

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

ALMA STEWART

Complainant

VS.

GEORGE STEWART

Respondent

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

on Answer and 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 Alma Stewart

is forever divorced from the said George Stewart

for and on account of Cruelty

It is further ordered that the said Alma Stewart be given the right to resume her maiden name, Alma Bryant.

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 Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 1st day of March, 1945

*F. W. Hall*

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**

Filed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 194\_\_\_\_

Register

ALMA STEWART

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vs.

GEORGE STEWART

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, and testimony of Alma Stewart.

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

*R. R. [Signature]*

Register.

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**The State of Alabama**  
BALDWIN COUNTY

**IN EQUITY**  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

vs.

**NOTE OF TESTIMONY**

Filed in Open Court this 22

day of July 1955

*R. DeLoach*

REGISTER

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama  
(In Equity)

ALMA STEWART

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Respondent

I, Lillian Patterson

as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Alma Stewart

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 20th day of February 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 Alma Stewart doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Alma Stewart. I am over 18 years of age, and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. The Respondent is over 21 years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama.

The Respondent and I married at Bay Minette, Alabama, on June 24th, 1944, and lived together as husband and wife until October 18, 1944.

The Respondent on October 18th, 1944, and at various times prior thereto, cursed, threatened and abused me, and often threatened to do 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 believe, 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 conditions are such that it is absolutely impossible for us to live together as husband and wife.

We have no property, and also have no children.

Alma Stewart.

**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 H. 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 20th day of February, 1945.

Lillian Patterson (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

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Respondent.

**Oral Deposition**

Filed 2-22, 1945

P. R. Dwyer, Register.

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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 Alma Stewart

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

Complainant  
and George Stewart

Defendant,  
on oath to be by you administered, upon Alma Stewart

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

Witness 22 day of Feb, 1940  
[Signature]

REGISTER

Commissioner's Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Fees, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

Complainant \_\_\_\_\_

vs.

Defendant \_\_\_\_\_

**Commission To Take Deposition**

COMMISSIONER:

Witnesses:



STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

WE COMMAND YOU that you summon GEORGE STEWART 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 Alma Stewart, against the said George Stewart, 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 22 day of February, 1945.

  
Register

ALMA STEWART  
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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:

Now comes your Complainant, Alma Stewart, and humbly complaining against the Respondent, George Stewart, respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That your Complainant and the Respondent are both bona fide residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, <sup>that Complainant</sup> ~~is~~ over eighteen years of age; that the Respondent is over twenty-one years of age;

2.

That your Complainant and the Respondent were married at Bay Minette, Alabama, on June 24, 1944, and lived together as husband and wife until October 18, 1944;

3.

That on October 18, 1944, and at various times prior thereto, the Respondent cursed, threatened and abused the Complainant and often threatened to do 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, Complainant prays that your Honor will, by proper process, make the said George Stewart 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.

Complainant further prays that upon a final hearing hereof, your Honor will enter an order and decree granting to the Complainant 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: 

Solicitors for the Complainant

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SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

*Filed Feb 22 1945*  
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ANSWER AND WAIVER

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