# The State Of Alabama, Baldwin County CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

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Frances &. Crawford, Editor.

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Subscribed and sworn to this 26th day of March, 1945,

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July 7, 1945

R. S. Duck, Clerk Circuit Court Baldwin County Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Sir:

Huey O. Newcomb, AS, USN-I, is in receipt of a Petition from you in the matter of EUNICH NEWCOMB vs. H. O. NEWCOMB. This is a petition to declare void a decree of divorce granted to Newcomb on February 13, 1945.

Newcomb intends to retain E. Cramer, Attorney, Fairhope, Alabama to protect his interests in this matter. He would appreciate it if this matter could be delayed a few days until Mr. Cramer has had an opportunity to present Newcomb's defense.

Will you kindly place this letter in the file of the action in order that it may be brought to the attention of the Court before any decision is made?

Very truly yours,

G. M. BUDD

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Solicitors for Respondent.

EUNICE NEWCOMB,

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

Respondent.

Comes the Respondent in the above styled cause and moves the Court to require the Complainant to give security for cost in the above styled cause and as ground for said Motion says:-

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## FIRST:

In the Bill of Complaint it is alleged in paragraph one that the Complainant is a non-resident of the State of Alabama her address being Bay Springs, Mississippi.

WHEREFORE the Respondent says that the Complainant should be required, under the laws of the State of Alabama, to give security for cost in the above styled cause in such amount as your Honor may provide.

HYBART-& CHASON

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Solicitors for Respondent.

EUNICE NEWCOMB,

Complainant,

VS.

H. O. NEWCOMB,

Respondent.

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

Filed July 17, 1947.

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	Complainant,	)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
	vs.	Ĵ	IN EQUITY.
H. O.	NEWCOMB,	)	
	Respondent.	)	

Comes the Respondent in the above styled cause and for answer to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause and each and every paragraph thereof, separately and severally says:

## ONE:

In answer to the first paragraph of the Bill of Complaint, the Respondent admits that the Complainant is over the age of twenty one years and a non-resident of the State of Alabama; the Respondent admits that she now lives in Bay Springs, Mississippi, but he does not know how long she has resided there.

### TWO:

In answer to the second paragraph of the Bill of Complaint, the Respondent admits that he is over the age of twenty one years but denies that he is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, residing in Bay Springs, Mississippi. The Respondent says that he moved to Mobile, Alabama, about January 1943, where he resided until about January 1945; that he then moved to Fairhope in Baldwin County, Alabama, where he lived for about six months; that when he left Baldwin County, he returned to Mobile, Alabama, where he has lived since that time; that the Respondent has been absent from the State a part of this time while he was in the Navy.

## THREE:

In answer to the third paragraph of the Bill of Complaint, the Respondent says that he filed a Bill of Complaint in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, on February 13, 1945, while he was a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and while his wife was a non-resident of the State of Alabama; he admits that he charged her with voluntary abandonment and that his divorce was granted on that ground.

## FOUR:

In answer to the fourth paragraph of the Bill of Complaint, the Respondent admits that a divorce decree was granted

to him on May 1, 1945.

## FIVE:

The Respondent denies all of the allegations of the fifth paragraph of the Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof. The Respondent says that all of the allegations contained in his Bill of Complaint were true; the Respondent says that he has not been a resident of Bay Springs, Mississippi, for more than four years; that he does not own any property there and has no intentions of ever returning there; that his wife was living with him in Mobile, Alabama, at the time she abandoned him; that he knew that she returned at that time to Bay Springs, Mississippi, but she had told him that she was going to leave there and he was of the opinion that she had already left there when he filed his suit; the Respondent says that he had told his wife that he was intending to secure a divorce but he did not notify her after he secured one.

## SIX:

The Respondent denies all of the allegations of the sixth paragraph of the Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof; the Respondent says that there is no false statements in his Bill of Complaint which constituted a fraudupon the Complainant or the Court.

Solicitors for Respondent.

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Comes the Respondent in the above styled cause and demurs to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause and each and every paragraph thereof separately and severally and assigns the following separate and several grounds, viz:-

l.

That said Complaint does not state a cause of action.

2.

That the allegation in the fifth paragraph of the Complaint "that the allegations contained in the original Bill of Complaint filed by the Respondent, against the Complainant, were wholly false", is contradictory, in that certain allegations in the Complaint referred to were also made in this Bill of Complaint.

3.

That said Complaint fails to allege that the Respondent in this suit knew the Post Office Address of the Complainant in this suit at the time he filed his original Bill of Complaint.

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That the allegation in the fifth paragraph of the Bill of Complaint "that although the respondent knew her address," is now an allegation that he knew her Post Office Address at the time he filed his Bill of Complaint.

5.

That said Complaint fails to allege that the Complainant had not abandoned the Respondent prior to his filing a Bill of Complaint against her.

For aught appearing from the Bill of Complaint the Respondent is a bona fide resident of the State of Alabama and had been such a resident for a sufficient length of time to enable him to file a Bill for Divorce at the time such Bill was filed.

That said Bill of Complaint fails to allege how long the respondent has resided in Mobile, Alabama.

## DEMURRER

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IN EQUITY.

This matter coming on to be heard on the Motion filed by the Respondent in the above styled cause to require security for cost on the part of the Complainant and it appearing to the Court that the Complainant, Eunice Newcomb is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that the law in such cases requires a security for cost be given.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Complainant, Eunice Newcomb give security for cost in the amount of \$\frac{700}{00}\$, within \$\frac{20}{00}\$ days or the cause will stand dismissed.

Dated this 17th day of July, 1947.

## ORDER

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RESPONDENT		

Now come the parties hereto, acting by and through their Solicitors of Record, and stipulate and agree as follows:

7.

That the testimony of the witnesses on behalf of the Complainant: Eunice Newcomb and Mrs. Ott Wilson, be taken before Evelyn Watts as special commissioner.

2.

That notice of the time and place of taking the testimony of said witnesses is waived.

3.

That the issuance of commission to Evelyn Watts as special commissioner is waived.

4.

That the testimony of said witnesses be taken down in shorthand, and when transcribed by the said special commissioner have the same probative force as if taken in accordance with law.

5.

That this cause be submitted for final decree without notice.

Dated this the 24th day of September, 1947/

Solicitor for the Complainant

Solicitorsfor the Respondent

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COMPLAINANT

VS:

H. O. NEWCOMB

RESPONDENT

AGREEMENT

## TESTIMONY OF MRS. EUNICE NEWCOMB

What is your name? Eunice Wilson Newcomb.

Where do you live? Bay Springs, Mississippi.

How old are you? 33

How old is Mr. H. O. Newcomb? about 28.

Do you know where Mr. Newcomb lives? At Present? no sir.

Mrs. Newcomb, where were you residing on Feburary 14, 1945? Bay Springs, Mississippi.

How long have you been a resident of Bay Springs, Mississippi? I have lived in and around Bay Springs all of my life, and for the past five years I lived in Bay Springs.

Did you leave Bay Springs at any time? Only when we went to Pascagoula and Mobile for him to work.

How long did you stay in Pascagoula? Just a couple months.

How long did you stay in Mobile? We went in October 1943, and stayed until September 1944.

When you moved to Pascagoula and to Mobile did you carry your furniture with you or did you just board. Just rented an apartment. We rented a furnished apartment. Just enough to light house keep. Just clothes and linens.

While you were in Mobile you and your Husband where as your residence? Did you intent to reside in Mississippi? Yes.

When did you return to Bay Springs, Mississippi, from Mobile? in September 1944.

When you returned from Mobile to Bay Springs, Mississippi, was there any agreement between you and Mr. Newcomb? Yes Sir.

He askedme to go home to send the boy to school, and said when school was out if he was not in service we could come back.

Did you go directly from Mobile to Bay Springs, Mississippi? Yes Sir.

Have you lived since that time continuously in Bay Springs? Yes Sir.

After leaving Mobile in September or October 1944 when did you next see Mr. Newcomb. He came home a week or two after he carried us home.

Was he home in 1944? Yes Spend Christman in Bay Springs, Mississippi.

After he left Bay Springs at Christmas time in 1944 when did he next come back to Bay Springs? in January 1945.

You and your boy were still living at Bay Springs? Yes.

After he left there in January 1945, did he again come back to Bay Springs? He was there in April.

Do you remember what time of April. 20th of April.

Did you see and talke with him. Yes Sir, he came to the house.

Did you and him live together as husband and wife at that time? Yes, we carried him to catch the bus at the time he was there in April. He was on his way to Camp Shelby for induction.

How long did he stay there at that time? He stayed from early in the morning until time to catch the bus.

About how many hours was he in Bay Springs at that time? He got off at the house about 4 o'clock and stayed to about 7 or 8 o'clock.

On this visit in April and on the previous visits that he made to Bay Springs did you see and talk with him? Yes sir.

Were you and the child living there, at the time? Yes.

With whom were you living? My mother and father.

On each of his visits to Bay Springs he came out to the house where you were living? Yes.

Did you during the time intervening between these visits receive any word from him? Yes.

What was thenature of the messages you got from him? Wanting a divorce.

What did you tell him? I wanted to knowwhy he wanted it.

What did he say to this? He told me he could get one any time he wanted it. I saw his sister-in-law in town and she told me he had it.

Mrs. Newcomb, where were you living during the months of February and March 1945? Bay Springs.

Did Mr. Newcomb at that time know that you lived at Bay Springs? Yes.

Mrs. Newcomb, was there at any time between the time you left Mobile and in April 1945 you were out of Bay Springs? No Sir.

You were in Bay Springs continuously from the time you left Mr. Newcomb in Mobile until the present time? Yes sir.

In April 1945 about the 27th did you receive a message from Mr. Newcomb? Yes, a telegram.

Is that the telegram you received? Yes.

I believe that you state Mrs. Newcomb, that just a few days prior to the 27th Mr. Newcomb was in Bay Springs? Yes, He was on his way to Camp Shelby.

Did Mr. Newcomb at any time tell you that he had changed his residence from Mississippi to Alabama? No Sir.

During the time he was in Mobile andyou in Bay Springs did he at any time send any gifts or presents to your son? Yes Sir. When he came home Christmas he brought gifts and sent money from time to time.

Did you at any time abandon Mr. Newcomb? No sir.

When you left Mobile you stated, I believe, that it was at his request? Yes.

And he told you to go to Bay Springs? Yes, to send the boy to school.

You have remained in Bay Springs continuously from that time to the present? Yes sir.

The Complainant offers in evidence telegram from H. O. Newcomb to Mrs. H. O. Newcomb, Bay Springs, Mississippi, and asks that it be marked Exhibit "A".

The Complainant offers in evidence the original bill of Complainant filed in the Gircuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, on February 14, 1945, in the case of H. O. Newcomb, Complainant, vs Eunice Newcomb, Respondent, and asks that it be made Exhibit "B".

The Complainant offers in evidence original decree of divorce in the case of H. O. Newcomb vs Eunice Newcomb dated May 1, 1945, and asks that it be made Exhibit "C".

Mrs. Newcomb, when did you say Mr. Newcomb asked you to return from Mobile to Bay Springs? In September when school started. What Year? 1944.

Mrs. Newcomb, where were you living on February 1, 1943? Bay Springs.

With your husband? He was working.

Do you remember where he was working in 1944? Pascagoula.

Were you living at Pascagoula at that time? We went down there but it was later on.

After February 1, 1945, did you live as wife with Mr. Newsomb? Yes.

I believe you stated you stayed in Pascagoula and also in Mobile? Yes.

And I beliebe you states that you continued to live with him until in September 1944? Yes.

The Complainant offers in evidence the original deposition of H. G. Newcomb taken before Frances G. Crawford as commissioner on April 27, 1945, and asks that it be identified as Exhibit "D".

## CROSS EXAMINATION BY JOHN CHASON

Mrs. Newcomb when did you and Mr. Newcomb marry? 1936

What day and year? 18th day of December, 1936.

When was your child born? February 20, 1938.

You were living at Bay Springs, Mississippi at that time? We weren't living right in town but around.

When did you or your husband first leave Bay Springs, Mississippi? He left in 1943 to go to Pascagoula to work, The date and the Month? I don't remember the month.

How long did he stay in Pascagoula? Three or four months.

Did he leave there in 1943 or 1945? 1943.

Where did he go them? Mobile.

Do you know what month in 1943, he went to Mobile? I don't know.

Did you go with him when he first went to Pascagoula? No.

Did you live with him at all in Pascagoula? Yes.

How Long? Just a couple of months.

Did you go with him when he first went to Mobile, No, he went from Pascagoula to Mobile.

How long had he been in Mobile when you went there to live? About 4 or 5 months.

You went to Mobile to live with him about 4 or 5 months after he moved to Mobile, then you went there in 1944? Yes.

Do you know what month? October.

And how long did you stay there? Until the next September.

Now you say that you went there to live in October 1944 or 1943? It was 1943, becasue we came back in 1944 to start the boy to school.

Do you know how early in 1943 you went to Pascagoula. No.

Do you know what month? No.

But you say that he stayed in Pascagoula 3 or 4 months and then he wen to Mobile and had been there 4 or 5 months when you went to him in October 1943, is that correct? We lived in Mobile from October 1943 until September 1944.

Now you left there and went back to Bay Springs, Mississippi? Yes.

Is it not a fact, tMrs. Newcomb that your husband left Bay Spring on July 17, 1942, and that you went to Mobile to him in the Spring of 1943. You just stated that you went there in October 1943. Isn't it a fact that you wentto Mobile in the Spring of 1943 and you stayed there until September or October Spring of 1943 and you stayed there until September or October 1943? It would be some six months? We lived in Mobile in 1943 and moved back home in 1944.

How long did you stay with him in Mobile? From October to September, approximately 1 year.

Will you tell us your address in Mobile during that years' time? Crichton at Item Avenue.

Did you live there the full 11 months? Yes From October to the last day of August When we moved home.

Now you say you went back to Bay Springs, Mississippi? Yes.

At that time how old was you child? He was six, he started to school.

He was six years old and he started to school? Yes.

Is this a correct copy of the telegram from him. That is what I received.

Is this a correct copy or the original telegram? It is the telegram itself.

What causes you to say that you received this telegram in April, 1943? It is stamped on the back of the envelope. There is no date on this telegram to tell when it was sent orreceived is there Mrs. Newcomb. And you have no dependent recollection when you received it. I know it was in April becase he went for an examination.

Now you brought some property in Mississippi with Mr. Newcomb's money? Yes, we were buying the place and he was

paying payments.

In all of it how much did he pay for it? I don't know how much he paid. He wasn't buying the place. He was paying payments on a part of it.

What size place was it that was being bought? 13 acres.

Did it have a house on it? Yes.

What was the cost price or the purchase price? I don't know.

Give us you best judgment. About howmany hundred/ I don't know.

What would you take for the place now? We have been offered \$1300.00.

About how much did he pay on it, your husband,? Well he paid \$15.00 a month.

For how man months? He quit some time in 1945.

Mrs. Newcomb you handled the transaction in you name % No. Your mother's name. Yes.

You used his money and bought a place that you put in your Mother's name? No sir, he wanted it that way.

He had a cer and you got that didn't you? No.

Did you say that you got the automobile? No.

Where is it? He didn't give me anything.

Didn't you have a car? We bought one in Mobile. I didn's get it

Were you satisfied in Mobile? Yes.

Isn't it a fact that you and your husband had lived in the home of your parents so that you became dis-satisfied when you were in Mobile? No sir I wash't dissatisfied.

Isn't is a fack that you said you were going back to Bay Aprings and take the child with you? No

Didn't you abandon him whilehe was in Mobile? No.

Didn't you tell him that you were going to leave and you didn't tell him where you were going. No.

Mrs. Newcomb, after you left Mobile in the latter part of August, 1944 and went back to Bay Springs, Mississippi, did you come back to Mobile any time? Yes.

Did yoh go to where Mr. Newcomb was living? Yes.

When did you come back? When he went to live with his mother. We spent Thanksgiving with his mother.

Where did his mother life? At Pritchard.

Wou went back and spect Thanksgiving with his mother? Yes.

When did you come back to Mobile again? Well I come back later and tried to get him to leave Mobile and he told me that he wanted to live in Mobile.

You left him and went back to Mississippi? I wanted to stay but he thought it best to go back and send the boy to shoool.

Now you say that you got a telegram from him? is that right? Yes.

What did the telegram say? That he was to report in Camp Shelby in 21 days.

Did you say he was then in Mobile? Did you go over there?

After you left him in Mobile did you go back to Mobile? Only two times.

And the second time that you went back there you tried to persuade him to leave Alabama and go back to Mississippi? I didn't expect him to leave Alabama but I thought if I could get him to him to get away from the crowd he was running around with we could make a go of it.

Had you separated them? When I went down there hetold me that he was through with us and never intended to live with us again.

Then when was than? I don't remember what month or the right date.

What year was it in? That was in 1945.

What time of the year? Fall of 1945.

Isn't it a fact that you were informed in Bay Springs by a relation of his in May, 1945, that a divorce had been granted and didn't you file this suit to set aside in June 1945 of which would be prior to the time you just mentioned? I might have said in 1945 but I didn't say May.

## TESTIMONY OF MRS. OTT WILSON

What is you name? Mrs. Ott Wilsoh.

Mrs. Wilson, where do you live? Bay Springs, Mississippi.

Do you know Mrs. Ennice Newcomb? Yes.

What relation is she to you? My daughter.

Do you know where you daughter lived during the year 1943? She lived part of the year in my house in Bay Springs and the latter part of the year she went with her husband to Mobile.

During the year 1943 was your daughter and Mr. Newcomb living together as husband and wife? I thought they were. They stayed in my house.

After they moved to Mobile did you go down there? I swent to Mobile and spenta few days with them.

Where were they living at that time? They were living at Crichton.

Do you know what year that was? 1944.

At that time Mr. Newcomb, Mrs. Newcomb and the boy were living there at Mr. George Newcomb at Chichton? Yes sir.

Do you know when your daughter came back to Bay Springs? She came back in the Fall 1944.

She has been there continuously, that is, she has lived there continuously since that time? Yes sir.

Have you seem Mr. Newcomb in Bay Springs since the Fall 1944 after you daughter came back? Yes sir. He spent a night and day with us.

Mr. Newcomb, after your daughter came back to Bay Springs from Mobile, came to Bay Springs and lived with his wife and in your home? No.

Has Mrs. Newcomb lived in BaySPrings continuously since she hame back from Mobile? Yes.

## CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. JOHN CHASON:

Mrs. Wilson he paid a part on a house and piece of land that was put in your name. They had lived with us ever since they had been married in our house, and we had never charged them any rent. There was three notes on it and he asked if he could help pay for it and we all went on thenotes and he paid part of it.

How much did he pay? I don't know

Now your daughter and the child have lived with you ever since the marriage of your daughter except the time they was working on the defense work. Yes.

How long was that period of time? Pascagoula three or four months. Mobile how long? Something like a year.

You daughter got dis-satisfied in Mobile? I didn8t hear any talke of it. She came home crying.

You still live in the house that he helped pay for? I finished paying it out.

Didn't you try to get Mr. Newcomb and your daughter to come back and live you in that house. I didn't encourage it. They just came back. They had left some of their things there.

Did you insist onyour daughter coming back and live with him? My daughter wrote and aske me what to do about coming home.

The Respondent offers no testimony.

EUNICE NEWCOMB

COMPLAINANT

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TESTIMONY OF EUNICE NEWCOMB AND MRS. OTT WILSON

## THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama (In Equity)

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I was married to Emnice on December 18th 1936 at Laurel, Mississippi. I am 28 years of age and my wife is 32 years of age. I have lived in Baldwin County, Alabama, for more than two years. On or about February 1st 1943, my wife left me. So far as I know, there was no justificiation for her leaving. She has refused to return and for about one year past I have not even known where she was. I was advised that she had left the State of Alabama, however. Through her family, I know that she is not a member of the Armed Forces.

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And the said Mauldin D. Vines doth depose and say as follows:

I have known Mr. H. O. Newcomb more than two years. I know that his wife left him in the early part of 1943 and has not lived with him ever since that date. I have occasion to see Mr. Newcomb almost daily and have had for nearly two years. I am 29 years of age and, at present, a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

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H. O. Newcomb ) In the Circuit Court Court Complainant ) Baldwin County vs ) Alabama

Eunice Newcomb ) In Equity

To the Honorable Francis W. Hare, Judge of said Court, sitting in Equity:

Comes Your Complainant, H. O. Newcomb, and respectfully exhibits this, His Bill of Complaint against Funice Newcomb andshows unto Your Honor as follows:

First: Complainant who is past the age of of 28 years and Respondent who is past the age of 32 years intermarried on December 18th 1936 at Lagrel, Missispi.

Second: On or about February 1st 1943, Respondent voluntarily abandoned the Complainant andhas continued said abandonment ever since to the present date with total neglect of the marital covenant on her part.

Third: Complaiment has been a resident of the State of Alabama for two years past, residing presently in Baldwin County therein.

The premises considered, Complainant prays that Your Honor grant all appropriate and legal process and that same be directed to said Eunice Newcomb demanding her to personally appear before this Honorable Court within the time prescribed by law and then and there to answer fully and completely the several paragraphs of this Bill of Complaint and that she be required to abide and obey all decrees and orders of this Court which to Your Honor may seem meet and proper.

Complainant further prays, upon a hearing of this cause, that a decree be rendered forever divrcing Complainant from said Eunice Newcomb and granting Complainant such other, further and different relief as may be or appear proper in the premises.

Solicitor for Complainment

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State of Alabama, Baldwin County, ss
Personally appeared E. A. Cramer, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says:
That he is attorney for H. O. Newcomb in a suit of divorce against Eunice
Newcomb; that he believes, upon information and investigation, that said
Eunice Newcomb is past the age of twenty one years and is, presently, a
non resident of the State of Alabama wherefore he believes that notice of
the pendency of said action ought to be given by publication.

Subscribed and sworn to this 13th day of February, A. D. 1945, before me.

Notary Public, Baldwin County

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EXHIBIT "B"

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STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA - GREETINGS:

WE COMMAND YOU that you summon H. O. NEWCOMB, 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 Eunice Newcomb, against the said H. O. Newcomb, 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 4 relay of June, 1945.

Register

EUNICE NEWCOMB,

COMPLAINANT,

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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:

The Complainant, Eunice Newcomb, humbly complaining against the Respondent, H. O. Newcomb, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

l.

That your Complainant is over twenty-one years of age, a non resident of the State of Alabama, her address being Bay Springs, Mississippi;

2.

That the Respondent, H. O. Newcomb, is over twenty-one years of age, a non resident of the State of Alabama, his address being Bay Springs, Mississippi; however, he is presently residing in Mobile County, Alabama, his address being 104-B 10th Street, Blakeley Island, Mobile, Alabama;

3.

That on to-wit, February 13, 1945, the Respondent filed his bill in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in equity, against the

the Complainant, alleging among other things, that the Complainant was a resident of the State of Alabama, and had been for 2 years before the filing of the bill of complaint, and residing in Baldwin County, Alabama; that the Complainant on, or about February 1, 1943, voluntarily abandoned the Respondent and had continued said abandonment to the present date, with total neglect of the marital covenant on her part;

4.

That on May 1, 1945, a decree was rendered by this Honorable Court, forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony between the Complainant and the Respondent;

5.

That the allegations contained in the original bill of complaint filed by the Respondent, against the Complainant, were wholly false; that the Respondent knew that they were false; that the Respondent was not at that time, and had never been a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, but was a resident of Bay Springs, Mississippi; that the Complainant was at the time the suit was filed, a bona fide resident of Bay Springs, Mississippi; that although the Respondent knew her address, it was not given and she was not served with notice as required by law; that the first knowledge she had of the proceeding by the Respondent was after the decree had been granted, when she was notified by the Respondent that he had secured a divorce;

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That the false statements contained in the original bill of complaint, by the Respondent, constituted a fraud-upon the complaint also upon the Court.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, your Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process, make the said H. O. Newcomb 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.

Complainant further prays that your Honor will, upon a final hearing hereof, enter a decree setting aside and hold for naught and void the decree rendered in favor of the Respondent and against the Complainant on May 1, 1945; that this Honorable Court will give and grant unto the Complainant 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: July See Solicitors for the Complainant.

The Respondent's address:

104-B 10th Street, Blakeley Island, Mobile, Alabama, or 112 Battle Street, Chickasaw, Mobile County, Alabama.

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STATE OF ALABAMA )
BALDWIN COUNTY )

Before me, H. M. Hall, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said state personally appeared Eunice Newcomb, who is known to me, and who having been by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the Complainant in the foregoing cause; that she is fully acquainted with the facts therein stated; that they are true.

Mrs. Eunice New comb.

of June, 1945. Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 12 day

Notary Public, Baldwin Co., Ala.

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EUNICE NEWCOMB, COMPLAINANT,

No anny H. O. NEWCOMB,

RESPONDENT.

Bill to set aside decree.

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VS

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RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

IN BQUITY.

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon the demurrers filed by the Respondent to the original bill of complainant.

It is the opinion of the court that the demurrers are not well taken, and should be over ruled.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the court that the demurrers filed by the Respondent to the origina bill of complaint be and the same are hereby over ruled.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Respondent be and he is hereby given twenty days in which to file further pleadings if he sees fit.

Dated at Eay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, this the 30 day of September, 1946.

Judge

EUNICE NEWCOMB

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This cause coming on to be heard is submitted, for final decree, upon the original bill of Complaint, and the pleadings and proof as noted by the Register.

The Court, after considering and understanding the matter, is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for, and that the decree rendered by this courtin the case of H. O. Newcomb as Complainant vs Eunice Newcomb as Respondent, should be set aside.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, by the Court, that the decree of divorce heretofore granted by this Court in the case of H. O. Newcomb as Complainant vs Eunice Newcomb, as Respondent, on May 1, 1945, being cause no 1277, be and the same hereby is set aside, and declared void and of no effect.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court, that the Reffective pay the costs of this cause, for which execution may issue.

Dated this the 30th day of September, 1947.

JUDGE

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