The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

	MILES EDWARDS	
		vs. Complainant
	EDNA MAE EDWAF	
		Respondent
This Answer a		submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso
sideration th	ereof, the Court is of the opinion	that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for
said bill.		for the Complaniant is entitled to the relief prayed for
It is t	herefore ordered, adjudged and de	ecreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofo
existing bety Miles	Edwards	dant be, and the same are hereby dissolved, and that the sa
Edna said	Mae Edwards	is forever divorced from t
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It	is further ordered, a	djudged and decreed by the court that
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Illie Jan	e. the maternal cran	dmother of said children.
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days, neither I It is fut again contract It is fut	party shall again marry except to	ed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except n of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty each other during the pendency of said appeal. It and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted to est of this suit.
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		Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.
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I,	foregoing Judge of	Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the is a correct copy of the original decree, rendered by the the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said on file and enrolled in my office.
	•	itness my hand and seal this theday
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		Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY In Circuit Court, In Equity Complainant Respondent DIVORCE DECREE

CERTIFICATE

Peggy Preston
I,, the Commissioner appointed by the Court and named
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the Honorable Circuit Court of Mychile County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity, No, wherein
MILES EDWARDS is Complainant, and EDNA MAE EDWARDS
is Respondent, under and by virtue of the power conferred upon me by said Commission or agreement as
such commissioner, caused Miles Edwards , and Benjamin Todd
are who were made known to me, to come before me at 3:00 o'clock P.M., on August 25,
19 58, at 65 St. Emanuel Street, Mobile, Alabama; that said witnesses were first duly sworn
by me as stated; that they were then examined by WILLIAM GRAYSON , Solicitor for the
COMPLAINANT , and cross-examined-by
Solicitor for— Guardian Ad Litem &—, and they testified in Attorney Ad Litem for—
response thereto as is hereinabove written; and the testimony was by me reduced to writing as given
by said witnesses in narrative form, and as near might be the identical language of said witnesses, and
that, after said testimony had been so reduced to writing, it was by me read over to said witnesses; who
assented to and signed same, who refused to sign same, who was physically unable to sign same, or who
waired-the reading-and-signing of same, in my presence and in the presence of said Solicitor for
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COMPLAINANT and Guardian Ad-Ditent & Attorney Ad Liten for
I further certify that I am not of counsel or kin to any of the parties to the said cause, and am not
in anywise interested in the result thereof, and that the depositions are true and correct as given by
the witnesses.
Witness my hand this 25th day of August , 19 58
Commissioner

TESTIMONY OF MILES EBWARDS, WITNESS ON HIS OWN BEHALF:

My name is Miles Edwards and I am the Complainant in this cause. I am the husband of the Respondent and we were married to each other in the summer of 1942 in Butler, Alabama. Both myself and the Respondent are each over the ageof twenty-one years and both myself and the Respondent are both bona-fide resident citizens of the State of Alabama and have been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of the bill of complaint herein. There are two minor children as issue of our marriage, Ella Earl Edwards, age thirteen years and JoeJunior Edwards, age twelve years. Said children live and reside with their maternal grandmother, Willie Jane in Marengo County, Alabama, and she is a fit and proper person to be granted their custody and control. I have been sending money for the children every week for their support. The Respondent has committed adultery with one or more men since her marriage to me. I have caught her on more than one occasion committing adultery with a man named Jo Eddie Dubose and each time she would ask me to forgive her and I did until the last time and I could not bring myself to live with her again. Every time I see the Respondent she is with this man "Dubose" and they are at her house together at all hours of the day and night. I understand that the Respondent went through some type of marriage ceremony with this man in Meridian, Missisippi. One time, when I caught the Respondent in the bed with "Dubose" she admitted to me all to unnecessarily that she had had sexual Mules & dues do intersourse with him.

TESTIMONY OF MXKEZ BENJAMIN TOOD, WITNESS ON BEHALF OF THE COMPLAIMANT IN THIS CAUSE.

My name is Benjamin Todd and I have known the Complainant in this cause for approximately 15 years. The Complainant is the husband of the Respondent and they were married to each other in the summer of 1942 in Butler, Alabama. Both the Complainant and the Respondent are each over the age of twenty-one years and both the Complainant and the Respondent are bona-fide resident citizens of the State of Alabama and have been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of the bill of complaint herein. There are two minor children as issue of their marriage, Ella Earl Edwards, age thirteen years and Joe Junior Edwards, age twelve. years . These children live with their materal grandmother and I know that the Complainant sends support for these children every week. The Respondent has committed adultery with one or more .menn since her marriage to the Complainant. I have seen the Respondent in the presence of other men other than her husband on quite a few occasions. But I had never thought too much about it until people started talking and then I began to think back at the times I had seen her with other men. On one particular occasion I saw the Respondent riding around in an automobile with a man by the name of Dubose, and on other occasions I have seen the Respondent in the company of this man named Dubose in the same house with him every time I saw them together in a little sawmill quarter called "Chaple Hill" . It was talked around the quarters that they were living together but I could not say that, I only know that he was there with her every time that I went to the house. Tensoming Joll

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	FOR COMPLAINANT	1 00 W10.
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	FOR RESPONDENT	
)	Solicitor—For	Respondent

Vs.

ORDER OF SUBMISSION NOTE OF EVIDENCE

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

Comes the Complainant and shows unto Your Hopors add unto this Honorable Court as follows:

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Complainant is the husband of the Respondent and they were married to each other in the summer of 1942 in Butler, Alabama. Both the Complainant and the Respondent are each over the age of twenty-one years and both the Complainant and the Respondent are bona-fide resident citizens of the State of Alabama and have been such for more than one year next preceding the filing of the bill of complaint herein. There are two minor children as issue of their marriage, Ella Earl Edwards, age thirteen years and Joe junior Edwards, age twelve years. Said children live and reside with their maternal grandmother in Marengo County, Alabama and she is a fit and proper person to be granted their custody and control.

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The Respondent has committed adultery with one or more man since her marriage to the Complainant.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

Complainant prays that Your Honors will take jurisdiction of this cause, will make the said Edna Mae Edwards, party-respondent hereto, and will cause her to appear, plead, answer or demur hereto within the time allowed by law and the rules of this Honorable Court.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Complainant further prays that Your Honors will see fit to grant him an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony with the Respondent, and Complainant further prays for such other, further and different relief as in equity he may be due, and as in duty bound he will ever pray, etc.

SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT.

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