The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

, Complainant
vs.
BILLY RAY NORTHCUTT, Respondent
This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso
answer and waiver and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon co
for 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 heretofo
complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby dissolved, and that the sa
Betty Jean Northcutt
said Billy Ray Northcutt
Cruelty - Further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Complainant be and she is hereby awarded the permanent care, custody and control of the minor children which will be born from the union of said parties. It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Complainant be and she in the further ordered, ad-
judged and decreed that the Complainant be and she is hereby granted the right
to resume her maiden name of Betty Jean Davenport, which she shall henceforth be known by.
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 ays, 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 gain contract marriage upon payment of the cost of this suit. It is further ordered that
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 of
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ANSWER AND WAIVER

Comes now the Respondent, Billy Ray Northcutt, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint heretofore filed against him in said cause says as follows:

(1) That he denies each and every allegation of the said Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

And for further answer to said Bill of Complaint the Respondent hereby accepts service of a copy and notice of the filing of the said Complaint and hereby waives any further notice to her of the day set for hearing, the taking of testimony or the submission for final decree of the above styled cause and does here consent that the same may be submitted and testimony taken without further notice to him.

Billy Ray Northcutt

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _// day of January, 1957.

Setta N. Swaltney.
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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Vs.

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To the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Sitting in Equity:

Comes now the Complainant, Betty Jean Northcutt, humbly complaining of the Respondent, Billy Ray Northcutt, in a matter of divorce, and represents and shows unto your Honor as follows:

FIRST: That Complainant, Betty Jean Northcutt, is over the age of eighteen years and is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been a bona fide resident of said State for more than two years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; that the Respondent is over twenty-one years old and is now living in Loxley, Alabama.

SECOND: That your Complainant and Respondent were married on September 29th, 1956, at Robertsdale, Alabama.

THIRD: That your Complainant avers and charges that the Respondent has made numerous threats of doing her physical harm and from his manner and conduct toward her, she is reasonably convinced that he will commit an actual violence upon her person, attended with danger to her life and health; the last of such threats did occur on October 15, 1956, and as a result of said threats, Complainant and Respondent have not lived together since that time as husband and wife.

FOURTH: Your Complainant would further aver and show unto your Honor that the Complainant is now pregnant as a result of said marriage. That she expects the child to be born the latter part of May, 1957; and that your Complainant is a fit and proper person to be awarded the permanant care, custody and control of this expected child.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Wherefore the premises considered the Complainant prays that the said Billy Ray Northcutt, be made party Respondent to this her Bill of Complaint and that a summons be issued and served upon him as required by law and the rules of this Honorable Court, and that he be required to plead, answer or demur to the within Bill of Complaint within the time and under the penalties prescribed by law and the rules of this Honorable Court.

PRAYER FOR FINAL RELIEF

The premises considered, the Complainant prays that on a final hearing of this cause Your Honor will make and enter a decree forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Respondent, and will grant to the Complainant a full and absolute divorce from the Respondent, and that in and by virtue of the said decree the Complainant will be granted the right to again contract marriage; that the Complainant be granted the permanent care, custody and control of the child expected to be born from the union of said parties; that the Complainant be granted the right to resume her maiden name.

Complainant prays all other further or general relief to which she may be entitled, the premises considered and she will ever pray, etc.

Attorney for Complainant.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama (In Equity)

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