

The State of Alabama, }
Baldwin County.

No. 795.

Circuit Court, in Equity.

Percy Hamilton

Complainant

vs.

Ethel Hamilton,

Defendant

This cause, coming on to be heard at this Term, was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, decree pro confesso and the testimony as noted by the Register; and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of 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 the Complainant is forever divorced from the Defendant.

on account of adultery of Ethel Hamilton with one Eugene Anderson,

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It further ordered, that the said Percy Hamilton be, and he is hereby permitted to again contract marriage, upon the payment of the costs of Court in this cause.

It is further ordered, that the said Percy Hamilton, pay the costs herein taxed, for which execution may issue, and if such execution is returned "no property found," then execution for such costs may issue against the said Ethel Hamilton,

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said Percy Hamilton, shall not again marry except to said Ethel Hamilton, until sixty days after this date, and that if an appeal is taken within sixty days he shall not marry again except to said Ethel Hamilton,

..... during the said pendency of appeal

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.....

This 18th day of March 192⁹

G. W. Hare
Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County.

STATE OF ALABAMA, }
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court, in Equity.

I, _____ Register of said Circuit Court of said County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above is a full, true and correct copy of the decree rendered by said Court on the _____ day of _____ 192____, in the cause of _____

Complainant

vs.

Defendant

as appears of record in said Court.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this the _____ day of _____ 192____

Register

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NO. 795

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY,
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA.

Percy Hamilton

vs.

Ethel Hamilton.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

Filed in office this *22nd*

day of *March*, 192*9*.

J. W. Dickerson

Register.

E. O. M.

Moore Printing Co. Bay Minette, Ala.

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT.

Moore Ptg. Co—Bay Minette.

Cora Petty

 No. 795

 vs.
 L.A. Petty,

The State of Alabama,
 Baldwin _____ County.

 Circuit Court, in Equity.
 This the 21st day of
 February, 1929

In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of
 S.C. Jenkins Atty for Complainant.

that the Defendant L.A. Petty

is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and when last heard from was in
 the State of Texas,

and further, that, in the belief of said Affiant.... the Defendant is
 over the age of 21
 years; it is, therefore, ordered that publication be made in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper publish-
 ed in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring
 the said L.A. Petty

to answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 23rd day of
 March 1929, or after thirty days therefrom a decree Pro Confesso may be
 taken against the said L.A. Petty,

Hon. S.C. Jenkins
 Atty for Complainant.

[Signature]
 Register.

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

L.A. Petty

of Denison, Texas, & County to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by

Cora Petty

against said L.A. Petty.

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, T. W. Richerson, Register of said Circuit Court, this 2nd day of February 1929.

T. W. Richerson Register

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.

SERVE ON

Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No. _____

SUMMONS

Cora Petty

vs.

L.A. Petty

B.C. Jenkins,

Solicitor for Complainant

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

Received in office this _____

day of _____ 192 _____

Sheriff.

Executed this _____ day of _____

192 _____

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with _____

Defendant,

Sheriff.

By _____ Deputy Sheriff

*Feb 2nd 1929. Copy of
Summons & Copy of
Bill Registered Deft
at Division Texas*

*T. W. Williams
Register*

The State of Alabama, } Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
 Baldwin County. } (In Equity.)

..... Cora Petty Complainant.

VS.

..... L. A. Petty Respondent.

I T. W. Richerson

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Cora Petty, G. W. Petty, and
 William R. Gregory

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 27th day of April
 1929, at the office of T. W. Richerson

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said witnesses to speak the
 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Cora Petty

doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Cora Petty. I have been a bona fide
 resident citizen of the State of Alabama for three years and
 more next preceeding the filing of the Bill of Complaint in
 this cause. I am over twenty-one years of age, and live at
 Bay Minette, Alabama, and have resided here for the past two
 years.

L. A. Petty, the defendant in this cause, is over
 twenty-one years of age and is non-resident of this state. The
 last I heard of him, he was living at Denison, Texas.

L. A. Petty, and complainant, Cora Petty were married
 in Crenshaw County at Rutledge, Alabama, on or about, to-wit:
 February 13, 1917. At the time of our marriage we resided
 Luverne, in Crenshaw County, Alabama, and since that time we
 have resided in different places in said State. On to-wit:
 August 15, 1926, while we resided at Luverne, Alabama, in said
 Crenshaw County; the defendant, L. A. Petty, voluntarily, and

without any fault on my part, abandoned me, the complainant in... this cause, and without any lawful cause or good excuse on his part therefor, and that ever since said abandonment, he, the said L. A. Petty, has failed and refused to live with me. I have three children as the result of this marriage with the defendant, to-wit: Opal Petty, aged ten years; Hubert Petty, aged eight years; and Hobart Petty, aged five years, all of whom now live with me in Bay Minette, and whom I have to support. For the past sixteen months L. A. Petty, my husband, has not contributed anything to the support of these children or myself. I am now supporting them and expect to do so in the future.

Cora Petty

G. W. Petty, a witness for the defendant, who being duly sworn, testifies as follows: My name is G. W. Petty, and I reside at Bay Minette, Alabama. I know Cora Petty and L. A. Petty, and knew them about the time the separation occurred between them as man and wife. They were residing in Crenshaw County. I was up there on a visit at the time, and know that L. A. Petty abandoned Cora Petty. It was about July or August three years ago this coming summer, which was in the year 1926. He voluntarily left her. I was there when he left her, and he came off with me and went to his father's house, and he continued to reside at his father's house as long as I was there, and did not go back to live with Cora Petty. And this was without any fault on the part of Cora Petty that I know of. He had no lawful cause or good excuse for doing this that I know of. I have known Cora Petty and L. A. Petty about three years. I do not know where L. A. Petty resides now, but Cora Petty resides in Bay Minette, Alabama. She has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama for the last three years.

G. W. Petty

William R. Gregory, a witness for the Complainant, who being duly sworn, testifies as follows: I reside now in Bay Minette, and formerly lived in Crenshaw County, Alabama, and lived there when the said Cora Petty and L. A. Petty were married, to-wit: February 13, 1917. They are both over 21

years of age. L. A. Petty lived about three miles from me when he married the said Cora Petty, who was formerly Cora Styron. I do not know where L. A. Petty is residing now, but Cora is living at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama. She has been residing at Bay Minette for two years, and has been a bona fide resident of the State of Alabama for the past three years and more, before the filing of the Bill of Complaint in this cause. In the year 1926 I went up into Crenshaw County, about July 3rd, and stayed there until the 9th of September. While there I knew these parties, Cora Petty and L. A. Petty, and they separated while I was there. L. A. Petty abandoned Cora Petty. Since said abandonment he has never returned to live with her as husband and wife. I have lived within a mile and a half ^{of her} for the past two years. I have ~~xxx~~ visited her place and she has visited mine, and I know that L. A. Petty has not lived with her as man and wife for the past three years, since he abandoned her in Crenshaw County, August 15, 1926. He abandoned her voluntarily and without any fault on her part, and he had no lawful cause or good excuse for doing so. Since said abandonment of Cora Petty by L. A. Petty, the said L. A. Petty has failed and refused to live with her.

Wm. B. Gregory

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, T. W. Richerson, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition S on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness es and read over to me and they signed the same in the presense of myself and S. C. Jenkins at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness es or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness es; 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 27th day of April, 1929

T. W. Richerson (L. S.)

NO. 725 PAGE

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Cora Petty

vs. Complainant

L. A. Petty

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

Filed Apr 27, 1929

T. W. Richerson, Register.

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Register

To The Honorable Francis W. Hare, Judge of the Circuit Court of the
Twenty First Judicial Circuit, sitting in Equity at Bay Minette, Alabama,
in Baldwin County:

The Bill of Complaint of Cora Petty against L. A. Petty respectfully repre-
sents and shows unto your Honor as follows:

First. That your Oratrix and the defendant, the said L. A. Petty, were law-
fully married in Crenshaw County, Alabama, on or about, to wit, February 13,
1917 at Rutledge, Alabama, in said county; that the defendant, the said L. A.
Petty and your Oratrix are both of legal age; that your Oratrix is a resident
of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing at Bay Minette in said County and that
the defendant, the said L. A. Petty, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama
, residing, when last heard of, in the state of Texas at Denison, Texas.

Second. That your Oratrix and the defendant said L. A. Petty resided at Luverne
Alabama in Crenshaw county, at the time of their marriage, on to wit, February,
13th, 1917 and since that time have resided at different places in said state
; that on to wit, August 15th, 1926, while they were living and residing at
Luverne, Alabama in Crenshaw county, the said L. A. Petty, defendant aforesaid
did voluntarily, and without any fault on the part of your Oratrix, abandon
her, your Oratrix without any lawful cause or good excuse on his part there -
for and he has ever since said abandonment of your Oratrix failed and re -
fused to live with your Oratrix.

Third.
That your Oratrix has been a bona fide resident citizen of the state
of Alabama for three years and more next preceeding the filing of the Bill
of Complaint in this cause and is over the age of twenty one years.

Fourth. That the said L. A. Petty, the defendant aforesaid, has remained
away from your Oratrix at all times subsequent to his said abandonment of
your Oratrix, on to wit, August 15th, 1926 and that your Oratrix and the said
L. A. Petty have not cohabitated as man and wife since August, 15th, 1926 .

Wherefore, your Oratrix prays that your Honor will decree that the bonds of
matrimony heretofore existing between her and the said L A Petty be dissolved
and that your Oratrix be granted a decree of divorce from said L A Petty
and Oratrix prays for such other and further relief as in justice she may be
entitled to receive.



Solicitor for Complainant.

Foot Note:

Defendant, L. A. Petty, is required to answer the foregoing complaint
paragraphs from 1 to 4 inclusive, but an answer under oath is not required, his
answer thereto being expressly waived as to being under oath.



Solicitor for Complainant.

Filed Feb 2/1929.
D. W. Richardson
Register

The State of Alabama, } Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity.
Baldwin County.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

L.A. Petty

Denison, Texas, of ~~Denison~~ to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by

Cora Petty

against said L.A. Petty.

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, T. W. Richerson, Register of said Circuit Court, this 2nd day of

Feb 1927

T. W. Richerson Register

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.

SERVE ON _____

Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No. _____

SUMMONS

Cora Petty

vs.

L.A. Petty

S.C. Jenkins
Attorney for Complainant

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

Received in office this _____

day of _____ 192 _____

Sheriff.

Executed this _____ day of _____

192 _____

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with _____

Defendant,

Sheriff.

By _____

Deputy Sheriff.

BAY MINETTE, ALA. 4-1-29

M T.W. Richardson

THE BALDWIN TIMES

PUBLISHED IN THE LAND OF THE GOLDEN SATSUMA

J.C. Jenkins Atty

SUBSCRIPTION \$2.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE
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R. B. VAIL
EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR

BAY MINETTE, ALA.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County, Circuit Court, in Equity.

This the 21st day of February, 1929. Cora Petty, No. 795, vs., L. A. Petty. In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of S. C. Jenkins, Attorney for Complainant, that the Defendant L. A. Petty is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and when last heard from was in the State of Texas, and further, that, in the belief of said Affiant the Defendant is over the age of 21 years; it is, therefore, ordered that publication be made in the Baldwin Times.

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

R. B. Vail

_____ being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the PUBLISHER of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of _____

Cora Petty vs L A Petty

REMEMBER THAT WHEN YOU BR
LETTE YOU ARE HELPING THOSE
A BIGGER AND BETTER COMMUN

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

Date of first publication	<i>February 21 - 1929</i>	Vol. <i>40</i>	No. <i>3</i>
Date of second publication	<i>February 28 1929</i>	Vol. <i>40</i>	No. <i>40 (4)</i>
Date of third publication	<i>March 7 1929</i>	Vol. <i>40</i>	No. <i>5</i>
Date of fourth publication	<i>March 14 1929</i>	Vol. <i>40</i>	No. <i>6</i>

Subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned this 3 day of April 29, 1929.

D. W. Blum
Clerk Circuit Court

R. B. Vail
Publisher.

Cora Petty
L.A. Petty

Filed Apr 29/1929
T.M. Rice
Deputy

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8550 REQUEST FOR DECREE IN VACATION.

MOORE PTC CO.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 795 Spring Term, 1929

Cora Petty, Complainant...

vs.

L. A. Petty, Defendant...

To T. W. Richerson, Register:

In the above stated cause a Decree Pro Confesso having been taken against the Defendant, and evidence having been taken, and the cause being ready for submission for final decree, and no defense having been interposed, the Complainant, by S. C. Jenkins

Solicitor of record, now files with the Register of this Court this written request to deliver the papers in this cause to the Judge for final decree in vacation.

S. C. Jenkins
Solicitor for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Cora Petty

RECORDED

VS.

L. A. Petty

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN
VACATION

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Cora Petty

vs.

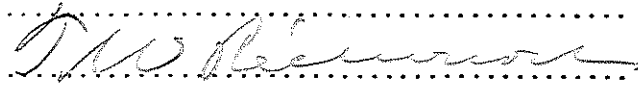
L. A. Petty

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,
decree pro confesso and testimony of Cora Petty, G. W. Petty,
and William R. Gregory

and in behalf of Defendant upon



Register.

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No. 795

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

Cora Petty

VS

L. A. Petty

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this

day of 192

Register

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 795- *Winter* Term, 1929

Wm. P. Patey

Complainant..

L. A. Patey

Defendant..

In this cause it appears to the Register *Wm. P. Patey* that the order of publication heretofore made in this cause, was published for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the

23 day of *March*, 1929, in the

a newspaper published in *Bayminette* Alabama, that a copy of said order was posted

at the Court House door in *Bayminette* County, on the *23* day of

April 1929, and

Wm. P. Patey

And it now further appearing to the Register *L. A. Patey*, that the said

L. A. Patey

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

that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said *L. A. Patey*

This *27* day of *April* 1929

Wm. P. Patey

Wm. P. Patey Register.

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**The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.**

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Gene Petty

vs.

Lee Petty

**DECREE PRO CONFESSO
OF PUBLICATION**

Issued Apr 24 1929

J. M. Williams
Register.

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Register:

Moore Printing Company, Bay Minette, Ala.

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The State of Alabama, }
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 795- Term Term, 1929.

Leora Petty

Complainants

vs.

L. A. Petty

Defendants

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against

L. A. Petty

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 23 day of Apr 1929

746 Code.

S. C. Jenkins

Solicitor.

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STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Bora Petty

Complainants.

Vs.

L A Petty

Defendants.

MOTION FOR DECREE PRO
CONFESSO ON PUBLICATION.

Filed Apr 28 1929

J. W. Riecken
Register.

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Cora Petty

Complainant

vs.

L.A. Petty

Defendant

IN EQUITY,
CIRCUIT COURT OF
Baldwin COUNTY.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County.

Personally appeared before me, T.W. Richerson, Register of said Court,

in and for said County and State, S.C. Jenkins,

Atty

~~at~~ of Complainant, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is informed and verily believes that

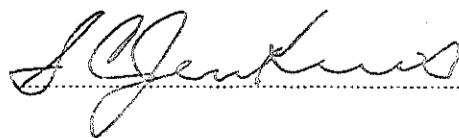
L.A. Petty

the Defendant in the above stated cause is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and the address of

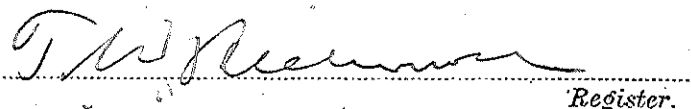
Defendant ~~is~~ residing when last heard ~~of~~ of

in the State of Texas at Denison Texas,

and that said Defendant ^{is} in belief of affiant, over twenty-one years of age.



Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2nd day of February 19 29.


Register.

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No.

AFFIDAVIT OF NON-RESIDENCE.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Lora Petty

vs.

L. A. Petty

Filed in office *2nd* day of

February 19*29*

T. W. Williams
Register.

The State of Alabama, } No. 795
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court, in Equity.

Cora Petty

Complainant

vs.

L. A. Petty

Defendant

This cause, coming on to be heard at this Term, was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, decree pro confesso and the testimony as noted by the Register; and upon consideration thereof, the Court is of 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 the Complainant is forever divorced from the Defendant.

on account of voluntary abandonment

It further ordered, that the said Cora Petty be, and she is hererby permitted to again contract marriage, upon the payment of the costs of Court in this cause.

It is further ordered, that the said Cora Petty pay the costs herein taxed, for which execution may issue, and if such execution is returned "no property found," then execution for such costs may issue against the said

L. A. Petty

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said Cora shall not again marry except to said L. A. Petty until sixty days after this date, and that if an appeal is taken within sixty days she shall not marry again except to said L. A. Petty

It is further ordered by the Court that Cora Petty have the care, custody and control of Opal Petty, aged 10 years, Hubert Petty, aged 8 years, and Hobart Petty, aged 5 years; the three children born of this marriage

This first day of May 1929

J. W. Hare
Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County.

STATE OF ALABAMA, }
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court, in Equity.

I, _____ Register of said Circuit Court of said County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above is a full, true and correct copy of the decree rendered by said Court on the _____ day of _____, 192____,

in the cause of _____

Complainant

vs.

Defendant

as appears of record in said Court,

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this the _____

day of _____ 192____

Register

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NO. 795

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY,
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA.

Cora Petty

vs.

L. AL Petty

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

Filed in office this 2nd
day of May, 1927
T. W. Stearns
Register.

E. O. M.

Moore Printing Co. Bay Minette, Ala.

To The Honorable Francis W. Hare, Judge of the Circuit Court of the Twenty First Judicial Circuit, sitting in Equity at Bay Minette, Alabama, in Baldwin County:

The Bill of Complaint of Cora Petty against L. A. Petty respectfully represents and shows unto your Honor as follows:

First. That your Oratrix and the defendant, the said L. A. Petty, were lawfully married in Crenshaw County, Alabama, on or about, to wit, February 13, 1917, at Rutledge, Alabama, in said county; that the defendant, the said L. A. Petty and your Oratrix are both of legal age; that your Oratrix is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing at Bay Minette in said County and that the defendant, the said L. A. Petty, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, residing when last heard of, in the state of Texas, at Denison, Texas.

Second. That your Oratrix and the defendant said L. A. Petty resided at Luverne Alabama in Crenshaw county, at the time of their marriage, on to wit, February, 13th, 1917 and since that time have resided at different places in said state; that on to wit, August 15th, 1926, while they were living and residing at Luverne, Alabama in Crenshaw county, the said L. A. Petty, defendant aforesaid did voluntarily, and without any fault on the part of your Oratrix, abandon her, your Oratrix, without any lawful cause or good excuse on his part therefor and he has ever since said abandonment of your Oratrix failed and refused to live with your Oratrix.

Third. That your Oratrix has been a bona fide resident citizen of the state of Alabama for three years and more next preceeding the filing of the Bill of Complaint in this cause and is over the age of twenty one years.

Fourth. That the said L. A. Petty, the defendant aforesaid, has remained away from your Oratrix at all times subsequent to his said abandonment of your Oratrix, on to wit, August 15th, 1926 and that your Oratrix and the said L. A. Petty have not cohabitated as man and wife since August, 15th, 1926.

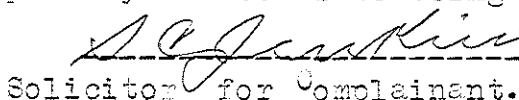
Wherefore, your Oratrix prays that your Honor will decree that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between her and the said L. A. Petty be dissolved and that your Oratrix be granted a decree of divorce from said L. A. Petty and Oratrix prays for such other and further relief as in justice she may be entitle to receive.



Solicitor for Complainant.

Foot Note:

Defendant or respondent is required to answer the foregoing complaint, paragraphs from 1 to 4 inclusive, but an answer under oath is not required, his answer thereto being expressly waived as to being under oath.


Solicitor for Complainant.

1st Original Bill

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Lora Petty

= OS =

L. A. Petty

Filed February 2nd 1929.

T. W. Beckman
Register

Hon. S. L. Jenkins
Atty for Complainant

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

Comes your Complainant Percy Hamilton and
humbly complaining against Ethel Hamilton, respectfully shows
unto your Honor and this Honorable Court, as follows:

FIRST:

That both the Complainant and the Respondent
are bona fide residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, and have
been for more than three years next preceding the filing of this
bill of complaint; that both are over the age of twenty-one years.

SECOND:

That your Complainant and the Respondent are
husband and wife, having intermarried at Daphne, in Baldwin
County, Alabama, on or about to-wit, in August, 1921; that they
lived together as husband and wife until on or about in
September, 1925.

THIRD:

That on or about September, 1925, and various
other dates, the Respondent, Ethel Hamilton, committed acts of
adultery with Eugene Anderson and Buster Flowers; that said
acts of adultery were committed in Baldwin County, Alabama, with-
out the consent or approval of your Complainant and that your
Complainant has not condoned the said acts of adultery committed
by the Respondent.

Therefore the premises considered, your
Complainant prays that your Honor will by proper process make
the said Ethel Hamilton party Respondent to this bill of complaint,
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.

The Complainant further prays that upon the
final hearing of this cause, your Honor will grant to him a decree

of divorce forever barring the bonds of matrimony existing between him and the said Respondent, Ethel Hamilton, and that your Honor will grant unto him such other, further or different relief as he may be in equity and good conscience entitled to receive and as in duty bound your Complainant will ever pray.

Percy Hamilton
Complainant.

Beebe & Free
Solicitors for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE:

The Respondent Ethel Hamilton is required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing bill of complaint, numbered first to third, inclusive, but not under oath. Oath being hereby expressly waived.

Percy Hamilton
Complainant.

Beebe & Free
Solicitors for Complainant.

PERCY HAMILTON,)
COMPLAINANT?)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN

vs)

COUNTY, ALABAMA.)

ETHEL HAMOLTON,)

IN EQUITY)

RESPONDENT)

Comes the respondent in the above styled cause and denies each and every allegation contained in said bill of complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

Ethel Hampton

WITNESSES:

B. W. [unclear]
[unclear] Sheriff

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T. W. Richardson
Register

The State of Alabama, } Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity,
Baldwin County.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

Carl Johnson

of *Baldwin* County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by

Edwin Cooper Johnson

against said

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, T. W. Richerson, Register of said Circuit Court, this *2nd* day of

July 192*7*

T. W. Richerson
Register

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

FILE ON.....

Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No.

SUMMONS

*Edmund Cook
Johnson*

vs.

Clark Johnson

Received in office this.....

day of..... 192

Sheriff.

Executed this..... day of

192

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with

Defendant.

Sheriff.

By.....
Deputy Sheriff.

I hereby accepts service of the wi
with subpoena and waive service of same
by the sheriff.

July 6th, 1929.

x Carl Johnson

Witness:

*Andy M. Sturice
Elizabeth Williams*

H. W. Johnson
Solicitor for Complainant

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The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

Ethel Hamilton

of Baldwin County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by Percy Hamilton

against said

Ethel Hamilton

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, T. W. Richerson, Register of said Circuit Court, this 11th day of February

1929

T. W. Richerson Register

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.

Original

FILE ON

Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No. _____

SUMMONS

Edmund Cook
Johnson

vs.

Carl Johnson

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Solicitor for Complainant

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

Received in office this _____
day of _____ 192

Sheriff.

Executed this _____ day of _____
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by leaving a copy of the within Summons with

Defendant,

Sheriff.

By _____
Deputy Sheriff.

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with subpoena and waive service of same
by the sheriff.

July 6th, 1929.

Witness:

x Carl Johnson

Andy M. Steiner
Elizabeth Williams

Original

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Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No.

SUMMONS

Percy Hamilton

vs.

Ethel Hamilton (col)

*Line of road with 4 rods
from Dept. to bridge
between Fish River &
Dunwood Shipler pasture
Beebe & Hall*

Beebe & Hall

Solicitor for Complainant

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

Received in office this... 11th
day of... February... 1929.

Sheriff.

Executed this *Monday March* day of
1929.

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with
Ethel Hamilton

Defendant.

to Arum

Sheriff.

By *B. D. Wiggins*
Deputy Sheriff.

The State of Alabama, } Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
 Baldwin County. } (In Equity.)

PERCY HAMILTON Complainant.

VS.

ETHEL HAMILTON Respondent.

I T. W. RICHERSON,

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me PERCY HAMILTON AND WILL DAVIS

witnesses named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 9th day of March

1929, at the office of T. W. RICHERSON

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said witnesses to speak the

truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said PERCY HAMILTON

doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Percy Hamilton. I am a resident of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, over twenty-one years of age. Ethel Hamilton is a resident of Daphne, Baldwin County, Alabama, and is over twenty-one years of age. We have both been residents of Baldwin County, Alabama for more than three years next preceding the filing of the bill of complaint in this cause. The said Ethel Hamilton and I are husband and wife, having intermarried at Daphne in Baldwin County, Alabama, on or about, to-wit: in August 1921. We lived together as man and wife until in September 1925. In September 1925 Ethel Hamilton committed acts of adultery with one Eugene Anderson; that is she left me and went and lived with Eugene Anderson. She lived with Eugene Anderson for some time and has a child by Eugene Anderson. That said acts of adultery with Eugene Anderson were committed in Baldwin County, Alabama, without my consent or approval; that said acts of adultery have not been condoned by your complainant; that she is now living with Buster Flowers near Daphne in Baldwin County, Alabama; that the complainant has had nothing to do with the respondent since she left him.

Percy Hamilton

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, T. W. Richerson, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition S on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness es and read over to them and they 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 es or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness es; 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 9th day of March 1929

T. W. Richerson (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Bessie Hamilton

vs. Complainant

Estelle Hamilton

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

Filed Mar 9th, 1929

T. W. Richerson, Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Percy Hamilton

VS.

Ethel Hamilton

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN
VACATION

FILED March 9th. 1929

T. W. Pickens

Register

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STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

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CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 794.

Vacation

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Percy Hamilton

, Complainant

vs.

Ethel Hamilton,

, Defendant

To T.W. Richerson,

, Register :

In the above stated cause a Decree Pro Confesso having been taken against the Defendant, and evidence having been taken, and the cause being ready for submission for final decree, and no defense having been interposed, the Complainant, by Beebe & Hall,

..... Solicitors of record, now files with the Register of this Court this written request to deliver the papers in this cause to the Judge for final decree in vacation.

Beebe & Hall,

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Solicitor for Complainant.

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Percy Hamilton

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vs.

Ethel Hamilton.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

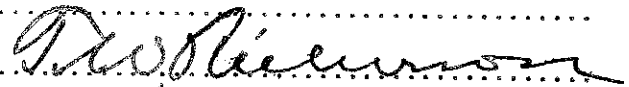
IN EQUITY,
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complainant upon the original Bill of Complaint,
... Answer of Defendant and testimony of Percy Hamilton and Will Davis,

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and in behalf of Defendant upon

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No. 796

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

Percy Hamilton

vs

Ethel Hamilton,

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 9th

day of March 1929

D. W. Reardon

Register

PER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO
W. RICHEYSON
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BALDWIN COUNTY
MAY MINETTE, ALA.



Return Receipt Requested.
Fee Paid.

(Deliver to addressee only)
(Return receipt requested)

Return Receipt Requested.
L. A. Petty
Denison, Texas.

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