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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

RUSSEL W. THOMPSON

Complainant

vs.

LEONA THOMPSON

Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Con-~~  
~~fessor~~ Answer and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon con-  
sideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the Complaint is entitled to the relief prayed  
for in said bill.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony here-  
tofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved,  
and that the said Russel W. Thompson  
is forever divorced from the said Leona Thompson

for and on account of habitual drunkenness

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry  
except to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken  
within sixty days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said  
appeal.

It is further ordered that the Complainant and Respondent be, and they are hereby permitted  
to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that Russel W. Thompson  
the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Dec., 1946

*[Signature]*

Judge Circuit Court, in Equity.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Register of the Circuit  
Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the  
foregoing is a correct copy of the original decree rendered by the  
Judge of the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said  
decree is on file and enrolled in my office.

Witness my hand and seal this the \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

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Baldwin County

IN EQUITY  
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint, and  
Testimony of Russel W. Thompson and B. D. Cobb

and in behalf of Defendant upon answer



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Solicitor for Complainant

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

**THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Baldwin County**

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(In Equity)

RUSSELL W. THOMPSON

Complainant

VS.

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Respondent

I, Mildred Moore

as Register and Commissioner ~~in chancery~~

have called and caused to come before me Russell W. Thompson AND B. D. Cobb

witness<sup>es</sup> named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 1946, at the office of C. G. Chason in Foley, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witnesses to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Russell W. Thompson and B. B. Cobb doth depose and say as follows:

TESTIMONY OF RUSSELL W. THOMPSON

My name is Russell W. Thompson. I am over the age of twenty-one years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama. Leona Thompson and I were married on November 13, 1935 and lived together as man and wife until June 17, 1946. For the last several years Leona Thompson has been drinking almost constantly. For the last several months preceding June 17, 1946, I owned and was operating a filling station and sandwich shop. Leona Thompson drank such an excessive amount that a great deal of my business was lost. Even after our separation she would come to my place of business in a drunken condition and create disturbances, so much so, that on one occasion I was compelled to have her arrested for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct. To the best of my knowledge and belief Leona Thompson did not drink before our marriage and drank only moderately during the first few years of our marriage. She became steadily worse and all efforts on my part to prevail on her to stop her continual drinking were to no avail.

Russell W. Thompson

TESTIMONY OF B. D. COBB

My name is B. D. Cobb. I am over the age of twenty-one years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, being the Chief of the Foley Police Force. On many occasions I have known of Leona Thompson being drunk and disorderly and on one occasion arrested her on the charges of public drunkenness and disorderly conduct, to which charge she pled guilty and paid the fine. On many other occasions it has been necessary to order her taken to her home.

B. D. Cobb

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, Mildred Moore, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing depositions on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witnesses and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself \_\_\_\_\_ at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witnesses or had proom made before me of the identity of said witnesses; 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1946.

Mildred Moore (L. S.)

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## Oral Deposition

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
IN EQUITY

Comes your Complainant, Russell W. Thompson, and exhibits this, his Bill of Complaint for divorce against Leona Thompson and shows unto your Honor and this Court as follows:-

FIRST:

That your Complainant is over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident of Foley, Baldwin County, Alabama; that Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years and is a bona fide resident of Mobile, Alabama.

SECOND:

That your Complainant and the Respondent were married on, heretofore, November 13, 1935 and lived together as man and wife until June 17, 1946, when because of the matters hereinafter complained of, your Complainant was compelled to live separate and apart from the Respondent; that after marriage Respondent became addicted to habitual drunkenness.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS AND RELIEF:

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Complainant prays that Leona Thompson be made a party defendant to this cause by the usual process of this Honorable Court requiring him to plead, answer or demur within the time and under the penalties prescribed by the rules of this court and the Statutes in such cases made and provided; that upon a final hearing of this cause that your Complainant be granted a divorce from the said Respondent. Should your Complainant be mistaken in the relief prayed for that there be granted to him such other, different and general relief to which he may be entitled, and as in duty bound he will ever pray.

  
Solicitor for Complainant

RUSSELL W. THOMPSON,  
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vs.

LEONA THOMPSON,  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA  
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ANSWER

Now comes Leona Thompson, the Respondent named in the above entitled cause, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint filed against her herein says:

1. She admits that the Complainant is over twenty-one years of age and a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that she is over twenty-one years of age and a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama.

2. The Respondent denies each and all of the other allegations of the Bill of Complaint and demands strict proof thereof.

3. The Respondent waives all formalities and requirements of law in connection with the taking of testimony in this cause, submission of the cause for final decree and any and all other notice or notices of every kind and nature which are or may be required in this cause.

Leona Thompson

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

BALDWIN COUNTY.

I, Fred A. Churton, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Leona Thompson, whose name is signed to the foregoing answer, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the said answer, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

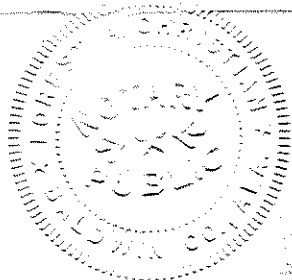
Given under my hand this 21st day of November 1946.

Fred A. Churton  
Notary Public

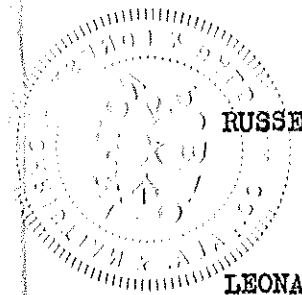
My commission expires:

12-27-49

Fred A. Churton  
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ANSWER

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*Alice J. Duck*  
*Reg.*

**THE STATE OF ALABAMA,**  
BALDWIN COUNTY**Circuit Court****To** Mildred Moore

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 Russel W. Thompson and B. D. Cobb

as witnesses in behalf of Complainant in a cause pending in our Circuit Court in Baldwin County, of said State, wherein Russel W. Thompson

is Complainant  
and Leona Thompson

is Respondent

on oath, to be by you administered, upon \_\_\_\_\_  
to take and certify the depositions of the witnesses and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1946

Alvin J. Smith  
Register

Commissioner's Fee, \$ 5.00

Witness' Fees, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

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COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

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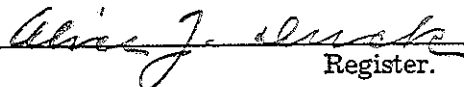
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Cecil G. Chason  
Atty. For Complainant

  
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