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GERTRUDE ALEXANDER
COMPLAINANT
VS
BELLE TERRY, ET AL
RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted for final decree upon the pleadings, decree pro confesso, and the proof as noted by the Register, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the Complainant is the owner of, and in the actual and peaceable possession of the lands hereinafter described, and each and every parcel thereof, and that the title of the Complainant has been duly, legally and justly proven by legal and competent evidence; the Court is of the opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the Respondent's BELLE TERRY, H. B. MCGILL, and the unknown heirs, devisees and personal Representatives of JACOB BAPTISTE and Wm. DeForest HOLLY and any and all other Persons, Firms or Corporations, claiming any title to interest in, lien or encumbrances upon said land, or any part or parcel thereof, have no estate, right, title, claim, interest in or encumbrances upon the following described land or any part or parcel thereof in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Commence at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 south, Range 2 East, running thence East 585 feet to a point, the place of beginning, thence East 171 feet to a point, thence Northwardly 1160 feet more or less to the margin of Bon Secour Bay, thence Westwardly along the margin of said Bay 170 feet, thence Southwardly 1120 feet more or less to the point of beginning, being lot number 4 in the division of the estate of Wm. Ewing, deceased, as of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 13 NS, pages 530-2.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, That the full fee simple title to the said land, in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

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less to the point of beginning, being lot number 4 in the division of the estate of Wm. Ewing, deceased, as of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 13 NS, pages 530-2;

is vested absolutely in the Complainant, GERTRUDE ALEXANDER.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that a certified copy of this decree be recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in the direct index in the names of BELLE TERRY, H. B. MCGILL, the unknown heirs, devisees and personal representatives of JACOB BAPTISTE and Wm. De FOREST HCLLY, and in the indirect index in the name of GERTRUDE ALEXANDER.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the Register of this Court shall within thirty days from the rendition of this decree, file a certified copy hereof in the office of the Judge of Probate in Baldwin County, Alabama, for record, and that the cost thereof be taxed in the cost of this cause.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Complainant pay the cost of this cause for which execution may issue.

Done at Monroeville, Monroe County, Alabama, on this the 23rd day of March, 1946.

F. W. Hare
Judge, 21st, Judicial Circuit.

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GERTRUDE ALEXANDER

VS

BEEBE E. TERRY, ET AL

FINAL DECREE

Handwritten signature and date: 15 September 1946

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The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.
No. 1364 Sept. Term, 1945..

~~W. S. Terry~~ W. S. Alexander Complainant..

vs. Belle Terry et als Defendant..

In this cause it appears to the Register R. S. Duck that the order of publi-
cation heretofore made in this cause, was published for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the
12th day of July, 1945, in the Baldwin Times

a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Alabama, that a copy of said order was posted
at the Court House door in Baldwin County, on the 11th day of
July 1945, and

And it now further appearing to the Register R. S. Duck , that the said

Respondents

having to the date hereof failed to demur, plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause, it
is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant, ordered and decreed by the Register
R. S. Duck that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things
taken as confessed against the said them

This 10th day of Sept. 1945

R. S. Duck
Register.

The State of Alabama,

Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 1364

Sept. Term, 1925.

~~W. S. Alexander~~ W. S. Alexander

Complainant.

vs. Belle Perry et als

Defendant.

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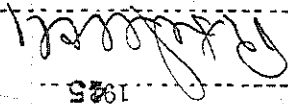
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The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

W.S. Alexander

vs.

Belle Ferry et al.

DECREE PRO CONFESSO
OF PUBLICATION

Issued Sept. 20th 1945.

W.S. Alexander
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Moore Printing Company, Bay Minette, Ala.

S. W. ALEXANDER

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BELLE TERRY, ET AL

RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

TO HON. R. S. DUCK, REGISTER OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
IN EQUITY.

The Complainant wishes to take, orally, the testimony on behalf of
the Complainant, of the following witnesses:

Gertrude Alexander, Fairhope, Alabama
Carl L. Bloxham, Fairhope, Alabama.

IT IS HEREBY REQUESTED that you give proper and legal notice and
that Edna Rodgers, being duly appointed as Special Commissioner, to take the
testimony of the witnesses and that due and legal notice of said appointment
be given as required by law.

Dated this the 14th day of March, 1946.

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By: *J. L. Lee*

Solicitors for the Complainant.

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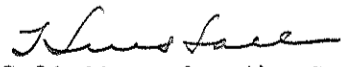
IN EQUITY

NOTICE OF TESTIMONY.

This cause is submitted on behalf of the Complainant upon the following:

1. Original Summons and Complaint.
2. Decree Pro Confesso on publication.
3. Decree Pro Confesso on personal service.
4. Lis Pendens notice.
5. Amendment by substitution, of Gertrude Alexander as Complainant.
6. Request for appointment of Commissioner.
7. Request for taking testimony.
8. Notice of time taking testimony on behalf of Complainant.
9. Proof of publication of notice in Baldwin Times.
10. Appointment of Commissioner.
11. Testimony of Gertrude Alexander.
12. Testimony of Carl L. Bloxham


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Solicitors for the Complainant.

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S. W. ALEXANDER

COMPLAINANT

VS.

BELLE TERRY, ET AL

RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN EQUITY

Notice is hereby given that the Complainant will on the 18th day of March, 1946, before EDNA RODGERS, a Special Commissioner, take the testimony orally of the following witnesses on behalf of the Complainant:

Gertrude Alexander, Fairhope, Alabama.

Carl L. Bloxham, Fairhope, Alabama.

Dated this the 14th day of March, 1946.

Edna Rodgers
Special Commissioner

BEER & HALL

By: *Wm. Lee*
Solicitors for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
BALDWIN COUNTY

No. 1364 Circuit Court, In Equity.

W.S. Alexander

Complainant

Vs.

Belle Terry et al.

Defendant

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against H.B. McGill and Belle Terry

~~Respondents~~

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 according to law, and that said Defendant ha failed to demur, plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause to this date.

This 1st day of Oct. 19 45

Belle K. Hall
by H. W. Hall

Solicitor.

The State of Alabama,
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

W.S. Alexander

Vs.

Belle Terry et al.

Motion for Decree Pro Confesso on
Personal Service

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

GERTRUDE ALEXANDER

Complainant

VS.

BELLE E. TERRY, ET AL

Respondent

I, EDNA FODGERS

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me GERTRUDE ALEXANDER

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 13 day of March 1946, 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 GERTRUDE ALEXANDER doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Gertrude Alexander. I am over twenty-one years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. I am the Complainant, by amendment, in the cause now pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama in equity, wherein Belle Terry et al and the following described land in Baldwin County, Alabama are Respondent's.

Commence at the Southwest corner of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 south, Range 2 East, running thence east 585 feet to a point, the place of beginning, thence east 171 feet to a point, thence Northwardly 1160 feet more or less to the margin of Bon Secour Bay, thence Westwardly along the margin of said Bay 170 feet, thence Southwardly 1120 feet more or less to the point of beginning, being lot Number 4 in the division of the estate of Wm. Ewing, deceased, as of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 13 N S, Pages 530-2.

S. W. Alexander, the Complainant in the original cause, since the filing thereof, has died intestate leaving surviving him as his sole and only heirs and next of kin the following: Gertrude Alexander, Edith A. Atkins, Opal A. Brummit, William P. Alexander, Robert W. Alexander, Joe M. Alexander, Jewel G. Mann, and Mary Gardner. That all of said heirs have recently conveyed all their interest in and to said property to Gertrude Alexander by deed dated December 11, 1945, and of record in the office of the Probate Judge in Baldwin County, Alabama, in deed book 102 NS 374-5; that said deed is hereto attached and marked Exhibit 'A' and offered as evidence on behalf of the Complainant.

I am now the owner in fee simple and in the actual possession of the land described in the original bill of Complaint in this cause. There is no suit pending to test my title to interest in or rights of possession to said land.

A careful inquiry and examination has been made to find out the names of the heirs and next of kin of Jacob Baptiste and William DeForest Holly, but they are unknown.

S. W. Alexander, the original Complainant in this cause and through whom I hold title or acquired title to the said property by deed from John Terry and Victorine Terry, his wife, dated October 4, 1938 and of record in the office of the Probate Judge in Baldwin County, Alabama in Deed book 67 NS 115-16; that said deed is hereto attached marked as Exhibit 'B' and offered as evidence for the Complainant.

The title to the said land now stands upon the records in Baldwin County, Alabama in my name, Gertrude Alexander.

No one has at any time within ten years next preceeding the filing of this Bill of Complaint, paid any taxes upon or had any possession of said land or any part thereof except me, S. W. Alexander, John Terry and Victorine Terry.

The only persons to claim any interest in said lands or any parts thereof are: Gertrude Alexander, Belle Terry and H. B. McGill, and the unknown heirs of Jacob Baptiste and William De Forest Holly.

My husband, S. W. Alexander now deceased, immediately upon purchasing said land, went into the actual possession thereof, and remained in such possession until the time of his death, that upon his death I went into possession thereof and have remained until this time; that no person, firm or corporation has exercised or attempted to exercise any rights or possession adversely, to said land during the time I and my husband have owned them.

Mrs Alexander

Gertrude Alexander

Carl Bloxham, a witness for the Complainant, being first duly sworn deposes and says.

My name is Carl Bloxham. I live at Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama, where I am in the Real Estate Business.

I, at the request of S. W. Alexander, made inquire as to the heirs of Jacob Baptiste and William De Forest Holly. They are unknown. I inquired of parties in and around Shellbank, Fairhope, Foley and Bay Minette. From all information obtainable, if there are any living heirs they are non residents of the state of Alabama and over twenty-one years of age. I have known the property involved for a number of years and have at no time known or heard of any one exercising any rights of possession adverse to that of the Complainant and of those whom she claims.

Carl Bloxham

Carl L Bloxham

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

vs. Complainant

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

Filed March 21, 1944

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, Register.

Edna Rodgers
(L.S.)

I, EDNA RODGERS, 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 F. 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 18 day of March 1944.

ORAL EXAMINATION.

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STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA - GREETINGS:

WE COMMAND YOU that you summon BELLE TERRY, H. B. MCGILL, and the unknown heirs, devisees and personal representatives of JACOB BAPTISTE, and Wm. DE FOREST HOLLY, and against any and all persons, firms, or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance upon the said land or any part or parcel thereof, 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 S. W. ALEXANDER, against the said Belle Terry, H. B. McGill, and the unknown heirs, devisees, and personal representatives of Jacob Baptiste, and Wm. De Forest Holly, and against any and all persons, firms, or corporations claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance upon the said land or any part or parcel thereof, and further to do and perform what the said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf, and this the Respondents shall in no wise omit under penalties 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 11 day of July, 1945.


Register

S. W. ALEXANDER,
COMPLAINANT,
VS.
BELLE TERRY, et al,
RESPONDENTS.

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

Comes your Complainant, S. W. Alexander, and presents this his bill of complaint against the following described lands in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Commence at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, running thence East 585 feet to a point, the place of beginning, thence East 171 feet to a point, thence Northwardly 1160 feet more or less to the margin of Bon Secour Bay, thence Westwardly along the margin of said Bay 170 feet, thence Southwardly 1120 feet more or less to the point of beginning, being lot number 4 in the division of the estate of Wm. Ewing, deceased, as of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 13 NS, pages 530-2;

and also against Belle Terry, H. B. McGill and the unknown heirs, devisees and personal representatives of Jacob Baptiste and Wm. De Forest Holly, and against any and all persons, firms or corporations claiming any title to,

interest in, lien or encumbrance upon the said land or any part or parcel thereof, and respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1. That your Complainant is over twenty-one years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama;

2. That Belle Terry is over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Mobile, Alabama, her address being 52 Lafayette Street; that H. B. McGill is over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Perdido, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the heirs and next of kin of Jacob Baptiste and Wm. De Forest Holly are unknown; that a diligent search and inquiry has been made to find out their names and addresses but they are unknown;

3. That your Complainant is the owner in fee simple and in the actual possession of the lands described herein in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Commence at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, running thence East 585 feet to a point, thence Northwardly 1160 feet more or less to the margin of Bon Secour Bay, thence Westwardly along the margin of said Bay 170 feet, thence Southwardly 1120 feet more or less to the point of beginning, being lot number 4 in the division of the estate of Wm. Ewing, deceased, as of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 13 NS, pages 530-2;

4. That there is no suit pending to test the Complainant's title to, interest in, or rights to possession of said lands;

5. That your Complainant obtained title to said lands by deed from John Terry and Victorine Terry, his wife, dated October 4, 1938, and of record in the office of the Probate Judge of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 67 NS, pages 115-16;

6. That the title to said lands claimed by the Complainant stands upon the records of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in the name of S. W. Alexander;

7. That no one has at anytime within 10 years next preceding the filing of this bill of complaint, paid any taxes upon or had any possession of said lands, or any part thereon, except S. W. Alexander, and those through whom he claims by mesne conveyance, to-wit: John Terry and Victorine Terry, his wife;

8. That the only persons known by your Complainant to claim said

lands, or any part thereof, or any interest therein, are; S. W. Alexander, your Complainant, Belle Terry, the unknown heirs of Jacob Baptiste, and the unknown heirs of Wm. De Forest Holly and H. B. McGill; that a diligent search and inquiry has been made in the vicinity in which the said lands lie, and also from the records at Bay Minette, to ascertain the present names and addresses of those alleged to be unknown but that they cannot be ascertained.

WHEREFORE, your Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process, make the said Belle Terry, H. B. McGill, the unknown heirs of Jacob Baptiste, and the unknown heirs of Wm. De Forest Holly, and each of them, and the unknown heirs, devisees, and personal representatives of them, and any other person, firm or corporation claiming any right, title to, interest in, or encumbrance upon the said land in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

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or any part thereof, to be made parties Respondents to this bill of complaint, and by appropriate process require them and each of them, separately and severally, 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 of this cause, this Honorable Court will make and enter a decree, ascertaining and decreeing that the fee simple title, free of encumbrance, to the said lands and to each part and parcel thereof, is vested in your Complainant, S. W. Alexander; and that neither Belle Terry, H. B. McGill, the unknown heirs of Jacob Baptiste, the unknown heirs of Wm. De Forest Holly, nor any other person, firm, or corporation have any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance upon said land, or any part thereof; and that any and all doubts and disputes concerning the same be cleared up.

Your Complainant prays for such other, further, different, or general relief as in equity and good conscience he may be entitled to receive.

BEEBE & HALL

By: *[Signature]*
Solicitors for the Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Before me the undersigned authority in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared Hubert M. Hall, who is known to me, and who having been by me first duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is a member of the firm of Beebe & Hall, Solicitors of record for the Complainant, S. W. Alexander, and duly authorized to make this affidavit, and that the facts stated in the foregoing bill of complaint, from all information obtainable, are true, and from such information obtained, he verily states that the same are true.

Hubert M Hall

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 9 day of July,
1945.

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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available sources, and that he believes to be true and correct.
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W. H. HOLLOWAY

to and endorsed hereon as on this the day of July,

in any public, judicial, or other place.

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S. W. ALEXANDER,
COMPLAINANT,

VS.

BILLY TERRY, et al,
RESPONDENTS.

SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

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D. B. Sammett
Deputy Sheriff

S. W. ALEXANDER,
 COMPLAINANT,
 VS.
 BELLE TERRY, et al,
 RESPONDENTS.

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

It having been made to appear in the above cause by the affidavit of Hubert M. Hall, that Belle Terry is a resident of Mobile, Alabama, H. B. McGill is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that the heirs, devisees and personal representatives of Jacob Baptiste and Wm. De Forest Holly, are unknown; that S. W. Alexander owns in fee simple, the following described lands in Baldwin County, Alabama:

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having acquired the same by purchase from John Terry and wife, by deed dated October 4, 1938, and of record in the office of the Probate Judge of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 67 NS, pages 115-16; that the title to said lands stands upon the records in the Probate Office of Baldwin County, Alabama, in the name of S. W. Alexander; that no person is known to have paid taxes on said land, or to have been in possession thereof within 10 years next preceding the filing of this bill of complaint, except S. W. Alexander and those through whom he holds by mesne conveyance.

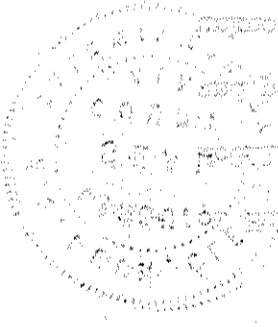
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED and notice is hereby given that said Respondents, Belle Terry, H. B. McGill, the unknown heirs of Jacob Baptiste, the unknown heirs of Wm. De Forest Holly, and any other person, firm, or corporation claiming any title to, interest in, lien or encumbrance upon the said land herein described, or any part thereof, appear in this Court and plead, answer or demur to this bill of complaint, on or before the 13th day of August, 1945, or upon their having failed to do so upon the expiration of 30 days from said

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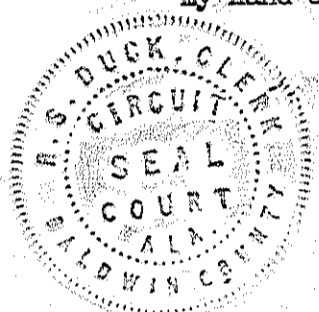
IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I have hereunto set my hand and
the seal of said Court at Santa Clara,
California, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

CLERK OF COURT

date, this cause shall be at issue.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order and notice be published in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for 4 successive weeks.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, R. S. Duck, as Register, have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 11th day of July, 1945.



R. S. Duck
Register, Circuit Court,
Baldwin County, Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

I, R. S. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, hereby certify that the above is a full, true and correct, and complete copy of notice given by publication in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, Alabama, in the cause of S. W. Alexander, Complainant, vs. Belle Terry, et al, Respondents, and filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, the County in which said lands lie, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Alabama.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office on this the 11th day of July, 1945.

R. S. Duck
Register, Circuit Court,
Baldwin County, Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY
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and I certify that the following Deed Tax has been paid.
Deed Tax _____

Mortgage Tax _____
W. H. Stewart
Judge of Probate

By _____

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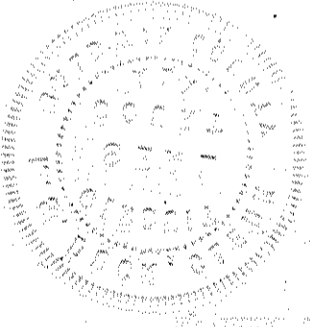
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JANUARY 1, 1945
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Mississippi, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears on the records of the said Court.

WITNESSED my hand and the seal of the said Court at the City of Jackson, Mississippi, this 1st day of January, 1945.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Court at the City of Jackson, Mississippi, this 1st day of January, 1945.

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EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

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Legal Notices

S. W. ALEXANDER, Complainant,
vs.
BELLE TERRY, et al. Respondents.
In the Circuit Court of
Baldwin County, Alabama
In Equity

It having been made to appear in the above cause by the affidavit of Hubert M. Hall, that Belle Terry is a resident of Mobile, Alabama, H. B. McGill is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that their heirs, devisees and personal representatives of Jacob Baptiste and Wm. De Forest Holly, are unknown; that S. W. Alexander owns in fee simple, the following described lands in Baldwin County, Alabama:

Commence at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, running thence East 585 feet to a point, the place of beginning, thence East 171 feet to point, thence Northwardly 1160 feet more or less to the margin of Bon Secour Bay, thence Westwardly along the margin of said Bay 170 feet, thence Southwardly 1120 feet more or less to the point of beginning, being lot Number 4 in the division of the estate of Wm. Ewing, deceased, as of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 13 N S, pages 530-2.

Having acquired the same by purchase from John Terry and wife, by deed dated October 4, 1938, and of record in the office of the Probate Judge of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Deed Book 67 NS, pages 115-16; that the title to said lands stands upon the records in the Probate Office of Baldwin County, Alabama, in the name of S. W. Alexander; that no person is known to have paid taxes on said land, known have been in possession thereof to within 10 years next preceding the filing of this bill of complaint, except S. W. Alexander and those through whom he holds by mesne conveyance.

THEREFORE ORDERED and IT is hereby given that said Respondents, Belle Terry, H. B. McGill, the unknown heirs of Jacob Baptiste, the unknown heirs of Wm. De Forest

Holly, and any other person, firm, or corporation claiming any title to, interest in lien or encumbrance upon the said land herein described, or any part thereof, appear in this Court and plead answer or demur to this bill of complaint, on or before the 15th day of August, 1945, or upon their having failed to do so upon the expiration of 30 days from said date, this cause shall be at issue.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order and notice be published in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama once a week for 4 successive weeks.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, R. S. Duck, as Register, have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 15th day of July, 1945.

R. S. DUCK, Register.
Circuit Court, Baldwin County,
Alabama.

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look, being duly sworn, deposes and says of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published in Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of

COST STATEMENT

484 WORDS @ 4 1/2 cents \$ 21.78

I hereby certify this is correct, due and unpaid (paid).

Ford Look
Publisher.

Was published in said newspaper for 4 consecutive weeks in the following issues:

Date of 1st publication July 12, 1945 Vol. 56 No. 24
Date of 2nd publication July 19, 1945 Vol. 56 No. 25
Date of 3rd publication July 27, 1945 Vol. 56 No. 26
Date of 4th publication August 2, 1945 Vol. 56 No. 27

Subscribed and sworn before the undersigned this _____ day of _____ 1945.

Notary Public, Baldwin County.

Ford Look
Publisher.

S. W. ALEXANDER
Complainant

vs

BELLE TERRY, et al
Respondent

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

Now comes GERTRUDE ALEXANDER, and respectfully represents and shows unto this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That since the filing of suit in the above cause, the Complainant, S. W. ALEXANDER has died; that he left surviving him as his sole and only heirs and next of kin the following: GERTRUDE ALEXANDER, his widow and the following sisters and brothers: EDITH A. ATKINS, OPAL A. BRUMMITT, WILLIAM P. ALEXANDER, ROBERT W. ALEXANDER, JOE M. ALEXANDER, JEWEL G. MANN, and MARY GARDNER: that the said S. W. ALEXANDER died intestate:

2.

That the said sisters and brothers of S. W. ALEXANDER, deceased, by instrument dated December 11, 1945, of record in the office of the Probate Judge in Baldwin County, Alabama in Deed Book 102 NS pages 374-5, conveyed to GERTRUDE ALEXANDER all of their interest in the property described in the original Bill of Complaint in this cause.

WHEREFORE, the said GERTRUDE ALEXANDER, by leave of the court now prays to amend the original Bill of Complaint by substituting in lieu of the original Complainant, S. W. ALEXANDER, her name, GERTRUDE ALEXANDER, as Complainant.

Dated this the 14th day of February, 1946.

X Gertrude Alexander

BEEBE & HALL

By: [Signature]
Solicitors for Complainant

TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON

RECEIVED
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IN RE: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Amendment

Filed May 14, 1946

*Richard
Rogers*

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W.S. Alexander
Complainant,
Vs. Belle Terry et al.
Respondent.

In the Circuit Court.
In Equity No. _____.

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON PERSONAL SERVICE.

In this cause, it appears to the Register, that service was had on the Respondent _____

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ H B. McGill July 30th 1945


~~xxxx~~ and Belle Terry August 29th 1945

by the Sheriff of Baldwin County
of Mobile County, on the _____ day of _____,
1945.

And it further appears to the Register, that the said H B. McGill and
Belle Terry

_____, the Respondent-s, having to the date hereof,
failed to plead, demur to or answer the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause, it is now, therefore,
on motion of Beebe Y Hall, _____ Solicitors
for Complainant, ordered, and decreed by the Register that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be,
and it hereby is, in all things taken as confessed against the said H.B. McGill
and Belle Terry

This 1st day of Oct, 1945.


Register.

No. 1364

CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY,
ALABAMA.
IN EQUITY

W.S. Alexander

Complainant,

Vs.

Belle Terry et als

Respondent.

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON
PERSONAL SERVICE.

Issued this 1st day of Oct

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W. R. STUART
PROBATE JUDGE

No. 1436

Bay Minette, Ala., July 11, 1945

Received of R. S. Duck

No.	Deed Tax		Mortgage Tax		Recording Fees		Total	
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<u>Lis Pendens</u>								
<u>S. W. Alexander</u>								
<u>Belle Terry et al</u>					<u>1</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>15</u>

FOR RECORD

W. R. Stuart
Judge of Probate.

TOTAL \$

I certify that the within is a true and correct Bill of Costs in the within styled cause.

ATTEST: _____

Register Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Ala.

Received payment this _____ day of _____ 194_____

ATTEST: _____

Register Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Ala.

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The State of Alabama,
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT

vs. Plaintiff _____

Defendant _____

EQUITY COST BILL

Term, 19_____

Fee Book _____, Page _____

Plaintiff's Attorney.

Defendant's Attorney.

Moore Printing Co., Jay, Alabama, Ala.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

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No. ----- ~~xxxx~~ Sept., Term, 1935

W S. Alexander

Complainant

Vs.

Belle Terry et al.

Defendant

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against the Respondents named

in the order of Publication.

xxxxx
Defendant

in the annexed stated cause, on the ground that more than thirty days have elapsed since the perfection of publication was made under the order of this Court; and it having been shown by due proof to the Court that said Defendant is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and has failed to answer, plead or demur to the Bill in this cause, to the date hereof.

This 10th day of Sept. 1935

Beebe
by W. H. H. H. H.

Solicitor.

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State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

W. S. Alexander

Complainant

Vs.

Belle Terry et al.

Defendant

Motion for Decree Pro Confesso
On Publication.

Filed Sept. 10th, 1935.



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