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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

, Complainant

vs.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS

, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on Registered Mail 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 Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards is forever divorced from the said James Robert Edwards for and on account of Abandonment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, That the Complainant, Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards, shall have the permanent care, custody and control of the minor child, Tony James Edwards, age about 10 months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, That the Respondent, James Robert Edwards, shall pay to the Complainant, Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards, the sum of \$77.10 per month as maintenance and support for the minor child, Tony James Edwards, age about 10 months.

It is futher 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 futher 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 futher ordered that Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which executed may issue.

This 17 day of March 1959

Hubert M. Hill

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\_\_\_\_\_

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY**

**In Circuit Court, In Equity**

**PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY**

**EDWARDS**

Complainant

vs.

**JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS**

Respondent

**DIVORCE DECREE**

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY, JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS, Complainant, vs. PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY, Respondent, Divorce Decree.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
(In Equity)

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

COMPLAINANT

vs.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS

RESPONDENT

I, Lois Wilson

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards and Mrs. Ethel Ridgway

witness es named in the requirement for Oral Examination, on the 7th day of March 19 59 , at the office of C. LeNoir Thompson

in Bay Minette , Alabama, and having first sworn said witness es to speak the

truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards and Mrs. Ethel Ridgway

doth depose and say as follows:

That my name is Patricia Ann Ridgeway Edwards, I am over the age of 18 and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama and have been all my life. The respondent James Robert Edwards is over the age of 21 and has been a resident of Alabama more than two years next preceding. We were married in Baldwin County, Alabama on November 23, 1956 and lived together as husband and wife in Alabama until on or about September 17, 1957 at which time the respondent voluntarily abandoned your complainant without fault on her part and we have not lived together as husband and wife since that date. There was born as fruits of our marriage one child, Tony James Edwards, age now about 10 months. There is no property to be divided. Your complainant does not ask for maintenance and support for herself but does ask for support for the child and respectfully represents to this Honorable Court the sum of \$77.10 a month is a reasonable sum under the existing circumstances for the support of said child. Your complainant further represents that she has had the care, custody and control of the said child since his birth and that she is a fit, suitable and proper person to have the continued care, custody and control of the said child. Your complainant respectfully asks for a divorce in addition to the other relief.

*Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards*

That my name is Ethel Ridgeway, I know both parties to this cause. The complainant is over the age of 18 and has been a resident of Alabama all her life. The respondent is over the age of 21 and has been a resident of Alabama more than two years next preceding. They were married in Baldwin County on or about November 23, 1956 and lived together as husband and wife until the respondent abandoned the complainant without fault on her part on September 17, 1957, they have not lived together as husband and wife since that date. There was born as fruits of this marriage one child Tony James Edwards, now age about 10 months. There is no property to be divided. The complainant has had the care, custody and control of this child since birth and I respectfully recommend her to be a fit, suitable and proper person to have the permanent care, custody and control of this child. I do not believe they will ever live together again as husband and wife.

*Mrs Ethel Ridgway*

ORAL EXAMINATION

I, **Lois Wilson** as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me 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 proof 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 **7th** day of **March**, 19**59**.

*Lois Wilson* (L. S.)

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**BALDWIN COUNTY**

**IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY**

**PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS**

**COMPLAINANT**

vs.

**JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS**

**RESPONDENT**

**ORAL DEPOSITION**

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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 Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards and Mrs. Ethel Ridgway

a witness in behalf of Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards in a cause pending in our Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards

, Complainant

and James Robert Edwards

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 7 day of March

, 1959

Alice J. Luck  
Register.

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Witness' Fees, \$

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

Complainant

VS.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

LOIS WILSON

WITNESSES:

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

MRS. ETHEL RIDGWAY

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

Vs.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS

CIRCUIT COURT OF  
Baldwin County.

IN EQUITY

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register that on the 18th  
day of November, 1958, a copy of the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause was  
sent to James Robert Edwards

Defendant, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom  
addressed," and return receipt demanded addressed to the Register of this Court; and that on the  
24th day of December, 1959, such receipt was duly  
received and filed in this cause:

And it further appearing to the Register that the said Defendant has failed to plead, answer  
or demur to the said Bill to the date hereof, it is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant, ordered,  
adjudged and decreed by the Register that the said Bill of Complaint be, and it hereby is in all things  
taken as confessed against the said James Robert Edwards

Defendant

This the 6 day of May, 1959

*Alice J. Luck*

Register

No. \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN  
COUNTY, ALABAMA

In Equity.

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

Vs.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS

DECREE PRO CONFESSO AFTER  
NOTICE BY REGISTERED MAIL

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The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

No. .... CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS ..... Complainant

Vs.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS ..... Defendant

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against James Robert Edwards

Defendant

in the above stated cause, on the ground that more than thirty days have elapsed since service of summons upon said Defendant....., and that said summons was duly served by Registered Mail, according to law, and that said Defendant.....has..... failed to demur, plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause to this date.

This 6 day of Mar, 1959

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*[Signature]* Solicitor.

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**

**CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY**

**PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS**

**Vs.**

**JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS**

**MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO**  
**AFTER NOTICE BY REGISTERED MAIL**

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PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS

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vs.

JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS

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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 Patricia Ann Ridgway Edwards and Mrs. Ethel Ridgway,  
Motion for Decree Pro Confesso after notice by registered mail  
and Decree Pro Confesso after Notice by Registered Mail.

and in behalf of Defendant upon \_\_\_\_\_  
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*C. L. DeWitt*

*Alice J. Duck*

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**

**IN EQUITY**  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

**PATRICIA ANN RIDGWAY EDWARDS**

VS.

**JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS**

**Note of Testimony**

Filed in Open Court this \_\_\_\_\_

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

Register.

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS, 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 PATRICIA ANN RIDGEWAY EDWARDS, as Complainant and against JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS, as Respondent.

WITNESS my hand this the 18 day of Nov., 1958.

Alice J. Luck  
Register.

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PATRICIA ANN RIDGEWAY EDWARDS	*	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
COMPLAINANT	*	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.
VS	*	IN EQUITY.
JAMES ROBERT EDWARDS	*	CASE NO. _____
RESPONDENT	*	
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TO HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA:

Your Complainant, Patricia Ann Ridgeway Edwards, respectfully represents unto Your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant is over the age of 18 and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been more than two years next preceding; The Respondent is over the age of 21 and a resident of the State of Alabama, and has been more than two years next preceding.

2.

That your Complainant and the Respondent married in Baldwin County, on November 23, 1956 and lived together as husband and wife in Alabama until on to-wit September 17, 1957.

3.

That on to-wit, September 17, 1957, while your Complainant and the Respondent were living together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, the Respondent voluntarily abandoned the bed and board of your Complainant and has remained away voluntarily and continuously since that time.

4.

There was born as fruits of this marriage between the Complainant and the Respondent one child: Tony James Edwards, age about four months, and there is no property to be divided.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, your Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper procedure make the said James Robert Edwards, 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 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; that a decree be made granting her the sum of Seventy-seven & 10/100 (\$77.10) Dollars per month to be paid by the Respondent, James Robert Edwards, for the maintenance and support of the minor child, Tony James Edwards, age about four months, and your Petitioner does not ask for any maintenance and support for herself; that a decree be made awarding to the Complainant the care, custody and control of the minor child, Tony James Edwards, age about four months; and your Petitioner does not ask for any maintenance and support for herself; that a decree be made awarding to the Complainant the care, custody and control of the minor child, Tony James Edwards, age about four months; Your Complainant prays for such other, further, different or general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive.

  
Solicitor for Complainant.

Defendant's present address:  
James Robert Edwards  
SN 4749199 ARD 3 VF 24  
USS Lexington  
c/o Fleet P. O.  
San Francisco, California

*filed Nov. 18, 1958*  
*Alice J. Luck, 209*

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PATRICIA ANN RIDGEWAY EDWARDS

COMPLAINANT

VS

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