

State of Alabama)  
Baldwin County )

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

To The Honorable Francis T. Ware, Judge of the Twenty First Judicial  
Circuit of Alabama, which includes Baldwin County :

Your petitioner, Norman Bowles, respectfully represents unto your  
Honor, that in the case of Jewell Bowles vs Norman Bowles in the Circuit  
Court of Duval County, Florida at Jacksonville , Florida, on the 13th  
day of August 1929, the judge of said Court rendered a decree dissolving  
the bonds of matrimony then existing between the said Jewell Bowles and  
the said Norman Bowles, your petitioner herein, as shown by a certified  
copy of said decree attached hereto <sup>as Exhibit C</sup> ~~and made a part of this petition.~~

Your petitioner further shows unto your Honor that while under the  
law of the State of Florida, a divorce of one party to a divorce proceed-  
ings give<sup>s</sup> a divorce to both parties and the right to marry again, yet  
your petitioner is now a resident of the State of Alabama, residing now  
at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, and he is advised and informed that  
under the laws of Alabama a petition to marry again is necessary for  
your petitioner to marry again and therefore states this to be a fact and  
that it is necessary for him to secure an order from your Honor giving him  
the right and permission to again enter into the matrimonial relationship.

Your petitioner further shows that he is a suitable person to enter  
into the marital relation or estate and he has for the past three years  
been a bona fide resident <sup>citizen</sup> of the State of Alabama, residing at present in  
Baldwin County, Alabama but residing prior thereto for the past ~~three~~ years  
in Mobile County, Alabama up to March 11th, 1931, when and since said time  
he has resided in Baldwin County, Alabama and next prior to and preceding  
the filing of this petition in his behalf and that he is a person of good  
character and in proof of all which, your petitioner, attaches hereto to  
this petition the affidavits of two reputable citizens of Baldwin County,  
Alabama and marked as Exhibits "A" and "B" and made a part of this peti-  
tion.

The premises considered, your petitioner, humbly and earnestly com-  
plaining, prays your Honor to make an order permitting him to marry  
again and upon such terms and conditions as to your Honor may seem meet  
and proper .

Witnesses  
J. G. Jenkins  
Wm. G. Smith

Norman Bowles

State of Alabama }  
Baldwin County .

Exhibit "X"

Ex Parte Petition to Marry again.  
In Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama.  
In Equity.

W. H. Hawkins a Notary Public

Before me

in and for said state and county, personally appeared A. O. Pruitt

who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,  
doth depose and say : I have known Norman Bowles for the past twelve -  
months or more ; he, the said Norman Bowles, is and has been for more than

three years before the filing of the petition to marry again as set out in  
this cause, a bona fide resident citizen of the state of Alabama and he re  
sides at present in Baldwin County, Alabama and prior to that time he re  
sided in Mobile County Alabama up to the time he became a resident of  
Baldwin County, Alabama, on to wit, March 11th, 1931.

He is a person of good character and is worthy to enter again into the  
estate of matrimony .

A. O. Pruitt

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Aug, 1931.

W. H. Hawkins

Notary Public for

State of Alabama }  
Baldwin County . *Exhibit B*

Ex Parte Petition to Marry again.

In Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama.

In Equity.

Before me E.H. Harkins, a Notary Public -

in and for said state and county, personally appeared *Emmerson*

who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn according to law,

doth depose and say : I have known Norman Bowles <sup>personally</sup> for the past twelve  
months <sup>or more</sup> ; he, the said Norman Bowles, is and has been for more than

three years before the filing of the petition to marry again as set out in  
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Baldwin County, Alabama, on to wit, Arch 11th, 1931.

He is a person of good character and is worthy to enter again into the  
estate of matrimony .

*Emmerson*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Aug 1931.

*W.H. Harkins*

Notary Public for

Filed Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 1931  
J. W. Reiman  
Register

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Ex Parte

Norman Bowles

No. 993

THIS CAUSE coming on to be heard at this Term was submitted upon the Petition filed by said

Norman Bowles

and the affidavits filed therewith; and, upon consideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Petitioner is entitled to the relief prayed for in his said Petition;

IT IS, THEREFORE, Ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court, that the said

Norman Bowles

be and he is hereby granted permission to again contract marriage.

It is further ordered, that the said petitioner Norman Bowles pay the costs herein taxed, for which execution may issue.

This the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1931  
(Signed)

J. W. Hare  
Judge of the 21st Judicial Circuit of Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

I, T. W. RICHESON, Register of the Circuit Court, in and for said State and County, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Decree allowing the within named Petitioner to again contract marriage, rendered on the day of 192 in the cause; all of which appears of record in this Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this the day of 192

Register of the Circuit Court in Equity for Baldwin County, Ala.

No. **993** COPY.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

EX PARTE

Norman Bowles

DECREE.

Filed in office this the 28th

day of Sept, 1931.

W. B. Williams  
Register.

M. P. GAY MINETTE

8550 REQUEST FOR DECREE IN VACATION.

MOORE PTG CO.

STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 993

Vacation Term, 1923

Norman Bowler

, Complainant

vs.

, Defendant

To

T. W. Richeson

, 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. Jenkins

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.

S. Jenkins

Solicitor for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY  
CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Ex parte Norman Bowles,

VS.

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN  
VACATION

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*T. W. Richardson*

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Ex parte Norman Bowles

VS.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,  
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complainant upon the original ~~complaint~~ <sup>complaint</sup>,

Petition and affidavits of C.M. Armstrong and A.P. Pruitt,

and in behalf of Defendant upon

*J. M. Rice*

Register.

No. 995.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,  
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

Ex parte Norman Bowles,

VS

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 27th

day of August 1923.

*W. J. Bowles*

Register

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

Your Petitioner, Leroy Thompson, who is over twenty-one years of age and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, respectfully represents unto the Court and your Honor as follows:

1. He was named Respondent in that certain cause Numbered 993 $\frac{1}{2}$  heretofore pending in this Court wherein Pearl Thompson was Complainant and he was Respondent, which proceeding was for a divorce.

2. A decree was rendered in said cause on to-wit, August 7th, 1933, dissolving the bonds of matrimony between the Complainant and Respondent, a copy of which Decree is hereto attached, but in the said Decree this Petitioner was not given the right to re-marry.

3. Petitioner is an industrious, law-abiding citizen with a good reputation, is a young man, physically sound and desires to marry again. He files herewith an affidavit executed by a reliable citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, showing that the affiant named therein has known Petitioner for a number of years and asks that your Honor will take said affidavit in consideration in connection with this Petition.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Petitioner prays that your Honor will enter a Decree designating how testimony may be taken to substantiate this Petition unless the affidavit attached hereto is sufficient and that your Honor will, upon final hearing, grant unto Petitioner the right to marry again.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Attorney for Petitioner.

PETITION FOR RIGHT TO RE-MARRY.

EX PARTE

PETITION OF LEROY THOMPSON.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY.      NUMBER \_\_\_\_.

PEARL THOMPSON,

Complainant,

VS.

LEROY THOMPSON,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NO. \_\_\_\_\_.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on personal service 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 her said bill.

It is, therefore, Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court, that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Respondent be, and the same are hereby dissolved and the said Pearl Thompson is forever divorced from the said Leroy Thompson for and on account of the cruelty committed upon her as alleged in the said Bill of Complaint.

It is further ordered that the said Pearl Thompson be and she is hereby permitted to again contract marriage but shall not again marry except to the said Leroy Thompson until sixty days after this date, and if an appeal is taken within sixty days, she shall not marry again except to the said Leroy Thompson during the pendency of said appeal.

Done at Monroeville, Alabama, on this the 7th day of August, 1933.

F. W. Hare

Judge of the Circuit Court.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

COPY

EX PARTE

PETITION OF LEROY THOMPSON

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER \_\_\_\_.

DECREE GRANTING RIGHT TO RE-MARRY.

This cause coming on to be heard at this time, was submitted for decree upon the Ex Parte Petition of Leroy Thompson for leave to again contract marriage, the Ex Parte Affidavits of Taylor Wilkins and G. M. Lambert and the Decree of Divorce in cause Number 993 $\frac{1}{2}$  of Pearl Thompson v. Leroy Thompson rendered in this court on the 7th day of August, 1933; and upon consideration thereof.

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that said Petitioner is entitled to the relief prayed for in said petition, and

That upon the payment of the costs of this proceeding, said Petitioner be, and he is hereby granted leave to again contract marriage.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed, that said petitioner be taxed with, and pay the costs herein accrued, for which execution may issue.

Done at Monroeville, Alabama, on this the <sup>th</sup> 29 day of February, 1940.

*J. W. Hare*

Judge of the Circuit Court of  
Baldwin County, Alabama.

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DECREE GRANTING RIGHT TO RE-  
MARRY.

EX PARTE

PETITION OF LEROY THOMPSON.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_.

*Filed February 23 1940  
R.S. Buck, Register*

# CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA., IN EQUITY.

No. **993½**

*Pearl Thompson*  
VS.  
*Leroy Thompson*

PLAINTIFF  
DEFENDANT

## Bill of Costs

Fees of Register		Dollars	Cts.	Brought Forward		
Filing each bill and other papers	5	\$	10	50	For receiving, keeping and paying out or distributing money, etc.; 1st \$1,000 1 per ct.; all over \$1,000, and not over \$5,000, 3-4 of 1 per ct.; all over \$5,000, and not exceeding \$10,000, 1-2 of 1 per ct.; all over \$10,000, 1-4 of 1 per ct.	5 50
Issuing each subpoena			50	50	Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into court, etc., 1-2 of 1 per ct. of amount received,	
Issuing each copy thereof			40	40	Each Notice sent by mail to creditors	15
Entering each return thereof			15	15	Filing, Receipting for and docketing each claim, etc.	25
For each order of publication			1 00		For all entries on subpoena docket, etc.	50
Issuing writ of injunction			1 50		For all entries on commission docket, etc.	50
For each copy thereof			50		Making final record, per 100 words	15
Entering each return thereof			15		Certified copy of decree	1 00
Issuing writ of attachment			1 00		Report of divorce to State Health office	50
Entering each return thereof			15		Acts 1915	
Docketing each case		1 00			Total Fees of Register	8.50
Entering each appearance		25				
Issuing each decree pro confesso on persl ser		1 00			Fees of Sheriff	
Issuing each decree pro confesso on publication		1 00			Serving and returning subpoena on deft.	1 50
Each order appointing guardian		1 00			Serving and returning subpoena for witness	65
Any other order by Register		50			Levying attachment	1 50
Issuing commission to take testimony		50			Entering and returning same	25
Receiving and filing		10	10		Selling property attached	
Endorsing each package		10	10		Impaneling Jury	75
Entering order submitting cause	5	50	50		Executing writ of possession	2 50
Entering any other order of Court		25			Collecting execution for costs	1 50
Noting all testimony	5	50	50		Serving and returning sci. fa., each	65
Abstract of cause, etc.		1 00			Serving and returning notice	65
Entering each decree	5	75	75		Serving and returning writ of injunction	1 50
For every 100 words over 500		15			Serving and returning writ of exeat	1 50
Taking account, etc.		3 00			Taking and approving bonds, each	75
Taking testimony, etc.		15			Collecting money on execution	
Each report, 500 words or less		2 50			Making deed	2 50
For every 100 words over 500		15			Serving and returning application, etc.	1 00
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc.		2 90			Serving attachment, contempt of court	1 50
Issuing each subpoena		25			Total Fees of Sheriff	1 50
Witness certificate, each		25				
Issuing execution, each		75			Recapitulation	
Entering each return		15			Register's Fees	8.50
Taking and approving bond, each		1 00			Sheriff's Fees	1.50
Making copy of bill, etc.		15			Commissioner's Fees	5.00
Each notice not otherwise provided for		50			Solicitor's Fees	
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal		50			Witness Fees	
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal		25			Guardian Ad Litem	
Hearing and passing on application, etc.		3 00			Printer's Fees	
Each settlement with receiver, etc.		3 00			Trial Tax	3 00
Examining each voucher of receiver, etc.		10			Recording Decree in Probate Court	
Examining each answer, etc.		3 00			TOTAL	18 00
Recording resignation, etc.		75				
Entering each certificate to Supreme Court		50				
Taking questions and answers, etc.		25				
For all other service relating to such proceedings		1 00				
For services in proceeding to relieve minors, etc., same fees as in similar cases.						
Commission on sales, etc.: 1st \$100, 2 per cent.; all over \$100, and not exceeding 1,000, 1 1-2 per ct.; all over \$1,000, and not exceeding \$20,000, 1 per ct.; all over \$20,000, 1-4 of 1 per ct.						
Sub Total Carried Forward			5 50			

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Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Ala.  
In Equity.

No. 9931

*Thompson*

VS.

*Thompson*

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Register.

Moore Printing Co. Bay Minette

**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

**Leroy Thompson**

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

**Pearl Thompson**

against said

**Leroy Thompson**

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 **31st** day of

**August,**

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*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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RECORDED  
Leroy Thompson

Circuit Court of Baldwin County  
In Equity.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

SUMMONS

Pearl Thompson

vs.

Leroy Thompson

J. B. Blackburn

Solicitor for Complainant.

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The State of Alabama,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Received in office this Sept 1st

day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1931

W. H. Smith  
Sheriff.

Executed this 1st day of  
Sept 1931

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with  
Leroy Thompson

W. H. Smith Defendant.

By W. H. Smith Sheriff.  
Deputy Sheriff.

PEARL THOMPSON,

Complainant,

VS.

LEROY THOMPSON,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NO. \_\_\_\_\_.

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE SAID COURT SITTING IN  
EQUITY:

Now comes your Complainant, Pearl Thompson, and presents  
this bill of complaint against Leroy Thompson, and respectfully  
shows unto your Honor as follows:

FIRST: That your Complainant, Pearl Thompson, and the  
Respondent, Leroy Thompson, are both over the age of twenty-one  
years and that they were lawfully married near Bay Minette, Ala-  
bama, on to-wit, November 10, 1912.

SECOND: That your Complainant is a bona fide resident  
of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been such resi-  
dent for a period of more than one year next prior to the filing  
of this bill of complaint; that the Respondent, Leroy Thompson,  
is a resident of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that your  
Complainant and the said Respondent, Leroy Thompson, lived together  
as man and wife until about September 18th, 1930, and that the said  
Complainant and the said Respondent have not lived together since  
the said date.

THIRD: Your Complainant further shows unto your Honor  
that at various times during the summer of 1930, the said Respond-  
ent, Leroy Thompson, struck, abused and cursed your Complainant;  
that on or about the 18th day of September, 1930, just prior to the  
said separation, the said Respondent, Leroy Thompson, struck your  
Complainant with his hand and threatened to kill her, and your

Complainant avers that she was put in fear of being done great bodily harm if she tried to continue to live with the said Respondent, Leroy Thompson.

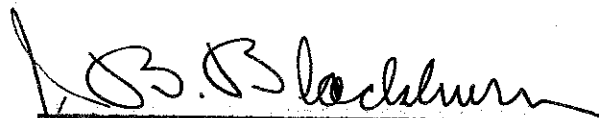
THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Complainant prays that your Honor will take jurisdiction of the cause made by this bill of complaint, will cause notice thereof to be served upon the said Leroy Thompson, in conformity with the rules of this Honorable Court and the laws of this State in such matters pertaining, making him a party respondent to this bill of complaint, and your Honor will require the said Respondent to answer, plead or demur to this bill of complaint within the time required by law.

Your Complainant further prays that upon final hearing of this cause, your Honor will enter and grant unto her a decree of divorce dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between your Complainant and the said Leroy Thompson, will grant unto her the right to marry again, and will grant unto her such other, further and general relief as she may be entitled to, the premises considered.



Solicitor for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE: The said Leroy Thompson is required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing bill of complaint, but not under oath, his oath thereto being hereby expressly waived.



Solicitor for Complainant.

BILL OF COMPLAINT.

PEARL THOMPSON,  
Complainant,

VS.

LEROY THOMPSON,  
Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NO. \_\_\_\_.

Filed on this the <sup>31<sup>st</sup></sup> ~~28th~~ day of  
August, 1931.

*J. B. Blackburn*

Register in Chancery.

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J. B. BLACKBURN  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
BAY MINETTE, ALA.

# CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA., IN EQUITY.

No. *7932*

*Pearl Thompson*  
VS.  
*Leroy Thompson*

PLAINTIFF  
DEFENDANT

## Bill of Costs

Fees of Register		Dollars	Cts.	Brought Forward.....		
Filing each bill and other papers.....	<i>50</i>	\$	10	For receiving, keeping and paying out or distributing money, etc.; 1st \$1,000 1 per ct.; all over \$1,000, and not over \$5,000, 3-4 of 1 per ct.; all over \$5,000, and not exceeding \$10,000, 1-2 of 1 per ct.; all over \$10,000, 1-4 of 1 per ct.		<i>5 50</i>
Issuing each subpoena.....			50	Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into court, etc., 1-2 of 1 per ct. of amount received,		
Issuing each copy thereof.....			40	Each Notice sent by mail to creditors.....	15	
Entering each return thereof.....			15	Filing, Receipting for and docketing each claim, etc.....	25	
For each order of publication.....			1 00	For all entries on subpoena docket, etc.....	50	
Issuing writ of injunction.....			1 50	For all entries on commission docket, etc.....	50	
For each copy thereof.....			50	Making final record, per 100 words.....	15	<i>1 30</i>
Entering each return thereof.....			15	Certified copy of decree.....	1 00	<i>1 00</i>
Issuing writ of attachment.....			1 00	Report of divorce to State Health office.....	50	<i>50</i>
Entering each return thereof.....			15	Acts 1915		
Docketing each case.....		<i>1 00</i>	1 00	Total Fees of Register.....		<i>8 50</i>
Entering each appearance.....			25			
Issuing each decree pro confesso on persl ser.....		<i>1 00</i>	1 00	Fees of Sheriff.....		
Issuing each decree pro confesso on publication.....			1 00	Serving and returning subpoena on deft.....	\$ 1 50	<i>1 50</i>
Each order appointing guardian.....			1 00	Serving and returning subpoena for witness.....	65	
Any other order by Register.....			50	Levying attachment.....	1 50	
Issuing commission to take testimony.....			50	Entering and returning same.....	25	
Receiving and filing.....		<i>10</i>	10	Selling property attached.....		
Endorsing each package.....		<i>10</i>	10	Impanelling Jury.....	75	
Entering order submitting cause.....	<i>5</i>		50	Executing writ of possession.....	2 50	
Entering any other order of Court.....			25	Collecting execution for costs.....	1 50	
Noting all testimony.....	<i>5</i>		50	Serving and returning sci. fa., each.....	65	
Abstract of cause, etc.....		<i>75</i>	75	Serving and returning notice.....	65	
Entering each decree.....	<i>5</i>		75	Serving and returning writ of injunction.....	1 50	
For every 100 words over 500.....			15	Serving and returning writ of exeat.....	1 50	
Taking account, etc.....			3 00	Taking and approving bonds, each.....	75	
Taking testimony, etc.....			15	Collecting money on execution.....		
Each report, 500 words or less.....			2 50	Making deed.....	2 50	
For every 100 words over 500.....			15	Serving and returning application, etc.....	1 00	
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc.....			2 00	Serving attachment, contempt of court.....	1 50	
Issuing each subpoena.....			25	Total Fees of Sheriff.....		<i>1 50</i>
Witness certificate, each.....			25			
Issuing execution, each.....			75	Recapitulation.....		
Entering each return.....			15	Register's Fees.....		<i>8 50</i>
Taking and approving bond, each.....			1 00	Sheriff's Fees.....		<i>1 50</i>
Making copy of bill, etc.....			15	Commissioner's Fees.....		<i>5 00</i>
Each notice not otherwise provided for.....			50	Solicitor's Fees.....		
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal.....			50	Witness Fees.....		
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal.....			25	Guardian Ad Litem.....		
Hearing and passing on application, etc.....			3 00	Printer's Fees.....		
Each settlement with receiver, etc.....			3 00	Trial Tax.....	3 00	<i>3 00</i>
Examining each voucher of receiver, etc.....			10	Recording Decree in Probate Court.....		
Examining each answer, etc.....			3 00			
Recording resignation, etc.....			75			
Entering each certificate to Supreme Court.....			50			
Taking questions and answers, etc.....			25			
For all other service relating to such proceedings.....			1 00			
For services in proceeding to relieve minors, etc., same fees as in similar cases.....						
Commission on sales, etc.: 1st \$100, 2 per cent.; all over \$100, and not exceeding 1,000, 1 1-2 per ct.; all over \$1,000, and not exceeding \$20,000, 1 per ct.; all over \$20,000, 1-4 of 1 per ct.						
Sub Total Carried Forward.....		<i>5 50</i>		TOTAL.....		<i>18 00</i>

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Register.

Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Ala.  
In Equity.

No. 9935

*Paul Thompson*

VS.

*Levy Thompson*

## Cost Bill

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Moore Printing Co. Bay Minette



PEARL THOMPSON,

Complainant,

VS.

LEROY THOMPSON,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.  
IN EQUITY. NO. 993½.

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON PERSONAL SERVICE.

In this cause, it being made to appear to the Register that a summons was served upon the Respondent by a deputy sheriff of Baldwin County, Alabama, on the 1st day of September, 1931, requiring him to appear and plead, answer or demur, to the bill of complaint in this cause, within thirty days from the service of said summons, and the said Respondent having failed to plead, answer or demur to the said bill to the date hereof: It is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant, ordered and decreed, that the said bill of complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is, in all things taken as confessed against the said Leroy Thompson, Respondent aforesaid.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of October, 1931.



Register.

PEARL THOMPSON,

Complainant,

VS.

LEROY THOMPSON,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HARR, JUDGE OF THE SAID COURT SITTING IN  
EQUITY:

Now comes your Complainant, Pearl Thompson, and presents  
this bill of complaint against Leroy Thompson, and respectfully  
shows unto your Honor as follows:

FIRST: That your Complainant, Pearl Thompson, and the  
Respondent, Leroy Thompson, are both over the age of twenty-one  
years and that they were lawfully married near Bay Minette, Ala-  
bama, on to-wit, November 10, 1912.

SECOND: That your Complainant is a bona fide resident  
of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, and has been such resi-  
dent for a period of more than one year next prior to the filing  
of this bill of complaint; that the Respondent, Leroy Thompson,  
is a resident of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that your  
Complainant and the said Respondent, Leroy Thompson, lived together  
as man and wife until about September 18th, 1930, and that the said  
Complainant and the said Respondent have not lived together since  
the said date.

THIRD: Your Complainant further shows unto your Honor  
that at various times during the summer of 1930, the said Respond-  
ent, Leroy Thompson, struck, abused and cursed your Complainant;  
that on or about the 18th day of September, 1930, just prior to the  
said separation, the said Respondent, Leroy Thompson, struck your  
Complainant with his hand and threatened to kill her, and your

Complainant avers that she was put in fear of being done great bodily harm if she tried to continue to live with the said Respondent, Leroy Thompson.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Complainant prays that your Honor will take jurisdiction of the cause made by this bill of complaint, will cause notice thereof to be served upon the said Leroy Thompson, in conformity with the rules of this Honorable Court and the laws of this State in such matters pertaining, making him a party respondent to this bill of complaint, and your Honor will require the said Respondent to answer, plead or demur to this bill of complaint within the time required by law.

Your Complainant further prays that upon final hearing of this cause, your Honor will enter and grant unto her a decree of divorce dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between your Complainant and the said Leroy Thompson, will grant unto her the right to marry again, and will grant unto her such other, further and general relief as she may be entitled to, the premises considered.

  
J. B. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE: The said Leroy Thompson is required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing bill of complaint, but not under oath, his oath thereto being hereby expressly waived.

J. B. Blackburn  
Solicitor for Complainant.

**The State of Alabama** }  
**Baldwin County**

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,  
(In Equity)

Pearl Thompson,

COMPLAINANT

VS.

Leroy Thompson

RESPONDENT

I, Mary A. Stone,

as Register and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Pearl Thompson and Mrs. Nora Brown

witness S named in the requirement for Oral Examination, on the 2nd day of August,  
1933, at the office of J. B. Blackburn,

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

truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said witnesses

doth depose and say as follows:

**TESTIMONY OF PEARL THOMPSON.**

My name is Pearl Thompson. I am the Complainant in the above entitled cause. I have read over the Bill of Complaint that my Attorney filed for me in this case and all of the allegations contained in it are true.

I am over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. The Defendant, Leroy Thompson is also over twenty-one years of age and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. We were lawfully married near Bay Minette, Alabama, on about November 10, 1912, and lived together as man and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, practically all of the time since our said marriage up to the time my suit for divorce was commenced, but I had resided in Bay Minette continuously for more than two years next prior to the filing of this suit.

I lived with the said Leroy Thompson until about September 18, 1930, at which time we separated, at which time we were living in Bay Minette, Alabama. I have not since lived with him. On several occasions during the summer of 1930 the said Leroy Thompson became angry with me without fault on my part and while he was so angered often struck, abused and cursed me, but on or about September 18, 1930, just prior to our separation the said Leroy Thompson struck me on the side of my face with his hand at which time he threatened to kill me. Because of his actions and threats I was put in fear of being done great bodily harm or severely injured if I tried to continue living with him. At the time this happened in addition to Leroy Thompson and I, my daughter Pearllie Lee Thompson, who is now dead and Mrs. Nora Brown were present. This happened about 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon in one of the bed rooms in the house where we were residing. I immediately separated from him and have not lived with him since the said date.

Mrs Pearl Thompson

TESTIMONY OF MRS. NORA BROWN.

My name is Nora Brown. I am a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, where I have resided all of my life. I was present in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thompson in Bay Minette, Alabama, around September 18, 1930, in the middle of the afternoon. While I was there I saw Leroy Thompson suddenly become angry with his wife, Mrs. Pearl Thompson, at which time he started cursing her, but I do not now recall the exact language that he used. In addition to cursing her he also threatened to kill her, and while he was making the threats to kill her he suddenly struck her in the face with his fist which was such a blow as to immediately cause her eye to swell and later become black. I had been in the house with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson for several hours prior to this affair and during all the time I was there I did not see Mrs. Thompson do anything to cause her husband to become angry with her. Mrs. Thompson's daughter, Miss Pearllie Lee Thompson, who is now dead was also present.

Mrs Nora Brown

ORAL EXAMINTAIION

I, Mary A. Stone, 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 W. A. Stone 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 5th day of August 19 33.

Mary A. Stone (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Pearl Thompson,

COMPLAINANT

VS.

Leroy Thompson,

RESPONDENT

ORAL DEPOSITION

Filed August 5, , 1933

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

{ No. 9931 CIRCUIT COURT IN EQUITY.

Pearl Thompson, Complainant

vs.

Leroy Thompson Defendant

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against

Leroy Thompson Defendant

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 has failed to demur, plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause to this date.

This 27th day of October, 19 31.

J. B. Blackburn Solicitor.

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

**CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY**

Pearl Thompson

Complainant,

vs.

Leroy Thompson,

Defendant.

**MOTION FOR DECREE PRO  
CONFESSO ON PERSONAL SERVICE**

Filed October 25th, 1951

*J. W. Rice*

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STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority within and for said County in said State, personally appeared G. M. Lambert, who, after being by me first duly and legally sworn, deposes and says: That he is a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that he has been such resident for more than five years; that he has known Leroy Thompson for more than three years and knows him to be an industrious law-abiding citizen and one who bears a good reputation. That affiant believes and so asserts that it is good for the public that the said Leroy Thompson be permitted to marry again, affiant believing that if he is so married that he will make a good husband.

G. M. Lambert

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 16th day of February, 1940.

J. B. Blackburn

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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EX PARTE

PETITION OF LEROY THOMPSON.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER \_\_\_\_.

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Register*

BALDWIN COUNTY

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J. T. Tashum  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

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R. B. Dyer  
Registrar*

The State of Alabama, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY }

CIRCUIT COURT. (Equity)

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of  
LeRoy Thompson

Feb. 29-1940

### BILL OF COSTS

[illegible]

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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Defendant -----	
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Plaintiff's Attorney.	
Defendant's Attorney.	
Moore Printing Co., Bay Minette, Ala.	

PEARL THOMPSON,

Complainant,

VS.

LEROY THOMPSON,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NO. \_\_\_\_\_.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on personal service 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 her said bill.

It is, therefore, Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court, that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Respondent be, and the same are hereby dissolved and the said Pearl Thompson is forever divorced from the said Leroy Thompson for and on account of the cruelty committed upon her as alleged in the said Bill of Complaint.

It is further ordered that the said Pearl Thompson be and she is hereby permitted to again contract marriage but shall not again marry except to the said Leroy Thompson until sixty days after this date, and if an appeal is taken within sixty days, she shall not marry again except to the said Leroy Thompson during the pendency of said appeal.

Done at Monroeville, Alabama, on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1933.

*J. W. Ware*

Judge of the Circuit Court.