## The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

## CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

vs.
LEON M. BISHOP , Respondent
This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on
service by registered mail 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
MARY H. BISHOP is forever divorced from the
saidfor and on account of
ABANDONMENT.
It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the care, custo
and control of the minor children of the parties hereto is hereby
vested in the Complainant and the Respondent shall pay to the
Complainant the sum of One Hundred Dollars per month as and for
the support and maintenance of the said minor children.
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 payment of the cost of this suit.  It is further ordered thatMary H. Bishop
the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issue.
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Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.
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 theday
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MARY H. BISHOP

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My name is Nadine N. Pizzotti. I am over he age of twenty-one years and am a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

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This day of February , 1956

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My name is Mary H. Bishop. I am the Complainant in the above cause. I am a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama and have been for more than one year next preceding the filing of this cause. I am over the age of twenty-one years and the Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years. To my knowledge his last known residency was 1625 East 117th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Respondent and I were married at Pascagoula, Mississippi on the 7th day of July, 1942, and lived together as man and wife until the 4th day of January, 1955. At that time the Respondent voluntarily abandoned my bed and board and has remained away voluntarily and continuously since that time.

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My name is Nadine N. Pizzotti. I am over the age of twenty-one years and am a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

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### <u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

Before me, Ernest M. Bailey, Notary Public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, personally appeared Mary H. Bishop, who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That she is the Complainant in that certain action pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, wherein Mary H. Bishop is the Complainant and Leon M. Bishop is the Respondent; that the last known residency of the said Respondent, Leon M. Bishop, was, to the best of her knowledge and belief, 1625 East 117th Street, Cleveland, Ohio; that the residency of the Respondent, Leon M. Bishop, is otherwise unknown to her and cannot be ascertained by reasonable effort; that the Respondent, Leon M. Bishop, is over the age of twenty-one years.

Mary H. Bishop

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 6th day of January, 1956

Notary Public

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MARY H. BISHOP, Complainant

VS

LEON M. BISHOP, Respondent

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA

You are hereby commanded to summon Leon M. Bishop to appear and plead, answer or demur, within thirty days from the service hereof, to the Bill of Complaint filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity, by Mary H. Bishop, as Complainant, against Leon M. Bishop, as Respondent.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_ day of January, 1956.

Register

MARY H. BISHOP,

Complainant

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

Vs.

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

LEON M. BISHOP,

Respondent

Comes your Complainant, Mary H. Bishop, and files this her
Bill of Complaint for divorce against Leon M. Bishop, and shows unto
Your Honor and unto this Honorable Court as follows:

#### FIRST:

That your Complainant and the Respondent are over the age of twenty-one years, and that your Complainant is a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama for more than one year next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint, and that the Respondent's last known residency to the best of her knowledge and belief was 1625 East 117th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and the Respondent's residency is otherwise unknown to her and cannot be ascertained by reasonable effort.

#### SECOND:

That the Complainant and the Respondent were married on the 7th day of July, 1942 at Pascagoula, Mississippi, and lived together as man and wife until on, to-wit, the 4th day of January, 1955, when on account of matters hereinafter complained of, your Complainant lived separate and apart from the Respondent. Complainant further

avers that said Respondent voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of Complainant for more than one year next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint, since which time Complainant and Respondent have not lived together nor in any way recognized each other as husband and wife.

#### THIRD:

That there were born of this marriage between your Complainant and the Respondent the following named children, viz: Elizabeth Pauline Bishop, age four years and Janice Kay Bishop, age two and one-half years. That your Complainant if a fit and proper person to have the care, custody and control of such children. That your Complainant has no money or property with which to properly support and educate such minor children and that the Respondent is able to pay your Complainant such sufficient amounts to properly support and educate such children.

#### PRAYER FOR PROCESS AND RELIEF:

The premises considered, your Complainant prays that the above named Leon M. Bishop be made a party Defendant to this cause by the usual writ or process of this Honorable Court requiring him to appear and plead, answer or demur within the time and under the penalties prescribed by the rules of the Court and the Statutes in such cases made and provided; that upon a final hearing of this cause that Your Honor will award your Complainant custody and control of her minor children herein named and will order and decree that said Respondent shall pay your Complainant the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) a month as support for such children; that Your Honor will also grant unto your Complainant an absolute divorce from said Respondent and will decree that the parties be allowed to remarry if they see fit. Should your Complainant be mistaken in the relief prayed for, that there be granted to her such other, further and different relief to which she may be entitled and as in duty bound she will ever pray.

Solicitor for Complainant