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

GENEVA WHITE

Complainant

VS.

JOHN H. WHITE

Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso

on Answer & Waiver of the Respondent 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 Geneva White

is forever divorced from the said John H. White

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 the payment of the cost of this suit.

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

This 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1945

J. M. Hare

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

vs. Complainant

Respondent

**DIVORCE DECREE**

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Register

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA -- GREETINGS:

WE COMMAND YOU, that you summon JOHN H. WHITE to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, exercising Chancery Jurisdiction within thirty days after the service of summons, and there to plead, answer or demur without oath to a bill of complaint lately exhibited by Geneva White, and further to do and perform what the said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf, and this the Respondent shall in no wise omit under penalty of the law. And we further command that you return this writ with your execution thereon to our said Court, immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, R. S. DUCK, Register of said Court this the 34 day of January, 1945.

  
Register

GENEVA WHITE  
COMPLAINANT  
VS.  
JOHN H. WHITE  
RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
IN EQUITY

TO HONORABLE F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY:

Now comes your Complainant, Geneva White, and humbly complaining against the Respondent, John H. White, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That the Complainant and the Respondent are both bona fide residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, and are over twenty-one years of age;

2.

That your Complainant and the Respondent were married at Bay Minette, Alabama, on April 24, 1943, and lived together as husband and wife until January 14, 1945;

3.

That on to-wit, January 14, 1945, and at various times prior thereto, the Respondent threatened, cursed, and abused the Complainant, and that on several occasions 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 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 violence to her person which would necessarily endanger her life and health.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, your Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process make the said John H. White party Respondent to this cause 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.

The Complainant further prays that upon the final hearing hereof, your Honor will enter a decree, awarding to her an absolute decree of divorce, forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between her and the Respondent; that your Honor will give and grant to her such other, further, different or general relief as she may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive, and as in duty bound, she will ever pray.

BEEBE & HALL

BY: *H. M. Saxe*  
Solicitors for the Complainant

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, in and for the District of Columbia, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same is on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the District of Columbia, to-wit:

That the original of the same is on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the District of Columbia, to-wit:

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**SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT**

**JOHN H. WHITE**  
**RESPONDENT**

**VS.**

**GENEVA WHITE**  
**COMPLAINANT**

Filed for me by 24/1948  
R. H. [Signature]  
R. H. [Signature]

That the original of the same is on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the District of Columbia, to-wit:

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

TO Lillian Patterson

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

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

Complainant

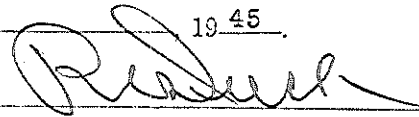
and John H. White

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon Geneva White

to take and certify the deposition of the witness and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 24th day of January 19 45



REGISTER

Commissioner's Fee \$

Witness' Fees, \$

NO. 262

**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**  
**CIRCUIT COURT**

Complainant

VS.

Defendant

**Commission To Take Deposition**

COMMISSIONER:

Witnesses:



GENEVA WHITE

COMPLAINANT

VS.

JOHN H. WHITE

RESPONDENT

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, \_\_\_\_\_  
Answer and Waiver of the Respondent, testimony of Geneva White.

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



Register.

No. 1360

**The State of Alabama**  
BALDWIN COUNTY

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

vs.

**NOTE OF TESTIMONY**

Filed in Open Court this 24

day of Jan 1955,

*[Handwritten Signature]*

REGISTER

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
(In Equity)

GENEVA WHITE

Complainant

VS.

JOHN H. WHITE

Respondent

I, Lillian Patterson  
as ~~Register~~ and Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
have called and caused to come before me Geneva White

witness \_\_\_\_\_ named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 24th day of January  
1945, at the office of Beebe & Hall  
in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness \_\_\_\_\_ to speak the  
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Geneva White  
\_\_\_\_\_ doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Geneva White, I live in Baldwin County, Alabama, and am over twenty-one years of age. The Respondent is over twenty one years of age and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

The Respondent and I married at Bay Minette in Baldwin County, Alabama, on the 21st day of April 1943. We lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, until January 14th, 1945. The Respondent on January 14th, 1945 and at various other times prior thereto threatened, cursed and abused me, and on several occasions threatened to do actual violence to my person, which would necessarily endanger my life and health. The conduct of the Respondent was such as to give me every reasonable apprehension to be lieve and I did actually believe that if I continued to live with him he would carry out his threats and do violence to my person, which would necessarily endanger my life and health. The condition are such that I am absolutely certain that we cannot live together as husband and wife.

Geneva White

**ORAL EXAMINATION.**

I, Lillian Patterson, 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 her and she signed the same in the presence of myself and Hubert M. Hall at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness—or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness—; 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 24th day of January, 1945.

Lillian Patterson (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

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Respondent.

**Oral Deposition**

Filed 1-24, 1945

R. S. Hall, Register.

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, Register.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
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IN EQUITY

Now comes the Respondent and accepts service of the SUMMONS and COMPLAINT in this cause, and wives any and all other or further notices required by law to be given me.

The Respondent denies each and every allegation contained in the Complainant's bill of complaint and demands strict proof of the same.

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

Witness:

John H. White 57

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GENEVA WHITE  
COMPLAINANT

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RESPONDENT

ANSWER AND WAIVER

*Filed Jan 24 1945*  
*R. R. White,*  
*Deputy*