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

MARY HELGA DEAN Complainant

VS.

WILLIAM LEE DEAN Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~XXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXX Answer and Waiver~~ and Testimony as noted by the Register, and upon con-
sideration thereof, the Court is of the opinion that the ~~Complainant~~ ^{Complainant} is entitled to the relief prayed
for in said bill.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony here-
tofore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved,
and that the said MARY HELGA DEAN
is forever divorced from the said WILLIAM LEE DEAN

for and on account of Cruelty

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 MARY HELGA DEAN
the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 12th day of December, 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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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Baldwin County

IN EQUITY

Circuit Court of Baldwin County

This cause is submitted in behalf of Complaint upon the original Bill of Complaint,
Respondent's Answer and Waiver, and Testimony of MARY HELGA DEAN

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver

Jeffrey J. Madhury, Jr.

Alise J. Smith
Register.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
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NOTE OF TESTIMONY

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Respondent.

EQUITY NO. _____

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY

ANSWER OF RESPONDENT.

Comes now, WILLIAM LEE DEAN, Respondent in the above styled cause, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause, says:

1. That he admits having married the Complainant at Atmore, Escambia County, Alabama, on or about October 5, 1940.

2. That he denies each and every other allegation of the said Bill of Complaint, separately and severally.

3. Respondent hereby expressly waives service and notice of demand for oral examination of Complainant's Witnesses; of the issue of commission to take testimony; of notice of the time and place set for taking same; of the right to cross-examine Complainant's Witnesses; of the right to introduce evidence in his own behalf.

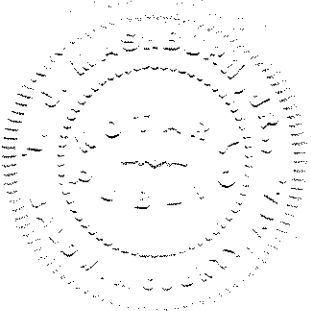
4. The Respondent further agrees that the said cause may be submitted for final decree at any time on the pleadings and on Complainant's evidence as noted by the Register.

5. The Respondent prays that, if the Honorable Court should render a decree against him as prayed by the Complainant, it will grant him the right to re-marry.

William Lee Dean
RESPONDENT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 12th day of November, 1946.

F. A. Mashburn Jr.
NOTARY PUBLIC, BALDWIN COUNTY,
ALABAMA.



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BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

MARY HELGA DEAN,
Complainant,

VS.

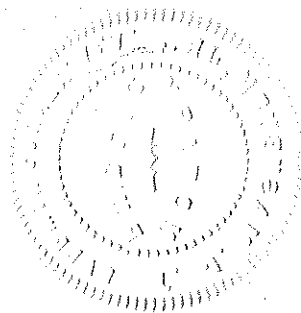
WILLIAM LEE DEAN,
Respondent.

ANSWER OF RESPONDENT.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama
(In Equity)

MARY HELGA DEAN

Complainant

VS.

WILLIAM LEE DEAN

Respondent

I, ALICE J. DUCK

as Register and Commissioner OF THE Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,
have called and caused to come before me MARY HELGA DEAN in equity,

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 4th day of December
1946, at the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County,
in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said Witness to speak the
truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said MARY HELGA DEAN

doth depose and say as follows: My name is Mary Helga Dean. I am the Complainant in this case and I am over the age of twenty-one years. I was living in Baldwin County, near Bay Minette, Alabama, at the time I was forced to leave my husband, and I had lived there since I was married to the Respondent on October 5, 1940. During the first few years after our marriage, my husband and I got along fine, but for the past several months he has been mean and abusive toward me. On October 26, 1946, he became angry at me and threatened to beat me. His manner was so abusive that I became convinced that, if I should continue to live with him as his wife, he would carry out his threats and would beat me up and that it would be dangerous to my life or health. I left him on October 26, 1946, and have not since that time returned to live with him. I did nothing to cause the said Respondent, William Lee Dean, to treat me as he did. We were married at Atmore, Alabama, on October 5, 1940. The said WILLIAM LEE DEAN is over the age of twenty-one years and he lives on the Rabon Route, near Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama.

Mary Helga Dean

ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, ALICE J. DUCK, as Register and Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition—on Oral Examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witness—and read over to ———— and ———— signed the same in the presence of myself TELFAIR J. MASHBURN, JR.

at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness—or had proom made before me of the identity of said witness—; that I am not of counsel or of kin to any of the parties to said cause, or any manner interested in the result thereof

I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court.

Given under my hand and seal, this 4th day of December, 194 6.

Alice J. Duck (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

vs. Complainant

Respondent.

Oral Deposition

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
COUNTY OF BALDWIN.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:--GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, that you summon WILLIAM LEE DEAN to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, exercising chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of this summons, and there to answer, plead or demur without oath to a bill of complaint lately exhibited by MARY HELGA DEAN against the said WILLIAM LEE DEAN, and further to do and perform what the said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf, and this the Respondent shall in no wise omit, under penalty of the law. And we further command you that you return this writ with your execution thereof.

Witness, Robert S. Duck, Register of said Court, this the 12 day of November, 1946.

R. S. Duck
REGISTER.

MARY HELGA DEAN,
Complainant,
Vs.
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Respondent.

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

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

Your Complainant, MARY HELGA DEAN, respectfully shows unto your Honor that she is, and has been for more than two years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint, a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama; that she was a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, at the time of her separation from the Respondent, residing on the Rabun Route near Bay Minette, Alabama; that at the present time she is a resident of Atmore, Escambia County, Alabama; that she is over the age of twenty-one years; and humbly complaining against the Respondent, your Complainant shows

unto your Honor the following facts as a basis for the relief hereinafter prayed:

1. That the Respondent is a resident of the State of Alabama, residing near Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that said Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years;

2. That your Complainant and the Respondent are husband and wife, having intermarried at Atmore, Alabama, on to-wit: October 5, 1940; that they lived together as husband and wife until to-wit: October 26, 1946, in Baldwin County, near Bay Minette, Alabama;

3. That on, to-wit: October 26, 1946, and for a long time prior thereto, the Respondent cursed, threatened and abused your Complainant; that on, to-wit: October 26, 1946, the Respondent threatened your Complainant so violently as to cause her to believe that, if she continued to live with him as his wife, he would carry out his threats and commit actual violence on her person which would be dangerous to her life or health; that, as a result of said Respondent's actions, your Complainant was forced to leave him and has not since that time returned to live with him as his wife; that your Complainant did nothing to cause the Respondent to treat her as he did;

4. That there are no children as a result of this marriage.

WHEREFORE, The premises considered, your Complainant prays that this Honorable Court will take jurisdiction of the cause made by this Bill of Complaint; and that by proper process the said WILLIAM LEE DEAN be made a party defendant hereto, requiring him to plead, answer or demur to the same within the time and under the pains and penalties prescribed by law and the practice of this Honorable Court.

Your Complainant further prays that upon a final hearing of this cause this Honorable Court will make and enter a decree forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between your Complainant and the said WILLIAM LEE DEAN; and your Complainant prays for such other, further, different or general relief as in equity and good conscience she is entitled to receive, and as in duty bound she will ever pray.

SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT.