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DIVORCE DECREE

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Dorothy Morris, Complainant

vs.

James B. Morris, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Confesso~~ on 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 Dorothy Morris is forever divorced from the said James B. Morris for and on account of Voluntary Abandonment.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that Complainant shall have the care and custody of the child, Harriett Morris;

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said James B. Morris, the Respondent, shall pay the sum of \$40.00 Dollars, monthly, for the maintenance and support of said child;

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 the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that the Respondent pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 22nd day of December, 1952.

J. J. ... 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  
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Telfair J. Mashburn, Jr
Judge Circuit Court, In Equity.

I, Alice J. Duck, 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 19th day of March, 1953.

Register of Circuit Court, In Equity.

Dorothy Morris  
Complainant

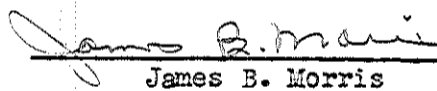
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James B. Morris  
Respondent

Circuit Court  
Baldwin County  
Alabama  
In Equity

Comes James B. Morris, Respondent, and, for answer to the Bill of Complaint <sup>in</sup> ~~the~~ the within cause, says that he denies each and every allegation therein contained.

Respondent hereby waives the right to demand for formal issuance of commission to take testimony, the right to cross examine Complainants' witnesses or to introduce evidence in his own behalf and agrees that the within cause may be submitted for final decree at any time without further notice to him upon Complainants' pleadings and evidence as noted by the Register.

  
James B. Morris

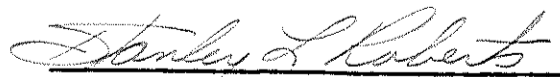


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Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared James B. Morris, known to me, and he acknowledged that he executed the foregoing answer and waiver voluntarily with full knowledge of the contents thereof and the purposes.

Given under my hand and official seal this 19 day of November 1952.

(Seal)

  
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*Answers & Waives*

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James B. Morris  
Respondent

Alabama

In Equity

To the Honorable Telfair J. Mashburn, Jr., Judge of said Court,  
sitting in Equity;

Comes Dorothy Morris and exhibits this, her Bill of Complaint  
against James B. Morris, and shows unto Your Honor as follows;

First: Complainant, whose age is 22 years, and Respondent, whose  
age is 25 years, intermarried December 29th 1944 at Phoenix City  
in the State of Alabama and, ever since said marriage until the  
acts complained of hereinafter, lived together as husband and wife  
within the State of Alabama.

Second: More than one year prior to the filing of the within bill  
and while the parties hereto resided in Baldwin County, Alabama,  
Respondent did voluntarily abandon Complainant and has continued  
said abandonment with total neglect of the marital covenant on his  
part ever since.

Third: Complainant remains a resident of said Baldwin County, Alabama,  
living presently in the City of Fairhope therein.

Fourth: To said marriage was born a child, Harriett Morris, now aged  
4 years.

The premises considered, Complainant prays that said James B. Morris be,  
by all due and appropriate process, made party Defendant to the within  
suit, that he be compelled to plead, demur or answer to the several par-  
agraphs hereof within the time prescribed by law and that he be compelled  
to abide and obey all orders made in the premises.

Complainant further prays, upon a hearing of the within cause, that a  
decree be ordered and entered forever divorcing her from said James B.  
Morris, granting her the custody and control of said minor child, granting  
such amounts for the maintenance and support of said child as may seem  
meet and proper and granting her such other, further and different relief  
as, in Equity, may seem meet and proper.

E. A. Cramer, Atty.  
Fairhope, Alabama

  
Solicitor for Complainant

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Bill of complaint

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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
 Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
 (In Equity)

Dorothy Morris

Complainant

VS.

James B. Morris

Respondent

I, Frances G. Crawford,

as Register and Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

have called and caused to come before me Dorothy Morris and Mrs. J. C. Allen

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 15th day of December  
1952, at the office of E. A. Cramer, Attorney,  
 in Fairhope, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness<sup>es</sup> to speak the  
 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Dorothy Morris

doth depose and say as follows:

I am 23 years old and my husband, James B. Morris, is 25 years old. We were married December 29th 1944, at Phoenix City, Alabama. We have a child, Harriett, who is past the age of 4 years. We lived in Alabama ever since our marriage and were living in Baldwin County, Alabama, in July, 1949. During July, 1949, my husband abandoned me and our child. I have remained a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, since and have lived in Fairhope, Alabama, for more than one year. I have had a number of letters from my husband in which he has stated repeatedly that he would never come back to me. I suppose that we were such children at our marriage that we did not have sense enough to realize what it was all about. I am satisfied that we can never get together again in view of his written statements to me. I do not care for anything from him but he ought to take care of the baby. I do not even know what his pay is. He is now in the army in Germany. I believe that, if I am granted a divorce, he should be ordered to pay about \$40.00 per month for the baby. He never showed any interest in Harriett and never made any attempt to see her after he left us. I feel that I should have custody and control of her..

Dorothy Morris

And the said Mrs. J. C. Allen doth depose and say as follows:

I am Dorothy's Mother. She and Harriett have lived with me in Fairhope, Alabama, for more than a year. I know that James deserted her and the baby about the middle of 1949 and he has never made any attempt to come back even to see them. He seems to be entirely uninterested in the baby and has, apparently, been tired of being married since shortly after they married. They were such babies when they were married that I feel that there is a better life ahead of my daughter if she is divorced from James.

Mrs. J. C. Allen



ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Frances G. Crawford, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ and read over to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ signed the same in the presence of myself \_\_\_\_\_

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 13th day of December, 1952.

Frances G. Crawford (L. S.)

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BALDWIN COUNTY

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*Elizabeth Morris*

vs.

*James B. Morris*

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, \_\_\_\_\_

*Testimony of Complainant and witness, J. C. Bell*

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

*Answer & Waiver*

*Archie Wessell*  
Register.

E.A. CRAMER

No. ....

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

**IN EQUITY**  
**Circuit Court of Baldwin County**

*Elizabeth Morris*

vs.

*James B. Morris*

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**NOTE OF TESTIMONY**

Filed in Open Court this *22nd*

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*Archie J. Ketch*  
Register.