

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BALDWIN

1063
IN CIRCUIT COURT
IN EQUITY

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS, Complainant

vs.

DEWEY WILLIAMS, Respondent

THE DEPOSITIONS

of Clara Phipps Williams and Roy Amison, witnesses examined on behalf of the Complainant in the above entitled action which is now pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama.

The said witnesses appeared before me at the time and place hereinafter mentioned and after being sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, did testify and say as follows:

My name is Clara Phipps Williams and I am over the age of twenty-one years and the Complainant in this suit. For more than three years immediately preceding the date of the filing of this Bill of Complaint in the month of July, 1932 I have been and now am a resident in good faith of Baldwin County, Alabama. The Defendant, Dewey Williams, is over twenty-one years old and lives at Newcastle, Henry County, Indiana. I was married to the Defendant, Dewey Williams, on November 19th, 1928 at Brewton, Escambia County, Alabama, and lived with him as his wife in Baldwin County, Alabama until the fall of 1929. On September 1st, 1929 the Defendant, Dewey Williams, left our home and went North to Indiana. His leaving me was without any just cause or excuse and without any fault or failure on my part. He left me without my knowledge, taking some of my money with him and against my desire. Dewey Williams has ever since September 1st, 1929 lived wholly apart from me, has contributed nothing whatever for my support and his abandonment of me has been continuous ever since such date which is more than two years immediately preceding the date of the filing of this Bill.

Clara Phipps Williams

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3rd day of October, 1932

J. B. Giffney
Commissioner

My name is Roy Amison, I am over twenty-one years of age and live at Foley, Baldwin County, Alabama, where I have lived all my life. I am personally well acquainted with Mrs. Clara Phipps Williams, the Complainant, and was acquainted with Dewey Williams, her husband, the Defendant, when he lived in this County with her in 1929. Early in the fall of 1929 he left her and went away and I have not seen him in this county or state since that time. I know that Mrs. Clara Phipps Williams was a hard worker and was a good wife to Dewey Williams and that she treated him well at all times whenever I was at their home in this county. I do not know of any reason for Dewey Williams' leaving his wife and I do not know of any failure of fault on her part that would cause him to leave her and go away. I know that he has not lived with her or supported her since the fall of 1929 and I know that at that time they were both over the age of twenty one years.

Roy Amison

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3rd day of October, 1932.

J. B. Tiffany
Commissioner

CERTIFICATE OF COMMISSIONER

I, J. B. Tiffany, the Commissioner named in the attached Commission, hereby certify that, in pursuance thereof, I did, on Monday, the 3rd day of October, 1932, call and accuse to come before me, at the office of Edward P. Totten, in the Bank of Fairhope, Building, at Fairhope, Alabama, in the county of Baldwin, the said witnesses, Clara Phipps Williams and Roy Amison, and that the said witnesses, after having been first duly sworn, did testify in answer to oral interrogatories propounded to them by Edward P. Totten, Esq., Solicitor for Complainant, as set down above their signatures, and that the answers of said witnesses are set down as near as might be in their own language and that they subscribed their names thereto in my presence after having heard the same read to them.

I further certify that I am neither of counsel nor of kin to any of the parties to this suit, nor am I in any manner interested in the result thereof.

Witness my hand at Fairhope, Ala., on this 3rd day of October, 1932

J. B. Tiffany
COMMISSIONER

The State of Alabama, {
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To J. B. TIFFANY

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 Clara Phipps Williams and

Roy Amison

as witnesses in behalf of Complainant in a cause pending in our Circuit

Court of Baldwin County, of said State, wherein

Clara Phipps Williams

Complainant

and

Dewey Williams

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon oral interrogatories

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

Witness

30th

day of

Aug

1932

W. R. Williams

REGISTER

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$

250

WITNESS' FEES, \$

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NO. _____

The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

vs. Complainant

DEWEY WILLIAMS

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

J. B. TIFFANY

ROY AMISON

WITNESSES:

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

ROY AMISON

8581 NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Clara Phipps Williams,

vs.

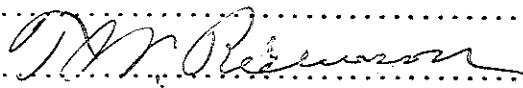
Dewey Williams,

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,.....
pro-
...decree/con-fesso...and testimony of Clara Phipps Williams and
Dewey Williams,

and in behalf of Defendant upon


Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

Clara Phipps Williams

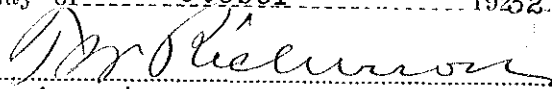
VS

Dewey Williams,

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 6th

day of October 1932



Register

8550 REQUEST FOR DECREE IN VACATION.

MOORE PTG CO.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 1063, Vacation Term, 1923.

Clara Phipps Williams, Complainant...

vs.

Dewey Williams, 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 Edward P. Totten

..... 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.

Edward P. Totten

Solicitor for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Clara Phipps Williams

vs.

Dewey Williams,

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN
VACATION

FILED Oct 6th 1923

W. M. Robinson
Register

RECORDED IN RECORD

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Register

Alara Phipps Williams,

vs.

Dewey Williams,

CIRCUIT COURT OF
Baldwin County.

IN EQUITY.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register that on the 14th
day of July, 1932, a copy of the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause was
sent to Dewey Williams,

Defendant, by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom
addressed," and return receipt demanded addressed to the Register of this Court; and that on the
22nd day of July, 1932, such receipt was duly
received and filed in this cause:

And it further appearing to the Register that the said Defendant has failed to plead, answer
or demur to the said Bill to the date hereof, it is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant, ordered,
adjudged and decreed by the Register that the said Bill of Complaint be, and it hereby is in all
things taken as confessed against the said

Dewey Williams, Defendant

This the 29th day of August, 1932

[Signature] Register.

No. 1063.

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COUNTY, ALA.

In Equity.

Clara Phipps Williams,

vs.

Dewey Williams,

Decree Pro Confesso After
Notice By Registered Mail.

Filed in office this 29th day of

August, 1932.

D. W. Ransom Register

Entered in O. B. Page

Clara Phipps Williams

vs.

Dewey Williams,

CIRCUIT COURT OF

Baldwin COUNTY.

IN EQUITY.

I, T.W. Richerson, Register of said Court, do hereby certify that I

did, on the 14th day of July, 1923, send to

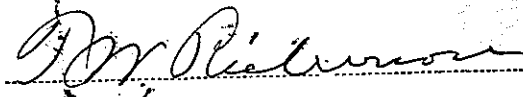
Dewey Williams, Defendant.

whose address was New Castle Indiana,

by registered mail, postage prepaid, marked "For delivery only to the person to whom addressed," a copy of the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause; that I demanded a return receipt addressed to the Register of this Court; and that such

receipt was duly received and filed by me in this cause, on the 22nd day of July, 1923.

Witness my hand, this 22nd day of July, 1923.



Register.

No. 1063.

CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY.
IN EQUITY.

Clara Phipps Williams,

vs.

Dewey Williams

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTER AS TO NOTICE
BY REGISTERED MAIL.

Filed in office on this 22nd

day of July, 1932. 192.

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 Dewey Williams, New Castle,
Henry County, Indiana,

of HENRY COUNTY 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

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

against said DEWEY WILLIAMS

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 14th day of

July 193 2

T. W. Richerson Register.

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

(ORIGINAL)

RECORDED

Serve on _____

Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No. _____

SUMMONS

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

vs.

DEWEY WILLIAMS

EDWARD P. TOTTER

Solicitor for Complainant.

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The State of Alabama,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Received in office this _____

day of _____ 193 _____

Sheriff.

Executed this _____ day of _____

193 _____

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with _____

Defendant.

Sheriff.

By _____ Deputy Sheriff.

*July 14, 1932, copy of
summons & copy of Bill
Registered to Defendant
at New Castle, Indiana*

(ORIGINAL)

RECORDED

Serve on _____

Circuit Court of Baldwin County
In Equity.

No. _____

SUMMONS

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

vs.

DEWEY WILLIAMS

EDWARD P. TOTTEN

Solicitor for Complainant.

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**The State of Alabama,
BALDWIN COUNTY.**

Received in office this _____

day of _____ 193_____

Sheriff.

Executed this _____ day of _____

193_____

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with _____

Defendant.

Sheriff.

By _____

Deputy Sheriff.

*July 14, 1932, copy of
summons & copy of Bill
Registered to Defendant
at New Castle, Indiana*

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BALDWIN

IN CIRCUIT COURT
IN EQUITY

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

vs.

B I L L O F C O M P L A I N T

DEWEY WILLIAMS

~~TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF SAID COURT.~~

Humbly complaining, your Orator brings this Bill of Complaint against the Defendant above named and shows unto your Honor as follows;

That Complainant is over the age of twenty-one years and that for more than three years immediately preceding the filing of this bill she has been and now is a bona fide resident of Baldwin county, Alabama;

That the Defendant, Dewey Williams, is over the age of twenty-one years and is a resident of the state of Indiana, in the county of Henry, at the city of Newcastle therein;

That the Complainant and the Defendant intermarried at Brewton, in Escambia county, Alabama, on November 19th, 1928, and ever since have been and now are lawful wife and husband;

That in Baldwin county, Alabama, on September 1st, 1929, the Defendant, without any just cause or excuse and without any fault on the part of Complainant and against her wish and will, abandoned your orator and has ever since continued in such wilful abandonment, and that it has been continuous for more than two years immediately preceding the date of the filing of this bill.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS AND FOR RELIEF:

The premises considered, your orator prays that by the usual process of this Honorable Court the defendant above named, Dewey Williams, may be made party respondent to this Bill of Complaint and may be required to answer, demur to or plead to this Bill within the time and under the penalties as provided by law or that the same be forever confessed.

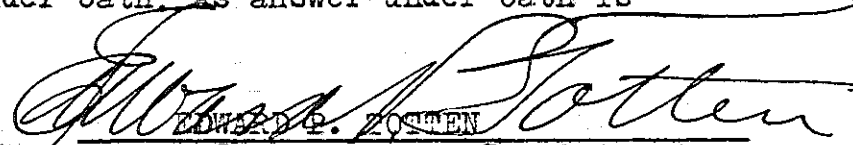
Your orator further prays that upon the final hearing of this cause your Honor will grant unto Complainant an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now subsisting between Complainant and the Defendant, Dewey Williams, and will grant unto complainant such other, further or different relief to which in equity and good conscience she may be entitled if she has in anywise prayed or asked amiss of this Honorable Court.

Dated this 11th day of July, 1932.


EDWARD P. TOTTON
Solicitor for Complainant

FOOTNOTE:

The Defendant, Dewey Williams, is hereby required to answer each and every allegation contained in the foregoing ~~Summary~~ Bill of Complaint, but not under oath, as answer under oath is hereby expressly waived.


EDWARD P. TOTTON
Solicitor for Complainant

STATE OF ALABAMA)
 (ss.
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

Edward P. Totten, being by me duly sworn, on oath says: that he is Solicitor for Complainant in the above entitled cause, and that the allegations of the Bill, including that as to the residence of the Defendant, are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.


EDWARD P. TOTTON

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 11th day of July, 1932.

G. E. PERKINS 
Notary Public, Baldwin county, Alabama

Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama
G. E. BARKINS

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this fifth day of July, 1933.

Edward P. Totten
Notary Public

his knowledge, information and belief.

that as to the residence of the Defendant, are true to the best of
entitled cause, and that the allegations of the Bill, including
on oath says: that he is Solicitor for Complaint in the above

Edward P. Totten, being by me duly sworn.

COUNTY OF BALDWIN)
STATE OF ALABAMA) ss.

Solicitor for Complaint

Edward P. Totten
Notary Public

hereto expressly waived.

Bill of Complaint, but not under oath as answer under oath is
answer each and every allegation contained in the foregoing Complaint
The Defendant, Dewey Williams, is hereto redired to

FOOTNOTE:

Solicitor for Complaint

Edward P. Totten
Notary Public

Dated this fifth day of July, 1933.

in witness whereof and asked witness of this Honorable Court.

which in equity and good conscience she may be entitled to she has
Grant unto Complaint and on other, further or different relief to
between Complaint and the Defendant, Dewey Williams, and will
from the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now subsisting
cease your Honor withstanding unto Complaint an absolute
your Honor further orders that upon the next hearing

In Circuit Court
In Equity
arising out of

Clara Phipps
Williams
vs.

Dewey
Williams

Bill
Complaint

Filed July 14th
1933

J. W. Williams

Edward P. Totten
Solicitor for Compl.

The State of Alabama, {
Baldwin County.

No. 1063

Circuit Court, in Equity.

Clara Phipps Williams,

Complainant.

vs.

Dewey Williams,

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 orderd, that the said Clara Phipps Williams, 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 Clara Phipps Williams, 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

Dewey Williams,

CLARA PHIPPS WILLIAMS

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

during the said pendency of appeal

This 7th day of October, 1932.

F. 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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on minutes

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY,
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA.

Clara Phipps Williams,

vs.

Dewey Williams.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

Filed in office this

8th

day of

Oct

1932

Register.

E. O. M.

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OF THE UNITED STATES

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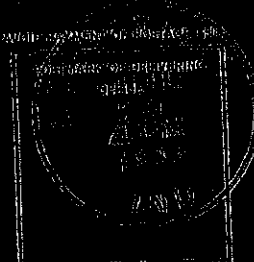
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(Signature of addressee)

(Signature of addressee)

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