The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

MILDRED STYRON HIGGINS , Complainant
vs.
WAYMAN HIGGINS, Respondent
This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso
sideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for said bill.
It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretoforexisting between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby dissolved, and that the same MILDRED STYBON HIGGING
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It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Complainant
be and she is hereby permitted to resume the name Mildred Styron.
It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except one each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty as an another 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 gain contract marriage upon payment of the cost of this suit.
It is further ordered that Mildred Styron Higgins
This 12 day of August 1956 Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.
I,, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original decree, rendered by the Judge of the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said decree is on file and enrolled in my office.
Witness my hand and seal this theday
ofAUGUST, 1956
Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

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Complainant

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ALICE L. DUCK, Register

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

Your complainant MILDRED STYRON HIGGINS respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor:

- 1. That the complainant is over the age of twentyone years and is a resident of Taldwin County, Alabama, and
 has been a bona fide resident of said County and tate for more
 than one year precedeing the filing of this bill of complaint;
 that WAYMAN HIGGINS, the respondent, is over the age of twentyone years and whose residence and address is unknown to your
 complainant and cannot be ascertained after reasonable effort.
- 2. That your complairant and respondent were lawfully married on or about, to-wit: February 27, 1956 at Pascagoula Mississippi, and that the complainant is now pregnant as a result of this union.
- 3. Your complainant avers and charges that the said respondent did on or about to-wit: the 14th day of April, 1956 assault, heat, hit and strike the complainant; that the respondent has committed actual triolence or her person attended with danger to her health and life.
- 3. Your complainant further avers and alleges that the said respondent has, since her said marriage to the respondent become addicted to habitual drunkness, and that said habit has continued up until the time the complainant last saw the respondent.

The premises considered, your complainant makes the said Wayman Higgins a party respondent to this bill of complaint and in order that complainant may have the relief herein prayed for, may it please your Honors to cause the State's writ of subpoena to be issued, directed to the said Wayman Higgins, commanding him to plead, answer or demur within the time allowed by law: and that on a final hearing of this cause that Your Honor will enter a decree divorcing your complainant form the said respondent and granting the complainant the right to resume the name Mildred Styron, and that Your Honor will grant such other, further or different relief as unto your Honor may seem just and proper.

RESPONDENTS ADDRESS:

Unknown.

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Comes the complainant in the above styled cause and shows unto the register that an order of publication was made on the 18th day of June, 1956, which was duly published in the Onlooker a newspaper published in Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the 21 st day of June, 1956 and which was directed to Wayman Higgins, respondent in said cause which required the said respondent to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in the cause by the 21 day of July, 1956, which the said respondent has to this date failed to do, wherefore the complainant moves t moves the Court to grant a decree pro confesso against the said respondent.

This the 21 st day of August, 1956.

Mhur C. Chelson
Solicitor for/the Complainant

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The State of Alabama I, Virginia Hillouse As Register and Commissioner hereby certificate that the foregoing depositions on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the word of the witness. S. and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of mysel Virginia Hillhouse at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness. S. or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness. S. or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness. S. or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness. S. or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness. I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court. Given under my hand and seal, this 22. day of ANGUST. NATHAMAN HIGGINS Register and Commissioner hereby certification with the world of the witness of mysel with the world of the world of mysel with the same in the presence of mysel virginia Hillhouse In Circuit Court, In Equity Register of said Court. County In Circuit Court, In Equity Register and Commissioner hereby certification with the world of the w		and the second of the second o
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It appears to the Court that the order of publication directed to Wayman Higgins heretofore made in this cause was published four consecutive weeks, commencing June 21, 1956, in the Onlooker, a newspaper of general circulation, published in Baldwin County, Alabama; that a copy of said order was posted at the Court House door in the County of Baldwin on the 18th day of June, 1956. And it now appearing further to the Court, that the said Wayman Higgins has to date failed to plead, answer ofr demur to the bill of complaint in this cause; it is therefore, on motion of complainant, ordered and decreed by the Court, that h the said bill of complaint be and hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said Wayman Higgins.

Done this 21st day of August, 1956.

Judge of theCircuit Court

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Your complainant MILDRED STYRON HIGGINS respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor:

- l. That the complainant is over the age of twentyone years and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and
 has been a bona fide resident of said County and tate for more
 than one year precedeing the filing of this bill of complaint;
 that WAYMAN HIGGINS, the respondent, is over the age of twentyone years and whose residence and address is unknown to your
 complainant and cannot be ascertained after reasonable effort.
- 2. That your complainant and respondent were lawfully married on or about, to-wit: February 27, 1956 at Pascagoula Mississippi, and that the complainant is now pregnant as a result of this union.
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The premises considered, your complainant makes the said Wayman Higgins a party respondent to this bill of complains and in order that complainant may have the relief herein prayed for, may it please your Honors to cause the State's writ of subpoena to be issued, directed to the said Wayman Higgins, commanding him to plead, answer or demur within the time allowed by law; and that on a final hearing of this cause that Your Honor will enter a decree divorcing your complainant form the said respondent and granting the complainant the right to resume the name Mildred Styron, and that Your Honor will grant such other, further or different relief as unto your Honor may seem just and proper.

SOLICITOR FOR GOMPLAINANT

RESPONDENTS ADDRESS:

Unknown.

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DEMAND FOR ORAL EXAMINATION MILDRED STYRON HIGGINS Complainant WAYMAN HIGGINS Respondent IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY Filed this _____day of _____ 194____

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In this cause it appearing to the Register from the affidavit of Arthur C. Epperson, Solicitor of Record for the Complainant, that the Respondent's address and residence is unknown and that the respondent conceals himself so that process cannot be served and further that in the belief of the affiant the respondent is over the age of twenty-one years, it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made once a week for four consecutive weeks, in the Onlooker, a newspaper published in Paliwin County, Alabama, requiring the said Wayman Figgins to plead, answer of demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 21st day of July, 1956, or, in default thereof, thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against said respondent.

Done at Office this the 18th day of June, 1956.

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Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority, Arthur C. Epperson, Solicitor of Record for the complainant in the above entitled cause, who being duly sworn deposes and says that he is informed and verily believes that Wayman Higgins, the Respondent in the above entitled cause is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and whose address is unknown or if a resident of Alabama, conceals himself so that process cannot be served, and that respondent in the belief of the affiant is over the age of twenty-one years.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the $\underline{\cancel{19}}$ day of June, 1956.

ALICE J. WUCK, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COUNTY

ARTHUR C. EPPERSON

ATTORNEY AT LAW
POPPE BUILDING
FOLEY, ALABAMA

June 16th, 1956

Dear Mrs. Duck:

I would appreciate it very much if you could make the notice in this case and have it to the Onlooker by Wednesday morning at the latest for publication. T have the dates set which makes it necessary to begin in the paper this week.

T will not be in Court Tuesday as I will be at Keesler Feild, Miss. on reserve active duty training with the Air Force. Thanks very mcch.

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