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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

ALMA WEBB SAWYER, Complainant

vs.

BUFORD E. SAWYER, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, 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 Alma Webb Sawyer is forever divorced from the said Buford E. Sawyer for and on account of Cruelty.

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 Buford E. Sawyer the Respondent pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issue.

This 19th day of March 1957

H. H. Hester, 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

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ALMA WEBB SAWYER

Complainant

vs.

BURD E. SAWYER

Respondent

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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, _____
Testimony of Alma Webb Sawyer and J. L. Barks

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver.

Alma Webb Sawyer

J. L. Barks
Register.

No.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

IN EQUITY
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ALMA WEBB SAWYER

vs.

BIFORD E. SAWYER

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

Circuit Court

TO: LOIS WILSON

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 Alma Webb Sawyer and J. L. Barks

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

_____ , Complainant
and Burford E. Sawyer

_____ Respondent

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

Witness 18 day of March, 1957

Beise J. Burch
Register.

Commissioner's Fee, \$ _____

Witness' Fees, \$ _____

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

ALMA WEBB SAWYER

Complainant

VS.

BUFORD E. SAWYER

Respondent

I, Lois Wilson

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Alma Webb Sawyer and J. L. Barks

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 18th day of March 1957, at the office of C. LeNoir Thompson

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Alma Webb Sawyer and J. L. Barks doth depose and say as follows:

That my name is Alma Webb Sawyer, I am over the age of 21 and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama and have been more than two years next preceding. The Respondent, Buford E. Sawyer, is over the age of 21 and has been a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama more than two years next preceding. We were married in Pascagoula, Mississippi on April 2, 1955 and lived together until on or about March 8, 1957 at which time we separated. The cause being that from time to time since we were married he would drink to an excess and when in that condition would do things that he would not normally do. When I argue with him about his drinking he would become violent and on the occasion of our separation he became upset and threatened and abused me so that I became in fear of my life or health and knew I could never live with him any more as his wife because of what he did. We have no children as fruits of this marriage and a property settlement has been effected.

Alma Webb Sawyer

That my name is J. L. Barks, I know both parties to this cause. They are both over the age of 21 and have been residents of Baldwin County, Alabama more than two years next preceding. They were married in Pascagoula, Mississippi on April 2, 1955 and lived together as husband and wife until on or about March 8, 1957, at which time the Respondent who on occasions since the marriage would drink heavily came in in that condition and abused and mistreated the Complainant Alma Webb Sawyer. Because of his violent actions and what he ~~did~~ did she became in fear of her life or health and has not lived with him as husband and wife since that occasion. They have no children as fruits of that marriage and they have made a property settlement between them.

J. L. Barks

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Lois Wilson, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition^s 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 C. LeNoir Thompson

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 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 18th day of March, 1957

Lois Wilson (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

ALMA WEBB SAWYER

vs. Complainant

BURFORD E. SAWYER

Respondent.

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ALMA WEBB SAWYER

STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summons BUFORD E. SAWYER, 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 ALMA WEBB SAWYER, as Complainant and against BUFORD E. SAWYER, as Respondent.

WITNESS my hand this the _____ day of March, 1957.

Register.

ALMA WEBB SAWYER
COMPLAINANT
VS
BUFORD E. SAWYER
RESPONDENT

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

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

Your Complainant, Alma Webb Sawyer, respectfully represents unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant is over the age of 21 and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama and have been more than two years next preceding; the Respondent is over the age of 21 and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama and have been more than two years next preceding.

2.

That your Complainant and the Respondent married Pascagoula, Mississippi on April 2, 1955 and lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama until on to-wit March 8, 1957.

3.

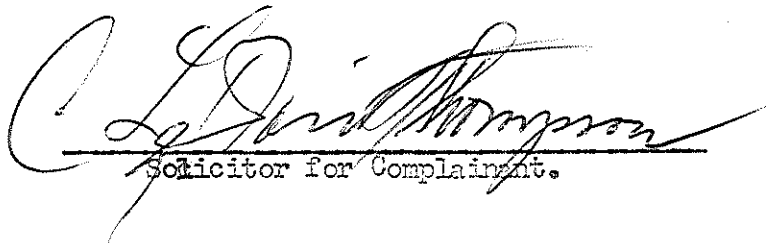
That on March 8, 1957, and on several occasions prior thereto the Respondent threatened and abused the Complainant and threatened to do actual violence to her person which would necessarily endanger her life and health. The conduct of the Respondent was such as to give the Complainant every reasonable apprehension to believe and she did actually believe that if she continued to live with him he would carry out his threats and do actual violence to her person, which would necessarily endanger her life and health.

4.

There are no children as fruits of this marriage and there has been a property settlement.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, your Complainant, prays that your Honor will, by proper process make the said Buford E. Sawyer, party Respondent to this bill of complaint, 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 further prays that your Honor will upon a final hearing hereof, award to her a decree of divorce forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between your Complainant and the Respondent.

Complainant prays for such other, further, different or general relief as she may be entitled in the premises, etc.


Solicitor for Complainant.

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ALMA WEBB SAWYER

COMPLAINANT

VS

BUFORD E. SAWYER

RESPONDENT

SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

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ALICE J. BUCK, Clerk

From the law offices of

C. LeNoir Thompson
Attorney-At-Law
Bay Minette, Alabama

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COMPLAINANT
VS
BIFORD E. SAWYER
RESPONDENT

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

Now comes the Respondent and accepted service of the summons and complaint in this cause.

The Respondent admits the allegations as to ages, marriage and residence, but denies all other allegations contained in the bill of complaint, and demand 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.

Respondent recognizes a property settlement has been had in this cause.

Biford E. Sawyer

STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

I, C. L. Ross, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Biford E. Sawyer, 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 on this the 18 day of March, 1957.

C. L. Ross
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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RESPONDENT

ANSWER AND WAIVER

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ALICE L. BIRK, CLERK

From the law offices of
C. LeNoir Thompson
Attorney At Law
Bay Minette, Alabama



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