that date is convenient, he may so designate in the Order.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Very truly yours,


Ernest M. Bailey

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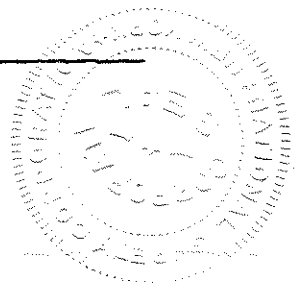
STATE OF ALABAMA)

MOBILE COUNTY)

We, the undersigned National Surety Corporation, being the surety in that certain bond No. 1599913 of Winston Lee Bell as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, do hereby accept service of notice of the petition for Final Settlement by said Administrator, and waive all other or further notice thereof, either by publication or otherwise.

NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION

By E. S. Jenkins
Attorney in Fact



STATE OF ALABAMA)

MOBILE COUNTY)

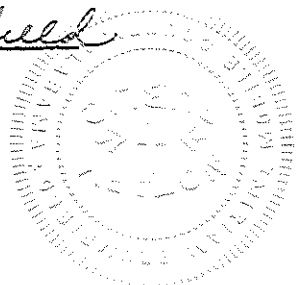
I, Miriam Brunfield, a notary public in and for said State and County, do hereby certify that E.S. Jenkins, whose name is signed to the foregoing instrument as Attorney in Fact for National Surety Corporation and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that she, as such officer and with full authority, executed the same as and for the act of said corporation.

Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of January, 1957.

Miriam Brunfield
Notary Public

My commission expires

Jan. 19, 1960



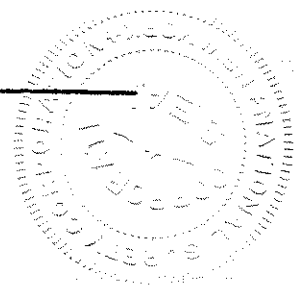
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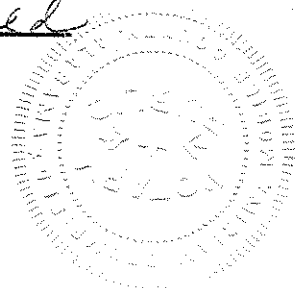
STATE OF ALABAMA)

MOBILE COUNTY)

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Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of January, 1957.

My commission expires

Jan. 19, 1960.Miriam Brunfield
Notary Public

Bay Minette, Ala.,

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Est. Ruth Pollard Bell, Dec'd.

IN ACCOUNT WITH
W. R. STUART

Judge of Probate, Baldwin County

PLEASE RETURN BILL WITH REMITTANCE

Recording from to Privilege Tax Rec. Fee Total

approving & Recdg. Inventory

\$ 1.75

STATE OF ALABAMA

PROBATE COURT

BALDWIN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED

PETITION FOR LETTER OF ADMINISTRATION

To the Honorable W. R. Stuart, Judge of Probate of said County:

The petition of the undersigned Winston Lee Bell respectfully represents that Ruth Pollard Bell departed this life in Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama on or about the 24th day of October, 1954, leaving no last will and testament, so far as your petitioner knows or believes, and that her death was known more than five days before this date, and this petition further shows that the said Ruth Pollard Bell was at the time of her death an inhabitant of this County and died seized and possessed of real and personal estate in this State consisting chiefly of a leasehold interest in one (1) lot, with improvements thereon, of lands owned by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation of an estimated rental value of Thirty Five Dollars per month and miscellaneous items of personal effects, all of said property and real estate being estimated to be worth Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), and probably not more; that the names, residences, ages and condition of the heirs and distributees of the estate of the said decedent, so far as your petitioner knows and believes, are as follows, to-wit: A nephew, Charles Hal Bell of 401 Indian Street, South Houston, Texas, age Eleven (11), of good health, and, your petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, a son of the decedent, of 360 Greenwood Lane, Springhill, Alabama, above the age of Twenty-one (21) and of good health.

Your petitioner being the son of said deceased, an inhabitant of this State, above the age of 21 years and in no respect disqualified under the laws from serving as administrator, believing that the said estate should be immediately administered to the end that said property may be collected and preserved for those who shall appear to have a legal right or interest therein, does, therefore, by virtue of his right under the statute, pray that Your Honor will grant Letters of Administration to him on the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell upon his entering into bond in such amount as is required by the statute, and with such security or securities as shall be approved by Your Honor.

Petitioner further states that his Attorney of record is Ernest M. Bailey, of Fairhope, Alabama.

Winston Lee Bell
Winston Lee Bell

STATE OF ALABAMA)
BALDWIN COUNTY)

Winston Lee Bell being duly sworn, deposes and says that the facts alleged in the above petition are true according to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Granch M Bailey

Notary Public

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

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W. R. Stuart
Judge of Probate *MS*

State of Alabama,

MOBILE COUNTY
Baldwin

BOOK 006 PAGE 35

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Winston Lee Bell, as Principal, and
National Surety Corporation, as Surety

all of the County of Mobile, are held and firmly bound unto W. R. Stuart
W. R. Stuart, Judge of the
Probate Court, in and for the County of Baldwin and his Successors in office, in the sum of
Four Thousand and 00/100 - - - (\$4,000.00) - - - - - Dollars,
to be paid to the said Judge, or his successors in office, to which payment well and truly to be made,
we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these pre-
sents. Sealed with our seals, and dated the 25 day of February in the year of our Lord,
nineteen hundred and fifty-five.

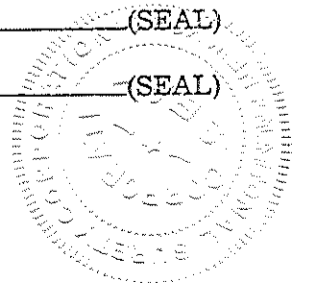
The conditions of the above obligation are such, That whereas, the above bound
Winston Lee Bell
has been duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, Deceased

Now if the said Winston Lee Bell
shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him
as such Administrator then the above obligation
to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken and approved 3RD day
of MARCH A. D., 1955
W. R. Stuart
Judge.

Winston Lee Bell (SEAL)
NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION (SEAL)
By E. S. Jenkins (SEAL)
Attorney in Fact (SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY
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W. R. Stuart
Judge of Probate



NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION

New York

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

BOOK 006 PAGE 36

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION, a Corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office in the City of New York, N. Y., hath made, constituted and appointed, and does by these presents make, constitute and appoint B. F. ADAMS, JR., & E. S. JENKINS

Jointly or Severally

of MOBILE and State of ALABAMA
its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in its name, place and stead, to execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts, agreements of indemnity and other conditional or obligatory undertakings; provided, however, that the penal sum of any one such instrument executed hereunder shall not exceed ONE MILLION (\$1,000,000.00) DOLLARS

and to bind the Corporation thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bonds were signed by the President, sealed with the corporate seal of the Corporation and duly attested by its Secretary, hereby ratifying and confirming all that the said Attorney(s)-in-Fact may do in the premises. Said appointment is made under and by authority of the following provisions of the By-laws of NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION:

"ARTICLE XII. RESIDENT OFFICERS AND ATTORNEYS-IN-FACT.

"Section 1.—The Chairman, President or any Vice-President may from time to time appoint Resident Vice-Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries and Attorneys-in-Fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the corporation and the Chairman, President, or any Vice-President, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee may at any time suspend or revoke the powers and authority given to any such Resident Vice-President, Resident Assistant Secretary and Attorney-in-Fact, and also remove them from office. (Adopted April 29, 1933. Applies to all powers of attorney executed prior to May 25, 1933).

"Section 1.—The President, Executive Vice-President or any Vice-President may, from time to time, appoint Resident Vice-Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries and Attorneys-in-Fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the Corporation and the President, Executive Vice-President or any Vice-President, the Board of Directors or the Executive and Finance Committee may at any time suspend or revoke the powers and authority given to any such Resident Vice-President, Resident Assistant Secretary or Attorney-in-Fact, and also remove any of them from office. (As amended May 25, 1933. Applies to all powers of attorney executed prior to April 27, 1943).

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"Section 7.—Attorneys-in-Fact.—Attorneys-in-Fact are hereby authorized to verify any affidavit required to be attached to bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, or other conditional or obligatory undertakings, and they are also authorized and empowered to certify to a copy of the By-laws of the Corporation or any Article or Section thereof. (Adopted April 29, 1933. Applies to all powers of attorney executed prior to May 25, 1933).

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"Section 7.—Attorneys-in-Fact—Verifications.—Attorneys-in-Fact are hereby authorized to verify any affidavit required to be attached to bonds, recognizances, contracts, agreements of indemnity, or other conditional or obligatory undertakings, and they are also authorized and empowered to certify to copies of the By-laws of the Corporation or any Article or Section thereof. (As amended April 27, 1943. Applies to all powers of attorney executed prior to June 27, 1944).

"Section 7.—Attorneys-in-Fact—Verifications—Certifications.—Attorneys-in-Fact are hereby authorized to verify, by affidavit or otherwise, the authority to execute bonds, recognizances, contracts, agreements of indemnity, and other conditional or obligatory undertakings; and to certify, by affidavit or otherwise, as to the inspection or examination of assets of the estates, where the fiduciary responsible for such assets is bonded by the Corporation; and they are also authorized and empowered to certify to copies of the By-laws of the Corporation or any Article or Section thereof. (As amended June 27, 1944. Applies to all powers of attorney executed on or after that date).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President, attested by its Assistant Secretary, and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 14th day of MAY A.D., 1953.

NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION

(Seal)

By S. G. DRAKE

Vice President

ATTEST: A. N. MacDOUGALL

Assistant Secretary

STATE OF NEW YORK,
COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

SS. :

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On this 14th

day of

MAY

A.D., 1953.

before me personally came S. G. DRAKE, to me known,
who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides in the City of New York; that he is Vice
President of NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION, the Corporation described in and which executed the
above instrument; that he knows the seal of said Corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is
such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said Corporation and that he signed

his name thereto by like order. And said S. G. DRAKE

further said that he is acquainted with A. N. MacDOUGALL and knows him
to be an Assistant Secretary of said Corporation; and that he executed the above instrument.

(Notarial seal affixed)

ELIZABETH C. KING

Notary Public

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON

SS. :

I, Louise Cross, Resident Assistant Secretary and Attorney-in-Fact of NATIONAL SURETY
CORPORATION, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Power of Attorney
(including applicable By-law sections), executed by said NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION, which is still in
force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Corporation, at the

City of Atlanta, Ga., this

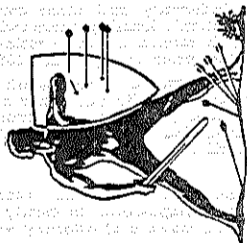
25th

day

February

A.D., 1955

Louise Cross
Resident Assistant Secretary and Attorney-in-Fact



NATIONAL SURETY
CORPORATION
New York

GENERAL
POWER OF ATTORNEY

TO

ON

DATE

19

F. 2514

STATE OF ALABAMA

PROBATE COURT

BALDWIN COUNTY

MARCH 3RD, 1955

RUTH POLLARD BELL, Deceased, Estate of.

GRANT OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

This day came Winston Lee Bell and filed his application in writing and under oath, alleging that Ruth Pollard Bell, who, at the time of her death was an inhabitant of this County, died, intestate, on or about the 24th day of October, 1954, leaving assets in this State consisting of real estate, the estimated value of which is \$1,260.00, and annual rent of said real estate is \$420.00, and personal property, the estimated value of which is, \$340.00. That the death of the intestate has been known more than five days; and that petitioner is the son on said decedent; and praying that letters of administration may be granted to him upon his entering into bond in such sum and with such securities as are required by law; and said Winston Lee Bell having filed bond as such administrator in the sum of \$4,000.00 dollars, with NATIONAL SURETY COMPANY as securities thereon, payable and conditioned as the law directs, and approved by the Judge of this Court.

It is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court, that said Winston Lee Bell be and he is hereby appointed administrator of said estate and that letters of administration on said estate do issue to him forthwith.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court, That said Winston Lee Bell as such administrator, proceed immediately to collect and take into his possession the goods and chattels, money, books, papers and evidences of debt of the decedent, except the personal property specifically exempted from administration under Tit. 7, Section 664 of the Code of Alabama, 1940, and to make and return to this Court within two months, a full and complete inventory of the same.

Done this 3RD day of MARCH, 1955.


Judge of Probate

STATE OF ALADAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

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W. R. Stuart
Judge of Probate KS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin

County

COURT OF PROBATE

Letters of Administration on the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased,

are hereby granted to Winston Lee Bell, who has duly qualified

and given bond as such administrator, and is authorized to administer such estate.

Witness my hand, and dated this 3rd day of March, 19 55.

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

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W. R. Stuart
Judge of Probate

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

County }

I, _____, Judge of Probate in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of the Letters of Administration issued to

_____ as Administrat_____ of the

estate of _____, deceased, as the same appears of record in my office.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the _____ day of _____, 19____.

Judge of Probate

No. _____

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

County

PROBATE COURT

ESTATE OF

Deceased

Administrat

Letters of Administration

No. 3477 In the Matter of Est Ruth Island Mill, Inc.
Winston L. Bell Administrator, Executor or Guardian Residence
 Attorneys Ernest M. Bailey Docket Page Fee Book B Page 255

DATE	FEES OF PROBATE JUDGE	AMOUNT	DATE	FEES OF PROBATE JUDGE	AMOUNT
	WILL—Order on Presentation, \$1.00 Affidavit in Petition for Probate, 25c Recording Petition, per 100 words, 15c Issuing Citation, ent'g Sheriff's Returns, 50c App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem, 50c Issuing Subpoenas for Witness, 50c Affidavit of Witnesses, 25c Examining Wit. and order Probating, \$2.00 Issuing Commission to take Deposition, 50c Filing Interrogatories, 10c Copy of same, per 100 words, 15c Recording Will, per 100 words, 15c Recording Testimony, per 100 words, 15c Certificate, without seal, 25c Certificate, with seal, 50c Presiding at Trial C't'd Will, per day, \$2.50			BROUGHT FORWARD, Affidavit to Report, 25c Recording, per 100 words, 15c Appointing Com'r to Divide, and Writ, \$2.00 Approving Division and Order thereon, \$1.00 App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem, 50c	8 30
3-3-55	LETTERS—Affidavit in Petition, 25c Recording Petition, per 100 words, 15c Rec'ding Rel. Right to Admin'r., 100 words, 15c Granting Letters of Administration, 50c Issuing and Recording same, 50c Granting Let. of Adm'n. to minor, 75c Issuing, Filing and Recording same, 50c Taking, App., Filing, Rec. Adm. Bonds, \$1.00 Taking, App., Filing, Guard. Bond, \$1.00 Affidavit of Justification, 25c Granting Order of Appraisement, 50c Issuing Order of Appraisement, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Order Removing Executor, Adm. Guard, \$2.00 Order Appointing General Guardian, \$1.00 Issuing and Recording same, 50c Order Appointing General Administ'r., \$1.00 Issuing and Recording same, 50c Order Appointing Adm'r ad Litem, \$1.00 Issuing and Recording same, 50c	25 1 30 1 30 50 1 50 1 00 2 00		PARTIAL SETTLEMENT—Affidavit in Acc't, 25c Affidavit to List of Heirs, 25c Examining, Stating Acc't and Ap. Hear., \$1.00 Order to Publish Notice of Sale, 50c App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem, 50c Examining Vouchers, 10c Administering Affidavits, 25c Making Decree and Order to Record, \$1.50 Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Filing Claims and giving Receipt, 15c	
	HOMESTEAD—Rec. Pet'n for Com., 100 words, 15c Record, Order for App., per 100 words, 15c Recording Order for Com., per 100 words, 15c Notice to Commissioners, 50c Recording Report of Com., per 100 words, 15c Record, Order Setting Apart, 100 words, 15c		INSOLVENCY—Affidavit in Report, 25c Affidavit to Statements, 25c Recording Rep't and Statem't, 100 words, 15c Order Appointing Day of Hearing, 25c Order to Publish Notice of same, 25c Order for Citations, 25c Iss'g Notice to Creditor Day of Hearing, 50c Order Sustaining Report, 25c Order for Settlement, 25c Order to Publish Day of Settlement, 25c Issuing Notice of Day of Settlement, 25c Affidavit to Amount of Claims, 25c App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem., 50c		
	INVENTORY—Order to Approve and Record, 50c Affidavit to same, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c		SALE OF REAL ESTATE—Affidavit in Petition, 25c Recording Petition, per 100 words, 15c Order App't'g Day of Hear. and Notice, \$1.00 Order to Publish Notice of same, 50c Issuing Citations, Ent'g Sheriff's Return, 50c App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem, 50c Issuing Commission to take Deposition, 50c Filing Interrogatories, 10c Copy of Interrogatories, per 100 words, 15c App't'g Com. to Divide and Issue Writ, \$2.00 Affidavit to Report of Same, 25c Order Approving Division and Report, \$1.00 Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Hearing Applic'n for Dower, Iss'g Writ, \$4.00 Exam'g Testim'y and Grant Ord'r to Sell, \$2.00 Recording Depositions, per 100 words, 15c Record. Reliq'm't of Dower, 100 words, 15c Recording Report, per 100 words, 15c Rec. Paym't Purchase Money, 100 words, 15c Making Order on Report of Sale of Land, 75c Hear Ap'n to Compel Conveyance, etc., \$2.00		
	SUPPLEMENT INVENTORY—Order App., Rec., 50c Affidavit to same, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Recording Decree, per 100 words, 15c				
	APPRAISEMENT—Order Approving, Rec., 50c Affidavit to same, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c			FINAL SETTLEMENT—Affidavit in Account, 25c Affidavit to Statement of Heirs, 25c Exam'g, Stating and Recording Acc't, \$1.00 Order to Publish Notice of same, 50c App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem, 50c Examining Vouchers, 10c Administering Affidavits, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Decree in Final Settlement, 50c	
	SUPPLEMENT APPRAISEMENT—Grant, Order, 50c Issuing Order of Appraisement, 25c Recording Warrant, per 100 words, 15c Order to Approve Appraisement, 50c Affidavit to same, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Recording Decree, per 100 words, 15c			SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS—Proceedings for Declaration of Unsound Mind and App. Guard. ad Litem, \$5.00 Recording Decree Relieving Minors, etc., \$1.00 Proceed to Perpetuate Testimony, per 100 words, 20c Other Services Relating Thereto, 75c Record. Pro'dings Bind'g Out Appra., \$1.00	
	SALE OF PERISHABLE PROPERTY—Petition, 25c Recording same, per 100 words, 15c Granting Order of Sale, 50c Issuing Order of Sale, 25c App'ting and Notifying Guard, ad Litem, 50c Recording, per 100 words, 15c				
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	CARRIED FORWARD	8 50		TOTAL PROBATE JUDGE'S FEES,	13 00

The State of Alabama,

COUNTY

PROBATE COURT

IN THE MATTER OF

PROBATE FEE BILL

RECEIVED OF:

Dollars

On Payment of the above, this..... day of

91

Judge of Probate.

Box E91-2) MORGAN & BEUCE, NASHVILLE

DATE		FEE OF SHERIFF	AMOUNT	DATE		FEE OF WITNESSES	AMOUNT
		Serving and Returning Citations, @ \$.65					
		Serving Witness, @ .65					
		Collecting Execution for Cost, 1.50					
		Serving Application to Perpetuate Testimony, 1.00					
		Impaneling Jury, 75					
		Serving Notices, @ .65					
		Summoning Jury Dower, per day, 5.00					
		Serving Writs, @ 1.50					
		Sheriff's Commission,				I have Received the Amount Opposite my Name.	
		FEE OF PRINTER					
		FEE OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM					
		FEE OF COMMISSIONERS					

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"On Mobile Bay"

This is to certify that the attached legal notice appeared in The Fairhope Courier, a newspaper published weekly in the City of Fairhope, County of Baldwin, State of Alabama on the dates of March 10, 17 and 24th, 1955.

James H. Crawford

Editor

Legal Notice

Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, Deceased.

PROBATE COURT

Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 3rd day of March 1955, by the Hon W. R. Stuart Judge of

the Probate Court of Baldwin Co., notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Winston Lee Bell Administrator of said estate.

ERNEST M. BAILEY,
Attorney

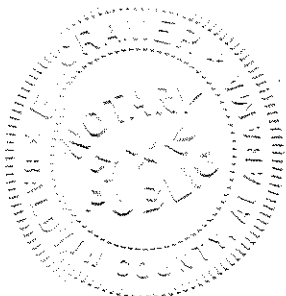
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State of Alabama
County of Baldwin

Sworn to and subscribed this twenty-fifth day of March, A. D. 1955, before me.

E. Crannel

Notary Public, Baldwin County



ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL)
 DECEASED.)

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
 BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL AND REAL
 PROPERTY OF THE ESTATE OF RUTH
 POLLARD BELL, DECEASED

Now comes Winston Lee Bell, Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, as duly appointed, and files this inventory of the personal and real property assets belonging to this estate:

Real Estate: Leasehold interest in the West 32 feet of Lot eight (8) and the East 4 feet of Lot nine (9), Block three (3), Division two(2) of the land of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in the Town of Fairhope, Alabama, as per its plat thereof filed for record September 13, 1911. ----- \$ 1,300.00

Personal Estate:

Household furniture		\$ 108.00
Personal effects		10.00
1950 Chev. Truck		200.00
Cash and other indebtedness	None	
		<hr/> \$ 318.00
Grand Total		\$1,618.00

Winston L. Bell

As Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, Deceased.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on

this 2nd day of May 1955.

Clement M. Bailey
 Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

Filed 5/12/55
 Recorded Pro. & Man book 6 page 334
W. R. Stewart
 Judge of Probate

RUTH POLLARD BELL, Deceased

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Probate Court of
Baldwin County, Alabama
12th May, 1955

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This day came WINSTON LEE BELL, the Administrator of the estate of said decedent, and presents his inventory of said estate, in due form, and properly verified.

It is ORDERED that the same be filed and recorded.



Judge of Probate

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BALDWIN

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RUTH POLLARD BELL, Deceased
Estate of

DECREE ON FINAL SETTLEMENT

This being the day appointed for the final settlement of the administration of Winston Lee Bell, Administrator of the Estate of said decedent; and it appearing to the Court that due notice thereof has been given by publication, in strict compliance with the former order of this Court in regard to the estate; and Elliott G. Rickarby, Jr., heretofore appointed guardian ad litem to represent the interest of Charles Hal Bell, the only minor interested in this settlement, who has in writing, on file in this Court, accepted said appointment and being present in Court denies the correctness of every item of said account and of every statement made in connection therewith, the Court on motion of Winston Lee Bell, proceeds to examine and audit the account.

Whereupon it is shown by satisfactory proof that each item of the credit side of said account is correct; that said Winston Lee Bell has received of the assets of said estate the sum of 2,000.60 dollars; and that he has justly expended in and about the costs and charges necessary and incident to the said administration, in the payment of taxes, and in the payment of the just debts of said decedent, the sum of 424.10 dollars, leaving a balance of 1,575.90 dollars. And said account appearing to be full and correct;

It is decreed by the Court that said account be, and the same is hereby, in all things, passed and allowed as stated.

It is decreed by the Court, that said Administrator shall pay all the costs of Court incident to these proceedings, including the sum of 50 dollars, which sum is hereby allowed as a guardian ad litem fee to Elliott G. Rickarby, Jr., the guardian ad litem, for which execution may issue.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the said Administrator shall pay to Ernest M. Bailey, Attorney at Law, for his services in this matter the sum of 200.00 dollars, which sum is hereby allowed as a reasonable attorney fee for these proceedings.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Administrator shall pay over to himself the sum of 100.00 dollars,

which sum is hereby allowed as a reasonable fee to the Administrator of the said decedent.

It further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that there remains a balance due in the amount of 54.30 dollars as the Court costs of these proceedings and that the total or aggregate of said charges against the said estate amount to 828.40 dollars, including such costs, leaving a balance of 1,171.60 dollars for distribution to the heirs of the said decedent.

Therefore, it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Administrator shall pay over to Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Clerk of the Circuit Court, the sum of 54.30 dollars as the balance due as and for the costs of these proceedings; that the said Administrator shall pay over to the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, as authorized by the Code of Alabama, 1940, Title 13, Section 293, the sum of 585.80 dollars, which sum is the part of the estate to which the minor heir, Charles Hal Bell, is entitled; that the said Winston Lee Bell shall retain for himself the sum of 585.80, in addition to the sum heretofore allowed, as a reasonable fee to the Administrator, which sum is the part of the estate to which he is entitled.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that upon the payment of all costs and charges as above set forth, the said estate and it hereby is in all respects fully and finally settled and that Winston Lee Bell, the said Administrator, and the surety on his bond, and they are hereby relieved from all further liabilities because of his said administration.

WITNESS my hand this the 21st day of January, 1957.

Hubert M. Hall
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

DECREE ON FINAL SETTLEMENT

RUTH POLLARD BELL, DECEASED
ESTATE OF

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

FILED
JAN 21 1957
ALICE J. DUCK, Register

ERNEST M. BAILEY

ATTORNEY AT LAW
393 FAIRHOPE AVE.
TELEPHONE WAVERLY 8-9759
FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

May 6, 1955

Mrs Alice Duck
Clerk, Circuit Court
Baldwin County
Bay Minette, Alabama

In re: Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell

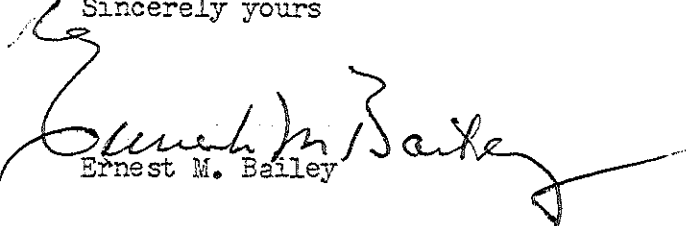
Dear Mrs Duck:

Attached herewith find a Petition to Remove the Administration of the aboved styled estate from the Probate Court to the Circuit Court.

I would indeed appreciate you referring this petition to Judge Hall for his consideration. I am also attaching a Decree of Removal for his signature.

I hope you will find these in order. Thanking you in advance, I am

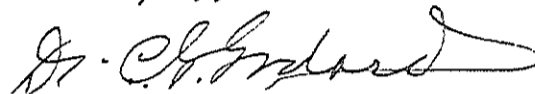
Sincerely yours


Ernest M. Bailey

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
 COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of payment in full of the claim heretofore filed by the undersigned against the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, and I do hereby nominate and appoint Ernest M. Bailey, Attorney at Law, or the Hon. W. Ramsey Stuart, as Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, or either of them, my true and lawful attorney in fact, for me and in my name, to release, discharge and mark canceled of record, the claim heretofore filed by me in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, against said Bell Estate.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1956.



 Dr. C. G. GODARD, Claimant

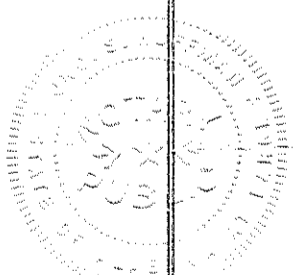
STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
 COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, Dr. C. G. Godard, known to me, who being by me first duly sworn, and whose name is signed to the foregoing release and appointment of attorney, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the instrument, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 1st day of December, 1956.

Jno. S. Huffman, Notary Public
 State of Alabama
 My Commission Expires October 9 1957


 NOTARY PUBLIC
 State of Alabama at Large



ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
DECEASED

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

ANSWER OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM

as to final settlement

Now comes Elliott G. Rickarby, Jr. as Guardian Ad Litem for Charles Hal Bell, and for answer to the petition filed by Winston Lee Bell, denies the allegations of said petition, separately and severally, and demands strict proof thereof.

E. G. Rickarby, Jr.
Guardian ad Litem

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF §
RUTH POLLARD BELL, Deceased §

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

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

Comes your Petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, Administrator of the
Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, and respectfully shows and
states unto this Honorable Court the following facts:

That your Petitioner was named and designated as Administrator
of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, on the 3rd day of March,
1955; that after such appointment your Petitioner gave notice as re-
quired by law by publication in The Fairhope Courier, a newspaper of
general circulation published in said County, notifying all persons
having claims against said Estate to present the same within the
time allowed by law or the same would be barred, and that more than
six months have expired since that date and the publication of such
notice;

That the following is a recapitulation of the amounts received
and the amounts paid out as such Administrator, to-wit:

Total Amount Received: \$2,000.00

B. F. Adams (Administrator Bond)	\$ 48.00
Cost of Court	13.00
Funeral Expenses	10.00
Carl L. Bloxham (Mortgage)	243.20
Property Insurance	19.76
Property Taxes	50.74
Dr. C. G. Godard	40.00

Total Amount Paid

\$435.43

Balance on Hand:

424.10

\$1,564.57

1,575.90

That the heirs of the said Ruth Pollard Bell are as follows,
namely: Winston Lee Bell, your Petitioner, who is over the age of
twenty-one years, and only adult heir, and Charles Hal Bell, a minor
of eleven years of age, residing in South Houston, Texas, and having
no legal guardian; that Elliot G. Rickarby, Jr., Attorney at Law, has
heretofore been appointed as Guardian ad Litem to represent the in-
terest of the said minor, Charles Hal Bell.

THEREFORE, the premises considered, your Petitioner prays that this instrument and the accompanying vouchers be taken and accepted by Your Honor as and for his report and petition for final settlement; that notice of such petition be given as required by law and a date appointed for final settlement; that Your Honor will allow and confirm the disbursement of all moneys and effects paid out by your Petitioner on account of the said Estate; that Your Honor will establish a reasonable guardian ad litem fee to be paid to Elliott G. Rickarby, Jr. for representing the interest of the minor heir of the Estate; that Your Honor will set and allow a reasonable attorney fee to Ernest M. Bailey for his services in this matter; that Your Honor will set and allow a reasonable fee to your Petitioner as Administrator of the said Estate; and, Your Honor will direct that the balance due, after deducting the costs of these proceedings, to the minor heir, Charles Hal Bell, be paid to the Judge of the Probate Court, Baldwin County, Alabama as authorized by the Code of Alabama, 1940, Title 13, Section 293, and that the said Administrator be henceforth discharged from all other and further liabilities for and on account of his administratorship of the said Estate.

Winston Lee Bell
Winston Lee Bell

STATE OF ALABAMA)
BALDWIN COUNTY)

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Winston Lee Bell, Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, who being first duly sworn, makes oath that the foregoing account is a full and correct statement of all his dealings and transactions and all moneys and effects paid out by him on account of said Estate, and that he has not used any of the funds of said Estate for his own benefit.

Winston Lee Bell
Winston Lee Bell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 29th day of November, 1956.

Ernest M. Bailey
Notary Public
State of Alabama at Large

NO. 3522

PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

IN THE ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD
BELL, DECEASED

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Filed 12-7-56
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STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BALDWIN

IN THE ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL

TESTIMONY OF MR. J. E. GOODEN:

Q. Your name is Mr. J. E. Gooden?

A. Yes

Q. What is your occupation?

A. Real Estate and Insurance business

Q. How long have you been in this business, Mr. Gooden?

A. Nineteen or twenty years

Q. Is your business located in the City of Fairhope?

A. Yes

Q. You are familiar with the market value of property in this area?

A. Yes

Q. Do you know the property that belonged to Mrs. Ruth Pollard Bell and located at 59 Morphy Avenue?

A. Yes

Q. Based on your knowledge of the property in that area, what evaluation would you place on the house?

A. In my opinion, the house would be worth approximately \$2500.00.

Q. How do you arrive at your evaluation?

A. It is a small house which is usually in demand. The location is good except for the small lot and the lot is shady

Q. Have you examined the interior construction of the house lately?

A. No, I am not familiar with the interior construction

Q. Would you know whether the house has termites?

A. No, my evaluation is based on the house being sound but if the house is infested with termites, my evaluation would naturally be lowered to that extent.

Q. In your opinion, could the property be equally divided among the heirs?

A. No

QUESTIONS BY GUARDIAN AD LITEM, E. G. RICKARBY, JR.

Q. Mr. Gooden, how far is this house from the center of town?

A. Five or six blocks

Q. How far from the Bay front?

A. Approximately two and one-half blocks

Q. Is the house in a good neighborhood?

A. Yes, as far as I know

Q. What is the average value of houses in that area?

A. I can't answer that question

Q. Is the neighborhood, in your opinion, over a \$3000.00 location or under a \$3000.00 dwelling house location?

A. I would think that both kinds exist in that neighborhood, but more of over the \$3000.00 neighborhood

NO FURTHER QUESTIONS BY GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of August, 1956.

Myrna Lou Taylor
COMMISSIONER

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL

TESTIMONY OF MR. CARL BLOXHAM

Q. Will you state your name, please?

A. Carl Bloxham

Q. What is your occupation?

A. Real Estate Broker

Q. How long have you been in this business?

A. 31 years

Q. Has your business been in this locality during the 31 years?

A. Yes

Q. Are you familiar with the evaluation of land in the Fairhope area?

A. Yes

Q. Will you state if you are familiar with the property owned by Mrs. Ruth Pollard Bell and located on Morphy Avenue in Fairhope?

A. Yes

Q. Of what does this property consist?

A. It consist of a small dwelling on leasehold land owned by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation.

Q. Are you familiar with the size of the house?

A. As I recall it is either 3 or 4 rooms. It is a small dwelling.

Q. Has the property ever been placed in your hands for sale?

A. Yes

Q. Will you state the condition of the dwelling?

A. Approximately 10 years ago I know that a portion of the house was infested by termites. Mr. Bell told me to have an inspection of the premises for termites about six months ago. I paid an inspector to make an inspection for termites.

Q. What do you consider a fair market value for the property?

A. For the house alone, \$2000.00. If the house was terminated, painted and repaired where needed, then the value would be higher.

Q. In your opinion, could this property be divided equally to be distributed among the heirs of the estate?

A. No

QUESTIONS BY E. G. RICKARBY, JR., GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Q. Mr. Bloxham, do you know of any property comparable with this which has been sold within the last six months?

A. No

Q. How do you arrive at your valuation?

A. Based on my experience of 30 some years and the size and condition of the house.

Q. Do you know of the approximate cost necessary for termiting, painting and construction repair in order to bring the property up to approximately \$3000.00 market value?

A. I had my inspection made for termites only. It would be almost impossible for me to tell how much interior construction would be needed without tearing apart portions of the house.

Q. Do you know anything about the value of the property in the house or of the estate?

A. No

NO FURTHER QUESTIONS BY GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of August, 1956.

Myrna Low Taylor
COMMISSIONER

IN THE ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL

TESTIMONY OF WINSTON LEE BELL: ADMINISTRATOR

Q. Your name is Winston Lee Bell?

A. Yes

Q. You are the duly appointed Administrator of the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell?

A. Yes

Q. What is the relationship of Ruth Pollard Bell to you?

A. She was my mother

Q. Who are the other heirs of Ruth Pollard Bell?

A. Charles Hal Bell, my nephew

Q. What is the age of Charles Hal Bell and his relationship to Ruth Pollard Bell?

A. His age is twelve and he is the grandson of Ruth Pollard Bell

Q. Is the father of Charles Hal Bell living?

A. No

Q. Have more than six months elapsed since Letters of Administration were issued to you?

A. Yes

Q. Do you know of any claims of indebtedness that have been filed against the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell?

A. Yes, one claim has been filed by Dr. C. G. Godard in the amount of \$40.00

Q. Has any money come into your hands from the estate with which to pay the debts of the estate?

A. No

Q. Of what does the estate consist of?

A. A leasehold interest in a piece of property 36 feet wide of lands of the Single Tax Corporation in Fairhope, Alabama, together with a small house located on that property, household furniture, personal effects, a 1950 pick-up truck and that is all.

OVER THE OBJECTION OF THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM THE FOLLOWING QUESTION WAS ASKED

Q. In your opinion, what is the total value you place upon the estate?

A. \$1,618.00

Q. Do you have sufficient funds to pay the debts of the estate?

A. No.

OVER THE OBJECTION OF THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM THE FOLLOWING QUESTION WAS ASKED

Q. In your opinion, can leasehold property of the estate be properly

divided for distribution to the heirs?

A. No

Q. Have you made a reasonable and diligent effort to sell the leasehold property at private sale?

A. Yes

Q. Have you employed the services of real estate agents to sell the property?

A. Yes, but I have never obtained a firm offer from anyone to buy the property?

Q. What is your address?

A. Springhill, Alabama

Q. How far do you live from this property?

A. Approximately 35 miles

Q. Are you prepared to purchase the leasehold property?

A. Yes

Q. In your opinion, would it be in the best interest of the estate for you to purchase the property?

THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM OBJECTED TO THE ABOVE QUESTION ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE ADMINISTRATOR WAS AN INTERESTED PARTY

A. In view of the fact that I have been unable to dispose of the property or settle the estate for a period of approximately two years, it would seem to me to the benefit of the estate.

Q. How much are you Prepared to offer for the purchase of the entire estate?

A. Two Thousand Dollars

QUESTIONS BY THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM, E. G. RICKARBY, JR.

Q. Mr. Bell, were you duly appointed Administrator of the estate by the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama? That is, the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell?

A. Yes

Q. Did you file an inventory in this estate?

A. Yes

Q. Of what does the household furnishings consist?

A. It includes some bedroom furniture, one suite of living room furniture, kitchen furnishings and a sewing machine.

Q. New or old?

A. Old

Q. What type of refrigerator?

A. About a 7 foot, over three years old

Q. Of what do the personal effects consist?

A. Wearing apparel she had at the time of her death and a ring which

she had of a value 30 years ago of not over \$40.00.

Q. You limited the value of \$200.00 for the 1950 Chevrolet truck. Did you arrive at that figure from the Blue Book?

A. No

Q. The real estate involved is that leasehold property of the Single Tax Corporation, with improvements thereon, owned by your mother?

A. Yes, except for a mortgage on the property in the amount of \$243.20 which I paid off. The mortgage was held by Mr. Carl Bloxham

Q. Where is this property located?

A. No. 59, Morphy Avenue, Fairhope

Q. What is the construction?

A. Frame House, six rooms, including the bathroom

Q. Since you have been Administrator, has the property been in use?

A. Yes. My father has been living there and looking after the property until such time as it could be disposed of.

Q. Is he still occupying the property?

A. No. He recently moved from the property

Q. Did your father have any interest in the estate of Ruth Pollard Bell?

A. No. My father and mother were divorced about the year 1945

Q. What was the condition of the furnishings?

A. It was old and practically worthless except for refrigerator and sewing machine.

NO FURTHER QUESTIONS BY GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of August, 1956.

Myrna Lou Taylor
COMMISSIONER

CROSS EXAMINATION BY GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Q. What real estate agents did you have to attempt to dispose of the property?

A. Carl Bloxham Realty and Hazel Council Realtor

Q. Were either of these two able to get \$2000.00 for the property?

A. Mr. Bloxham did not get any offers to buy to my knowledge, and Miss Council did inform me that she had someone looking for a piece of property similar to this who had either \$1500.00 or \$2000.00 to invest. I did not consider the offer and she could not come up with a better offer

Myrna Lou Taylor
COMMISSIONER

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
 COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Whereas on the 19th day of October, 1956, a decree was rendered by the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity, in the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, wherein and whereby it was ordered and decreed that certain real and personal property belonging to the said Estate should be sold at private sale for the payment of debts and to make distribution or division among the heirs of the Estate; and wherein and whereby it was ordered and decreed upon the application of Winston Lee Bell, that he be authorized to purchase the said property and the Court having established that the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars is a reasonable value for the purchase of the property belonging to the Estate; and,

Whereas Winston Lee Bell has been duly and legally appointed by the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, and has duly qualified as such Administrator, and is now acting as such Administrator;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the payment of the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, cash in hand paid to the undersigned Winston Lee Bell, individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned Winston Lee Bell, individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, has this day bargained, sold and by these presents does hereby grant, bargain, sell, convey and assign unto Winston Lee Bell, individually, the following described property, to-wit:

The leasehold interest in and to the West 32 feet of Lot Eight and the East 4 feet of Lot Nine, Block Three, Division Two of the lands of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama as per its plat thereof filed for record September 13, 1911, together with all personal property located therein.

One (1) 1950 Chevrolet Pick-up Truck

to have and to hold the same unto the said Winston Lee Bell, individually, his heirs and assigns, forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Winston Lee Bell, individually and as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, has hereunto set his hand and seal on this the 31st day of November, 1956.

Winston Lee Bell (SEAL)
Winston Lee Bell, individually,
and as Administrator of the
Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased

STATE OF ALABAMA)

BALDWIN COUNTY)

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said State of Alabama at Large, hereby certify that Winston Lee Bell, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this 31st day of October, 1956.

My commission expires July 14, 1958.

Samuel M. Bailey
NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF ALABAMA)

BALDWIN COUNTY)

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for the said State of Alabama at Large, hereby certify that Winston Lee Bell, whose name as Administrator of the Estate of Ruth Pollard Bell, deceased, is signed to the foregoing conveyance and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he, in his capacity as such Administrator executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

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Samuel M. Bailey
NOTARY PUBLIC

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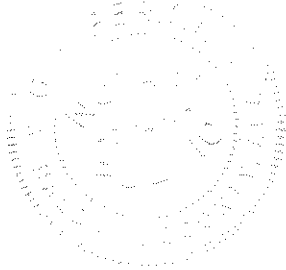
State of Alabama
County of Baldwin

Sworn to and subscribed this 2

day of Jan A.D. 1957, before me.

G. B. Perkins

Notary Public, Baldwin County



ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
deceased

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

PETITION TO REMOVE ADMINISTRATION

To the Honorable Hubert . Hall, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity:

Your Petitioner, Winston Lee Bell, who is over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Mobile County, Alabama, respectfully represents unto the Court and Your Honor as follows:

1.

He has been appointed, qualified and is now acting as administrator of this said estate, the administration of which is now pending in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama

2.

Among the assets of the said estate is a leasehold interest in certain lands of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation in the Town of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, which should be sold at private sale for distribution among the heirs of said estate, because of which the administration of said estate can be better handled in the Equity Court than in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, where it is now pending.

Wherefore, Petitioner prays that the Court will take jurisdiction of this petition and make and enter a proper order or decree removing the administration of the estate from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama to the Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity. Petitioner further prays that such other orders be made and decrees rendered as may be requisite and proper in the premises.

Winston Lee Bell
Petitioner

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Before me, the undersigned authority, within and for said County in said State, personally appeared Winston Lee Bell, who, after being first duly and legally sworn by me, deposes and says: That he has read over the foregoing petition and that the facts stated therein are true.

Charles M. Bailey
Notary Public

ESTATE OF

RUTH POLLARD BELL,
Deceased.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

DECREE REMOVING ADMINISTRATION

This cause coming on to be heard on this date is submitted on the sworn petition of WINSTON LEE BELL, as duly sworn Administrator of the estate of said decedent, to remove the administration of this estate from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama to this Court, from which petition it appears that the said estate can be better handled in the Equity Court than in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama; upon consideration of all of which, it is, therefore, Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court as follows:

1. The administration of this estate shall be and it is hereby removed from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity.

2. The Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama shall transfer the said estate to this Court in the manner provided by law.

ORDERED, ADJUSGED AND DECREED on this the 9 day of May, 1955.

Hubert M. Hall
Judge

ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL, deceased

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

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Winston L. Bell
Petitioner

(STATE OF ALABAMA, COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Before me, the undersigned authority, within and for said County in said State, personally appeared Winston Lee Bell, who, after being first duly and legally sworn by me, deposes and says: That he has read over the foregoing petition and that the facts stated therein are true.

Hubert R. Hall
Notary Public

ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL, X IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
DECEASED X BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
 X IN EQUITY

ANSWER OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM

Now comes E. G. Richardson, Jr. as Guardian ad Litem
for Charles Hal Bell, and for answer to the petition filed by Winston
Lee Bell, denies the allegations of said petition, separately and
severally, and demands strict proof thereof.

E. G. Richardson, Jr.
Guardian ad Litem

ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
Deceased

ANSWER OF GUARDIAN
AD LITEM

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

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ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
DECEASED

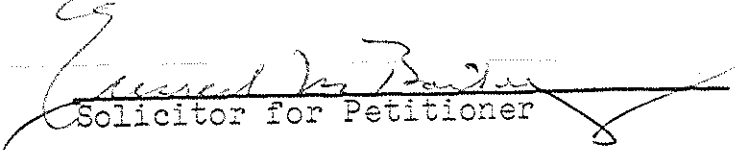
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

REQUEST FOR A COMMISSIONER


TO THE HONORABLE ALICE J. DUCK, REGISTER IN CHANCERY COURT:

Comes the Petitioner, by his Solicitor, in the above styled cause and shows to the Court that the witnesses, Winston Lee Bell, Carl Bloxham and J. E. Gooden are material witnesses and it is necessary that their testimony be taken in said cause, and that Myrna Lou Taylor is a suitable person to act as such Commissioner in said cause not being of counsel or kin to any of the parties in said cause.

THEREFORE, Petitioner moves that Myrna Lou Taylor be appointed as Commissioner to take the testimony of the above mentioned witnesses, as witnesses for the Petitioner in said cause.


Solicitor for Petitioner

Service accepted and consent that Commissioner be appointed.


Guardian ad litem

ESTATE OF RUTH POLLARD BELL,
DECEASED

REQUEST FOR A COMMISSIONER

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

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Curry J. Newkirk,
Register

C. D. ARD

COMPLAINANT

VS

H. M. CARMON, ET AL,

RESPONDENTS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

IN EQUITY

NO. 3523

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON PUBLICATION

In this cause it appearing to the court that the order of publication heretofore made in this cause was published four consecutive weeks commencing on the 12th day of May, 1955, in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama; that a copy of said order was posted at the Court House door in Baldwin County, Alabama, on the 12th day of May, 1955, and it now further appearing to the court that the said H. M. Carmon, F. G. Hassold, J. W. Thomas, W. M. Cannon, Susie Thomas, Henry J. Schroff, Buckman Abstract & Investment Company, Edith Ellen Carson, Edna Helen Heurlin and Marie Anna Kuhn, the unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, personal representatives and assigns of them and each of them, Respondents, have to date hereof failed to plead, answer or demur to this Bill of Complaint.

It is therefore on motion of the Complainant, ordered, and decreed, by the Court, that the said Bill of Complaint be and it is hereby, in all things, taken as confessed against the Respondents named in this cause.

Witness my hand this the 14 day of July, 1955.

W. J. J. J. J. J.
Register

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