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

JESSIE WILLIS

Complainant

VS.

LUCILLE WILLIS

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 here-
tofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved,
and that the said Jessie Willis

is forever divorced from the said Lucille Willis

for and on account of Adultery.

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

This 25 day of Sept, 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

Filed this _____ day of

_____, 194____

Register

That in June, 1945, and at times prior thereto, the Respondent committed acts of adultery with men whose names are not known to the Complainant; that said acts of adultery were without the consent or approval of the Complainant and that he has not condoned the said acts.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process, make the said Lucille Willis party Respondent to this cause of action, requiring her 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 the hearing hereof, enter an order and decree, granting to him an absolute decree of divorce, forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between him and the Respondent; Complainant prays for such other, further, different, or general relief as he may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive, and as in duty bound he will ever pray.

BEEBE & HALL

By: *J. S. Lee*
Solicitors for the Complainant.

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JESSIE WILLIS,
COMPLAINANT,
VS.
LUCILLE WILLIS,
RESPONDENT.

SUMMONS & COMPLAINT

Filed Sept 24 1945
P. H. [Signature]
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JESSIE WILLIS,
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RESPONDENT.

ANSWER AND WAIVER

July 24, 1945
P. J. [Signature]



THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

JESSIE WILLIS Complainant

VS.

LUCILLE WILLIS Respondent

I, Lillian Patterson
as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner _____
have called and caused to come before me Jessie Willis

witness _____ named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 24th day of September
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 Jessie Willis
_____ doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Jessie Willis. I am a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and over twenty-one years of age. I have been a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, all my life. The Respondent, Lucille Willis is over twenty-one years of age, a non resident of the State of Alabama, her address being 780 Nixon Street, Biloxi, Miss.

The Respondent and I married at Loxley, Alabama, in November 1939. We lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, until this past June, 1945.

I am a worker in the Church, being a Deacon of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Loxley, Alabama. The Respondent, I learned after our marriage, was a woman of the world, and she drank quite a bit and played around with other men. This naturally affected my standing in the Church and with the congregation and the community. I was not satisfied that she was playing around with other men until in June of this year, however, I had suspicioned it many times. Immediately I learned that she was playing around and committing acts of adultery which was generally known in the community, I quit her and have refused and will not live with her. The said acts were without my consent, or approval and I have not condoned them. Being a religious man, I tried to ignore the reports and overlook the conduct of the Respondent, however, it became so generally known that my eyes were opened to the fact that she was living an improper life. We have no children. I have been working with Mr. Windbigler, who is in the Nursery business at Loxley, Alabama, for the past 13 years. Mr. Windbigler talked with me about the conduct of my wife, which was just more than I could put up with and I feel that her conduct was affecting my standing with Mr. Windbigler. Mr. Windbigler also advised me as to the fact that my wife was playing around, which necessarily opened my eyes.

Jessie Willis

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 him and he 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 24th day of September, 1945.

Lillian Patterson (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Pattler
vs.
Pattler
Complainant

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

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Pattler, 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 Jessie Willis

as witnesses in behalf of the Complainant in a cause pending in our Circuit Court of Baldwin County, of said State, wherein Jessie Willis

Lucille Willis Complainant
and

Defendant,
on oath to be by you administered, upon Jessie Willis

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

Witness 24 day of Sept, 1945
R. J. [Signature]

REGISTER

Commissioner's Fee \$ _____

Witness' Fees, \$ _____

NO. 1411

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

Complainant

vs.

Defendant

Commission To Take Deposition

COMMISSIONER:

Witnesses:

JESSIE WILLIS,

COMPLAINANT,

VS.

LUCILLE WILLIS,

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 Jessie Willis.

and in behalf of Defendant upon _____

R. Deuel

Register.

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

Wills

VS.

Wills

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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