

DIVORCE DECREE

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Shirley Jordan

Complainant

vs.

Sherman Jordan

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 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 Shirley Jordan is forever divorced from the said Sherman Jordan for and on account of

Cruelty. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, by the Court, that the Respondent be and he is hereby awarded the care, custody and control of the minor child, Terry Sherman Jordan, with the right of the Complainant to visit the child at reasonable times.

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 that Sherman Jordan the Respondent pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issue.

This 25 day of February 1957

Robert M Hall

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 the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

In Circuit Court, In Equity

Shirley Jordan

Complainant

vs.

Sherman Jordan

Respondent

**DIVORCE DECREE**

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ALICE L. DICK, Register

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
(In Equity)

Shirley Jordan Complainant

VS.

Sherman Jordan Respondent

I, Evelyn Watts

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Shirley Jordan and Myrl Jordan

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 25 day of February 1957, at the office of Harry J. Wilters Jr. in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness<sup>es</sup> to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Shirley Jordan and Myrl Jordan doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Shirley Jordan. I am the Complainant in this case against Sherman Jordan. On February 21, 1957, Sherman threatened me and cursed me and abused me and threatenen to do violence to my person which if he did carry out would endanger my life and health. His conduct toward me gave me every reasonable apprehension to fear that he would do actual harm which would endanger my life and health, and I did believe he would carry out his threats and I further believe that if I continued to live with him some harm would come to me. The Respondent and I have entered into an agreement whereby I have given him the care, control and custody of our minor child, Terry Sherman Jordan. I do not feel that under the circumstances that I can properly care for this child and I believe that he can do a better job than I could be able to, which is the important thing to both the Respondent and I. The Respondent and I were married on the 9th day of May, 1953, at Lucedale, Mississippi, and we are residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, and have been all of our married life. The Respondent has cursed, threatened and abused me many times prior to February 21, 1957.

*Shirley Jordan*

My name is Myrl Jordan. I am the brother of the Respondent. I have known the Complainant and Respondent all their married life and I know that they have had a considerable amount of trouble and that they can't get along at all. They always have fusses and fights and I think it is to the best interest of both of the parties and the minor child that they separate.

*Myrl E Jordan*

**ORAL EXAMINATION.**

I, Evelyn Watts, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness es and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself and Harry J. Wilton Jr.

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness es or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness es; that I am not of counsel or of kin to any of the parties to said cause, or any manner interested in the result thereof

I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court.

Given under my hand and seal, this 25 day of February, 194 57.

Evelyn Watts (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Shirley Jordan

vs. Complainant

Sherman Jordan

Respondent.

**Oral Deposition**

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**Alex I. Wick, Register.**

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

Circuit Court

TO: Evelyn Watts

KNOW YE: That we, having full faith in your prudence and competency, have appointed you Commissioner, and by these presents do authorize you, as such time and place as you may appoint, to call before you and examine Shirley Jordan and Myrl Jordan

a witnesses in behalf of Complainant in a cause pending in our Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Shirley Jordan is

Complainant

and Sherman Jordan

Respondent

on oath, to be by you administered, upon Shirley Jordan and Myrl Jordan to take and certify the deposition of the witness and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 25 day of February, 1957

Register.

Commissioner's Fee, \$

Witness' Fees, \$

No. 3978

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

Shirley Jordan

Complainant

VS.

Uphman Jordan

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

Evelyn Little

WITNESSES:

Shirley Jordan

Myrl Jordan

*[Faint, mostly illegible text, likely a deposition transcript or legal notes.]*

Commissioner of the Circuit Court  
Baldwin County, Alabama

*[Faint text, possibly a signature or date.]*

SHIRLEY JORDAN  
 COMPLAINANT  
 VS  
 SHERMAN JORDAN  
 RESPONDENT

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

Now comes the Respondent, in his own proper person, and admits the allegations contained in the bill of complaint filed in the above styled cause as to ages, residences, marriage and children, but denies all other allegations therein contained and demands strict proof of the same.

The Respondent waives notice of the time of taking of testimony on behalf of the Complainant; the right to cross examine Complainant's witnesses; and agrees that this cause be submitted for final decree without further notice.

*Sherman Jordan*

STATE OF ALABAMA  
 BALDWIN COUNTY

I, *Evelyn Watts*, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Sherman Jordan, whose name is signed to the foregoing instrument, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said instrument, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 25 day of February, 1957.

*Evelyn Watts*  
 Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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SHIRLEY JORDAN

COMPLAINANT

VS

SHERMAN JORDAN

RESPONDENT

ANSWER AND WAIVER

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MADE L. BUCK, Registrar



Shirley Jordan

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vs.

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Amyl Jordan

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
 Baldwin County  
 IN EQUITY  
 Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complainant upon the original Bill of Complaint, \_\_\_\_\_  
 agreement between complainant and respondent, answer and waiver and  
 testimony of Shirley Jordan and Amyl Jordan.

and in behalf of Defendant upon \_\_\_\_\_

Walters & Brantley  
 by Gary J. Walters

*W. J. Duck*  
 Register.

No. 3978

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County

IN EQUITY  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

Shirley Jordan

vs.

Sherman Jordan

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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W. I. DICK, Register.

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon SHERMAN JORDAN 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 SHIRLEY JORDAN, AS Complainant and against Sherman Jordan, as Respondent. Witness my hand this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 1957.

Register

SHIRLEY JORDAN  
COMPLAINANT  
VS  
SHERMAN JORDAN  
RESPONDENT

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

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

Your Complainant Shirley Jordan, respectfully represents unto Your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant is seventeen years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama; that the Respondent is over twenty-one years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

2.

That your Complainant and the Respondent married at Lucedale, Mississippi, on May 9, 1953, and lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, until on to-wit, February 21, 1957.

3.

That on to-wit, February 21, 1957, and on various occasions prior thereto the Respondent cursed, threatened and abused your Complainant and threatened to do actual violence to her person, which would necessarily endanger her life and health; that the conduct of the Respondent was such as to give your Complainant every reasonable apprehension to believe and she did actually believe that if she continued to live with the Respondent he would do actual violence to her person, which would necessarily endanger her life and health.

4.

That there was born to our union one child, Terry Sherman Jordan, now 17 months old; That the Complainant and Respondent entered into a written agreement as to the custody, control and support of the minor child. This agreement is attache hereto and marked Exhibit "A" and made a part of this complaint as if herein fully set out.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, the Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process make the said Sherman Jordan, party respondent to this cuase of action, requiring him to plead, answer or demur to the same within the time and under the penalties prescribed by law and the practice of this Honorable Court.

Your Complainant prays that upon a hearing hereof, Your Honor will enter an order and decree granting to her an absolute decree of divorce, forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between her and the Respondent; Your Complainant further prays that your Honor will award the care, custody and control of the minor child, Terry Sherman Jordan, to your Respondent, in accordance with the agreement attached hereto; Your Complainant prays for such other, further, different or general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive.

Wilters & Brantley

BY:

*Harry J. Wilters, Jr.*  
Solicitor for the Complainant

SHERLEY JORDON  
COMPLAINANT  
VS  
SHERMAN JORDAN  
RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
IN EQUITY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That whereas the Complainant and Respondent were married at Lucedale, Mississippi, on May 9, 1953, and

WHEREAS the parties have one child, TERRY SHERMAN JORDAN, now 17 months of age; and

WHEREAS the parties have decided and concluded that it is impossible for them to any longer live together as husband and wife; and

WHEREAS on the 21st day of February, 1957, they separated and have since that time lived separate and apart; and

WHEREAS the parties have reached a full and complete agreement as to the custody, maintenance and support of the minor child, Terry Sherman Jordan.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby separately agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. That the Respondent, Sherman Jordan, shall have the custody, care and control of the minor child, Terry Sherman Jordan.
2. The Complainant shall have the right to visit with the said child at reasonable periods of time.
3. That the Complainant well understands the conditions of this agreement and makes them because she herself is unable to care for the child properly and she believes that the Respondent will.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals, in duplicate, this 25th day of February, 1957.

Shirley Jordan (SEAL)  
Sherman Jordan (SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

I, Evelyn Watts, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Shirley Jordan and Sherman Jordan, whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the instrument, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand and seal on this the 25 day of February, 1957.

Evelyn Watts  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

no. 3978

SHIRLEY JORDAN

COMPLAINANT

VS

SHERMAN JORDAN

RESPONDENT

BILL OF COMPLAINT AND

AGREEMENT

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SHIRLEY JORDAN,  
Complainant,  
VS.  
SHERMAN JORDON,  
Respondent.

) ALICE J. DUCK CLERK  
) REGISTER  
) IN THE  
) CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,  
) ALABAMA. IN EQUITY  
) NO. 3978  
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LUTHER THOMAS JORDAN, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

Examination by Mr. Cooper.

Q. State your name?

A. Luther Thomas Jordan.

Q. Where do you live?

A. I live in Rosinton community, or Elsanor.

Q. In Baldwin County, Alabama?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. This is your wife?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you been living there?

A. I have been living in Baldwin County ever since 1940.

Q. Now did you know Shirley Jordan and Sherman Jordan?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was Shirley Jordan?

A. Mr. Amos Nelson's daughter.

Q. Was she married to Sherman Jordan?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Was Sherman Jordan your brother?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now was your brother, Sherman Jordan and Shirley Jordan divorced by the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, on the 25th day of February, 1957?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now under the terms of that decree -- First, how many children did they have?

A. One son.

Q. This is the boy on your right?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is his name?

A. Terry Sherman Jordan.

Q. How old is he now?

A. 12.

Q. Now under the terms of the divorce between Shirley and Sherman Jordan, was your brother Sherman given the permanent care, custody and control of this young man?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now was the mother of this young child, Shirley, given the right of reasonable visitation to the boy?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Since the divorce decree in 1957 how many times has Shirley Jordan visited this young man?

A. One time.

Q. About how<sup>long</sup> ago was that?

A. About six years ago.

Q. How long was that visitation?

A. About six months after the divorce.

Q. Do you know where this boy's mother is today?

A. No sir.

Q. You all have made an effort to find her and could not?

A. That is right.

Q. After your brother was divorced from Shirley, did he remarry?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What was his wife's name?

A. Emma Mae Austin; he married her --

Q. Did they have any children?

A/ No sir.

Q. Is your brother, Sherman, living today?



A. No sir.

Q. When did he die?

A. January 18th.

Q. Did he die leaving a will or no will?

A. No will.

Q. Was Terry Sherman Jordan the only child he had at the time of his death?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Since the death of your brother on the 18th day of January, where has this young man been living?

A. With me.

Q. At the time this petition was filed in this case in January, I believe it was, was your brother's last wife living with you in your home?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now where is this boy's step-mother today?

A. The last time we knowed anything about her she went back to Mobile.

Q. How long ago has that been?

A. About three weeks ago.

Q. Did she express any desire to take care of this young boy?

A. No sir.

Q. Did she make any statement to you as to what to do about the boy?

A. She said the child would have to make out the best he could.

Q. That she wasn't interested in him any more?

A. She wasn't interested in him and didn't want nothing to do with him.

Q. Did your brother have a life insurance policy when he died?

A. Yes sir, with Brown Service.

Q. Did he have insurance that he left to his wife?

A. Yes sir, \$2,000.00 insurance - cash insurance, and

Brown Service and Traveler's Insurance Company in Mobile had a family group policy that paid all of the hospital bills and was to leave \$4,000.00 in cash.

Q. Did any of the cash money that was left from the insurance company go to this young boy?

A. No sir, not a dime.

Q. Have you been taking care of the boy since your brother's death?

A. Yes sir and I've been sending him to school.

Q. What kind of work do you do?

A. I work for Woodhave Dairy, Robertsdale.

Q. In what capacity?

A. I pick up milk?

A. Where?

A. From Little River to Cantonment Florida and Walnut Hill Florida and take it back to the plant.

Q. How long have you been employed by Woodhaven?

A. A little over a year.

Q. What is your average take-home pay?

A. Every two weeks \$176.00.

Q. Do you feel that you are able to financially and morally and otherwise give this boy a permanent home?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now, Mr. Jordan, this young man, you say, is 12 years old - - during his life time has he spent considerable time with you before this last year - this last January 18th?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What has been the occasion for you having this boy live with you prior to this past January?

A. My brother taken sick with sugar diabetes and part of the time he wasn't able to maintain and work himself and I worked and taken care of this child.

Q. This child has lived with you off and on all of his life?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Now just before your brother's death, did he make a statement to you about the child?

THE COURT: He could not testify as to what he said.

MRS. BOBBY NELL JORDAN, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS  
FOLLOWS:

Examination by Mr. Cooper.

Q. State your full name?

A. Bobby Nell Jordan.

Q. You are the wife of this man here?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You know this boy here?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you and your husband prepared to take this boy and rear  
him like you do your own children?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Has he been living with you since this past January?

A. Yes sir.

EXAMINATION BY THE COURT:

Q. Do you think it would be to the best interest of this boy  
to be put in the care, custody and control of you and your  
husband?

A. Yes sir.

TERRY SHERMAN JORDAN, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS  
FOLLOWS:

Examination by Mr. Cooper.

Q. State your full name to the Court?

A. Terry Sherman Jordan.

Q. Terry, you are 12 years old?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What grade are you in?

A. Sixth.

Q. And Mr. Sherman Jordan was your father?

A. Yes sir.

Q. And he is dead?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Since his death last January have you been living with your  
uncle here?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is it your desire and your wish to continue to live with your uncle and his wife?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you go to school?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where?

A. Rosinton.

MR. JORDAN, BEING RECALLED FOR FURTHER EXAMINATION

Examination by Mr. Cooper.

Q. Mr. Jordan, the day you filed this petition in January or February of this year, did you go and apply for Social Security benefits for this young boy?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you heard from them yet?

A. No sir, the lady told me it would be six to eight weeks before I would know.

Q. He is going to draw social security?

A. Yes sir.

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C E R T I F I C A T E:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the testimony taken in open Court on this day in the captioned case.

This the 19th day of March, 1968.

Louise Dussel  
Court Reporter

SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
CASE NO. 3978  
\_\_\_\_\_ TERM, 1968

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA, GREETINGS:

You are hereby commanded to summon Terry Sherman Jordan to appear and plead, answer or demur, within thirty days from the service hereof, to the complaint filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, State of Alabama, at Bay Minette, against Terry Sherman Jordan, Defendant, by Luther Thomas Jordan and Bobbie Nell Jordan, Plaintiffs.

WITNESS my hand this 23 day of Feb, 1968.

Alice L. Smith, REGISTER.

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SHIRLEY JORDAN,	X	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
Complainant,	X	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
Vs.	X	IN EQUITY
SHERMAN JORDAN,	X	CASE NO. 3978
Respondent.	X	

PETITION FOR CUSTODY

TO HONORABLE TELFAIR J. MASHBURN, JUDGE OF SAID COURT, IN EQUITY SITTING:

Come now your Petitioners, Luther Thomas Jordan and Bobbie Nell Jordan, by and thru their Attorney, Kenneth Cooper, Esquire, and make known unto Your Honor as follows, to-wit:

1. That by the terms of a decree of divorce issued by this Honorable Court on 25 February, 1957, in this cause, it forever divorced Shirley Jordan from Sherman Jordan, and in said Decree the permanent care, custody and control of Terry Sherman Jordan was awarded to Sherman Jordan, Respondent, his father, with right of reasonable visitation to be accorded to his mother, the said Shirley Jordan, this being the only child born to the said marriage; and since the said Decree was issued, the said Shirley Jordan has visited the said child only once, for about one-half an hour approximately six years ago.

2. That the whereabouts of the said Shirley Jordan is unknown.

3. That on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1965, the aforesaid Sherman Jordan married Emma Mae Austin; they had no children by their said marriage; and the said Emma Mae Austin Jordan is now residing with your Petitioners.

4. That the said Sherman Jordan died intestate on the 18 day of January, 1968, leaving the aforesaid Terry Sherman Jordan with his step-mother.

5. That your Petitioners, Luther Thomas Jordan, is the brother of the deceased Sherman Jordan, and he, his wife and family reside in the Rosinton Community, Northeast of Robertsdale, Alabama; and the said Terry Sherman Jordan and Emma Mae Austin Jordan have both been residing with your Petitioners since the death of Sherman Jordan, the said child now attending the Rosinton School.

6. Your Petitioners make known that they have a home, and sufficient room, to care for the aforementioned child.

7. Petitioners make known unto this Honorable Court that the best interest, welfare and maintenance of the said child would be served if its permanent care, custody and control was awarded to your Petitioners.

8. That the said child has on numerous occasions requested that henceforth he be permitted to live and be reared with your Petitioners; and this request is concurred in by his stepmother, Emma Mae Austin Jordan; the said child will soon be drawing Social Security benefits.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Petitioners make the said Terry Sherman Jordan a party respondent to this bill of complaint, and in order that your Petitioners may have the relief herein prayed form may it please Your Honor to cause the State's

writ of subpoena to be issued, directed to the said Terry Sherman Jordan, commanding him to plead, answer or demur to this bill of complaint within the time allowed by law.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Petitioners further pray, that upon a final hearing in this cause, Your Honor will:

A. Grant the permanent care, custody and control of Terry Sherman Jordan to your Petitioners, Luther Thomas Jordan and Bobbie Nell Jordan, his wife, and accord to its mother and step-mother the right to reasonable visitation.

B. Assess the costs of this proceeding to your Petitioners. And if your Petitioners be mistaken in the relief prayed for, then they request such other relief, both general and special, as in equity they may be entitled to.

*Kenneth Cooper*  
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONERS

ORDER

The foregoing PETITION FOR CUSTODY having been presented to me, and the same being understood, it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the bill of complaint in this cause be and the same is set down for hearing at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 14, 1968.

*Justin A. Madson*  
CIRCUIT JUDGE

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ALICE J. DUCK CLERK REGISTER

CASE NO. 3978

SHIRLEY JORDAN,  
COMPLAINANT,

VS.

SHERMAN JORDAN,  
RESPONDENT.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
IN EQUITY

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONERS:  
KENNETH COOPER

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*Kenneth Cooper*

*Minor Terry Sherman Jordan*  
DEFENDANT'S ADDRESS  
*Living With Father Thomas Jordan*  
Rosinton Community  
Robertsdale, Alabama  
*Near Sherman Hinder's Home*

delivered 23 day of Feb. 1968  
to 1 day of March 1968  
and a copy of the within D & C  
Terry Sherman Jordan

TAYLOR WILKINS, Sheriff  
By Robert L. ...  
Registrar

Sheriff claims 52 miles at  
Ten Cents per mile Total \$ 5.20  
TAYLOR WILKINS, Sheriff  
BY Carlisle Childers  
DEPUTY SHERIFF



SHIRLEY JORDAN,  
Complainant,  
Vs.  
SHERMAN JORDAN,  
Respondent.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
IN EQUITY  
CASE NO. 3978

DECREE

This cause coming on to be heard, was submitted upon the PETITION FOR CUSTODY, and oral testimony by the Petitioners, Luther Thomas Jordan and Bobbie Nell Jordan, and Terry Sherman Jordan, which said testimony was taken by the Court Reporter, all of the said parties being in Court and represented by their Counsel, Kenneth Cooper, Esquire. Upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Petitioners are entitled to the relief prayed for in the said bill. It is therefore

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED by the Court that the permanent care, custody and control of Terry Sherman Jordan, age twelve years, shall be awarded to his uncle and aunt, to-wit, Luther Thomas Jordan and Bobbie Nell Jordan, and it is further

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Petitioners herein shall pay the costs of this proceeding, for which let execution issue.

DONE this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1968.

*J. Hair J. Maskeburn*  
CIRCUIT JUDGE

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**ALICE J. DUCK** CLERK  
REGISTER