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BALDWIN COUNTY.

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**AGDSUBORDINATE LEGAL NOTICE**

In the Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Alabama, In Equity, No. 284.

ROXIE ASKEW, Complainant, vs. JOHN ASKEW, Respondent.

It being made to appear in the above cause from the affidavit of Leslie Hall, the Solicitor of record for the Complainant, that John Askew, the Respondent to the Bill of Complaint in said cause, is a non-resident of this State, when last heard from was a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, and is believed by the affiant to reside at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, but whose Post Office address is otherwise unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent search and inquiry, and further, that in the belief of the affiant, the said Respondent is over twenty-one years of age; it is now Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed that the said Respondent, John Askew, appear in this Court and plead, answer, or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause before the 18th day of January, 1937, lest on his having failed to do so at the expiration of thirty days from said date, a Decree Pro Confesso be taken against him; and it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Register of this Court have this order published with a little delay as may be, in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in this county, once a week for four consecutive weeks; and further that within twenty days from the making of this order, he post a copy of this order at the door of the court house of this county, and send another copy hereof, to the said Respondent, John Askew.

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

ROXIE ASKEW,

Complainant

vs.

JOHN ASKEW,

Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on Service by Publication, 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 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 that the said ROXIE ASKEW is forever divorced from the said

JOHN ASKEW

for and on account of Abandonment.

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 said Roxie Askew and John Askew be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

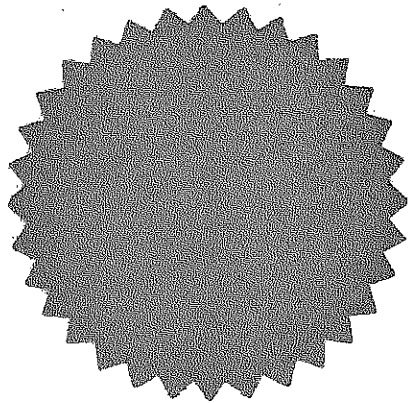
It is further ordered that the Complainant, Roxie Askew, the Complainant, pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 20th day of February, 1937

[Signature]

Judge Circuit Court, in Equity.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Register of the Circuit Court for 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\_\_\_\_\_

Register of Circuit Court, in Equity.

# CHANCERY EXECUTION

## BILL OF COSTS

No. 284

*Ronie Asker*

VS.

*John Asker*

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANT

FEES OF REGISTER	Dollars	Cents	Brought Forward .....	\$	Cents
Filing each bill and other papers .....	\$ 10	100		7	57
Issuing each subpoena .....	50		For Receiving, keeping and paying out or distributing money, etc.: 1st \$1,000, 1%, all over \$1,000, and not over \$5,000, 3-4 of 1%; all over \$5,000 and not exceeding \$10,000, 1-2 of 1%, all over \$10,000 1-4 of 1%.		
Issuing each copy thereof .....	40		Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into court, etc., 1-2 of 1% of amount received.		
Entering each return thereof .....	15		Each notice sent by mail to creditor .....	15	
For each order of publication .....	1 00	100	Filing receipting for and docketing each claim, etc. ....	25	
Issuing Writ of injunction .....	1 50		For all entries on subpoena docket, etc.	50	
For each copy thereof .....	50		For all entries on commission docket, etc.	50	50
Entering each return thereof .....	15		Making final record. per 100 words .....	15	400
Issuing Writ of Attachment .....	1 00		Certified copy of decree .....	1 00	100
Entering each return thereof .....	15		Report of divorce to State Health Office (Acts 1915) .....	50	50
Docketing each case .....	1 00	100			
Entering each appearance .....	25		<b>TOTAL FEES OF REGISTER..</b>		
Issuing each decree pro confesso on per ser. 1 00	1 00		<b>FEES OF SHERIFF</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>57</b>
Issuing each decree pro confesso on publica 1 00	1 00	100	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		Levyng attachment .....	3 00	
Issuing Commission to take testimony .....	50	50	Entering and returning same .....	25	
Receiving and filing .....	10	20	Selling property attached .....		
Endorsing each package .....	10	20	Impaneling Jury .....	75	
Entering order submitting cause .....	50	20	Executing Writ of possession .....	2 50	
Entering any other order of court .....	25	50	Collecting execution for costs .....	1 50	110
Noting all testimony .....	50	50	Serving and returning sci. fa., each .....	65	
Abstract of cause, etc. ....	1 00	50	Serving and returning notice .....	65	
Entering each decree .....	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 00		Serving attachment, contempt of court. 1 50		
Issuing each subpoena .....	25				
Witness certificate, each .....	25		<b>TOTAL FEES OF SHERIFF..</b>		<b>150</b>
Issuing execution, each .....	75		<b>RECAPITULATION</b>		
Entering each return .....	15	71	Register's Fees .....	13	57
Taking and approving bond, each .....	1 00	15	Sheriff's Fees .....	110	
Making copy of bill, etc .....	15	50	Commissioner's Fees <i>Waived</i> .....		
Each notice not otherwise provided for .....	50	7 57	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	3 00		Printer's Fees <i>Baldwin</i> .....	3 00	1336
Each settlement with Receiver, etc. ....	3 00		Trial Tax .....		308
Examining each voucher of Receiver, etc .....	10		Recording Decree in Probate Court .....		
Examining each answer, etc. ....	3 00				
Recording resignation, etc. ....	75		<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>31</b>	<b>41</b>
Entering each certificate to Supreme Court 50	50				
Taking questions and answers, etc .....	25				
For all other ser relating to such proceedings 1 00	1 00				
For services in proceeding to relieve minors, etc., same fee 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 cent; all over \$1,000, and not exceeding \$20,000, 1 per ct; all over 20,000, 1-4 of 1 per cent.					
Sub Total Carried Forward .....					

**The State of Alabama,**  
Baldwin County

No. 284

Circuit Court, In Equity

Feb 20

Term, 1937

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded, That of the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of

*Ronie Asker*

Defendant

you cause to be made the sum of

Dollars,

which

Plaintiff

recovered of

*him*

on the 20

day of Feb

1937

by the judgment of our Circuit Court, held for the county of Baldwin, besides the sum of

*Thirty one and 4/100*

Dollars,

costs of suit, and have the same to render to the said

*Asker*

and make return of this Writ and the execution thereof, according to law.

Interest from \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_ to date of collection.

Witness my hand, this

10

day of

*March*

1937

*Asker*

Register

The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To MISS CORNELIA HALL, Bay Minette, Alabama,

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. Roxie Askew, the Complainant; and John W. Wheeler.

as witnesses in behalf of the Complainant in a cause pending in our Circuit Court of Baldwin County, of said State, wherein ROXIE ASKEW

is Complainant

and JOHN ASKEW

is Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon said Roxie Askew and John W. Wheeler, to take and certify the deposition s. of the witnesses es. and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 19th day of February 1937

R. S. Duck

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$ Maied

REGISTER

WITNESS' FEES, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA. IN EQUITY

No. *2800*

*Race Astor*  
VS.

PLAINTIFF

*John Astor*

DEFENDANT

## BILL OF COSTS

	Dollars	Cents			
<b>FEES OF REGISTER</b>			Brought Forward ----- \$ <i>665</i>		
Filing each bill and other papers	\$ 10	<i>100</i>	For Receiving, keeping and paying out or distributing money, etc.: 1st \$1,000, 1%, all over \$1,000, and not over \$5,000, 3-4 of 1%; all over \$5,000 and not exceeding \$10,000, 1-2 of 1%, all over \$10,000 1-4 of 1%.		
Issuing each subpoena	50	<i>5</i>	Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into court, etc., 1-2 of 1% of amount received.		
Issuing each copy thereof	40		Each notice sent by mail to creditor	15	
Entering each return thereof	15		Filing receipting for and docketing each claim, etc.	25	
For each order of publication	1 00	<i>100</i>	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	<i>50</i>
Issuing Writ of Attachment	1 00		Report of divorce to State Health Office (Acts 1915)	50	<i>100</i>
Entering each return thereof	15		<b>TOTAL FEES OF REGISTER..</b>		<i>50</i>
Docketing each case	1 00	<i>100</i>	<b>FEES OF SHERIFF</b>		<i>1265</i>
Entering each appearance	25		Serving and returning subpoena on deft.	\$1 50	
Issuing each decree pro confesso on per ser.	1 00		Serving and returning subpoena for witness	65	
Issuing each decree pro confesso on publica	1 00	<i>100</i>	Levyng attachment	1 50	
Each order appointing guardian	1 00		Entering and returning same	25	
Any other order by Register	50		Selling property attached		
Issuing Commission to take testimony	50	<i>50</i>	Impaneling Jury	75	
Receiving and filing	10	<i>20</i>	Executing Writ of possession	2 50	
Endorsing each package	10	<i>20</i>	Collecting execution for costs	1 50	
Entering order submitting cause	50	<i>20</i>	Serving and returning sci. fa., each	65	
Entering any other order of court	25	<i>50</i>	Serving and returning notice	65	
Noting all testimony	50	<i>50</i>	Serving and returning writ of injunction	1 50	
Abstract of cause, etc.	1 00		Serving and returning writ of exeat	1 50	
Entering each decree	75	<i>25</i>	Taking and approving bonds, each	75	
For every 100 words over 500	15	<i>65</i>	Collecting money on execution		
Taking account, etc.	3 00		Making Deed	2 50	
Taking testimony, etc.	15		Serving and returning application, etc.	1 00	
Each report, 500 words or less	2 50		Serving attachment, contempt of court	1 50	
For every 100 words over 500	15		<b>TOTAL FEES OF SHERIFF..</b>		
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc.	2 00		<b>RECAPITULATION</b>		
Issuing each subpoena	25		Register's Fees		<i>1265</i>
Witness certificate, each	25		Sheriff's Fees		
Issuing execution, each	75		Commissioner's Fees		
Entering each return	15		Solicitor's Fees		
Taking and approving bond, each	1 00		Witness Fees		
Making copy of bill, etc.	15		Guardian Ad Litem		
Each notice not otherwise provided for	50		Printer's Fees		
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal	50		Trial Tax	3 00	<i>1336</i>
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal	25		Recording Decree in Probate Court		<i>300</i>
Hearing and passing on application, etc.	3 00		<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<i>2901</i>
Each settlement with Receiver, etc.	3 00				
Examing each voucher of Receiver, etc.	10				
Examing 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 ser relating to such proceedings	1 00				
For services in proceeding to relieve minors, etc., same fee as in similar cases.					
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<b>Sub Total Carried Forward</b>					

Received payment this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_\_\_\_

Register.

ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,  
  
vs.  
  
JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

In Equity, No. \_\_\_\_\_  
  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Bill for Divorce

TO THE HONORABLE FRANCIS W. HARE, Judge of the Circuit Court  
of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity Sitting:

ROXIE ASKEW, by this her Bill of Complaint presented against JOHN ASKEW, respectfully shows:

1. That your Complainant is and has been a bona fide resident citizen of this State for twelve months next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; that she is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama; and that she is over the age of twenty-one years.
2. That the Respondent is not a resident of the State of Alabama, but is a resident of the State of Louisiana; that, when last heard from, to-wit, more than ten years ago, the said Respondent was a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, but your Complainant is informed and believes that the said Respondent is now a resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; that although she has made diligent search and inquiry, to-wit: by actual trips to both of said cities, she has been unable to ascertain the exact place of residence or Post Office address of the said Respondent; and that the said Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years.
3. That on, to-wit: the 28th day of November, 1912, your Complainant was married to the Respondent at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, and that they lived together as man and wife from that date until, <sup>to-wit:</sup> the fifth Sunday in May, 1914.
4. That on or about, to-wit: the fifth Sunday in May, 1914, the Respondent voluntarily abandoned your Complainant, from bed and board, and that the said abandonment has been continuous for a period of more than two years next preceding the

filing of this Bill of Complaint.

5. That on or about, to-wit: the fifth Sunday in May, 191<sup>4</sup>, the Respondent and your Complainant were separated, and that since that date your Complainant has lived separate and apart from the bed and board of the said Respondent for more than two years, continuously, and without support from him for more than two years, continuously, next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; and that the said Complainant has been a bona fide resident of this State during said period.

6. That the said Abandonment and Separation were without cause, fault, or consent upon the part of your orator.

PRAYER FOR PROCESSE

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Complainant prays that the said JOHN ASKEW be made Respondent to this Bill of Complaint, and that, by proper notice to be served upon him as provided by law, he be notified to answer the same within the time prescribed by law, and to abide by such orders as may be made in the premises.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

YOUR COMPLAINANT further prays that upon a hearing or submission of this cause, a Decree may be rendered in her favor forever divorcing her from the said JOHN ASKEW, and that the bonds of matrimony between herself and the Respondent be dissolved; that Your Honor decree to Your Complainant the right to re-marry, should she so desire; and if your Complainant has not asked for the proper relief, the premises considered, she prays that the said Honorable Court may grant her such further, additional, and different relief as to Your Honor may seem meet, just, and proper in Equity.

*Adelle D. Hall*

Solicitor for the Complainant.

Complainant  
 ROYAL WALKER

THE HONORABLE COURT  
 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF  
 WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF  
 COLUMBIA



ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,  
  
vs.  
  
JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

In Equity, No. 284.  
  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Testimony of John W. Wheeler  
for the Complainant.

The said witness, John W. Wheeler,  
being first duly and legally sworn, upon examination by the  
Solicitor for the Complainant, testified as follows:

"My name is John W. Wheeler.  
I am over the age of twenty-one years. I live at Bay Minette,  
Alabama.

"I know Roxie Askew, the Complainant in this cause.  
Roxie Askew has been a bona fide resident citizen of this State  
and county for more than twelve months next preceding the filing  
of the bill of Complaint in this case.

"I know that Roxie Askew was married to John Askew  
about 24 years ago at Bay Minette, Alabama; that they lived  
together as man and wife for about two years; that John Askew  
then left his wife, Roxie Askew and has not since that time  
returned to live with her, but has wholly abandoned her; it is  
my information and firm belief that his leaving was without  
cause, fault, or consent on the part of Roxie Askew. It is  
also my information and belief that the said John Askew has not  
provided for nor supported the said Roxie Askew since the time  
he left her some 24 years ago.

"I am informed and believe that John Askew is not a  
resident of the State of Alabama, but is probably a resident  
of the State of Louisiana, as he was last heard from while living  
in New Orleans, Louisiana."

John W. Wheeler

STATE OF ALABAMA )  
BALDWIN COUNTY )

I, Cornelia Hall, Commissioner in  
the above-styled cause, hereby certify that on the 19th day of  
February, 1937, I caused the witness, Roxie  
John W. Wheeler, whose name is subscribed to the  
foregoing noted testimony, to appear before me at my office in  
Bay Minette, Alabama, where, after being duly and legally sworn,  
and upon examination by Leslie Hall, Solicitor for the Complain-  
ant, she testified as hereinabove set forth; that his testimony  
was taken down by me as near as might be in the language of him-  
self, and that after being written down, was read over and signed  
by him in my presence. I further certify that I am neither  
counsel nor of kin to either party in said cause, or in any way  
interested in the result thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this the 19th day of  
February, 1937.

Cornelia Hall (Seal).  
Commissioner.



ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,  
  
vs.  
  
JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

Equity No. 284.  
  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Testimony of ROXIE ASKEW, the Complainant.

The said witness, ROXIE ASKEW, being first duly and legally sworn, upon examination by the Solicitor for the Complainant, testified as follows:

"My name is Roxie Askew. I am the Complainant in this cause. I am over the age of twenty-one years. For more than twelve months next preceding the filing of the Bill of Complaint in this cause, I was a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama, residing in Baldwin County, Alabama.

"John Askew, the Respondent in this Cause, is not a resident of this State, but is a resident of the State of Louisiana. When last heard from, he was a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, but I have not heard from him in a very long time. Recently, I made a trip to New Orleans to try to locate him, and although I made careful search and diligent inquiry, I was unable to find him. I was informed by an old acquaintance of his that he was in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, but I made a trip to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where I was unable to find the said John Askew, even though I made very careful search and inquiry for him at that place. John Askew is over the age of twenty-one years.

"The said John Askew, the Respondent, and I were married at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, on November 28th, 1912, and we lived together as man and wife at that place until about the fifth Sunday in May, 1914, when the said John Askew, my husband, left me and voluntarily abandoned my bed and board and has continued to live separate and apart from me from that date, never having returned to live with me. He went to Louisiana and lived in New Orleans many years, but during recent years I have been unable to locate him. During all of this time, I have received no support from him. During this time, I have been a bona fide resident of this State. The Abandonment and Separation were without cause, fault, or consent on my part."

Roxie Askew -

STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

I, Leslie Hall,

Commissioner in the above-styled cause, hereby certify that on the 19th day of February, 1937, I caused the witness Roxie Askew, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing testimony, to appear before me at my office, in Bay Minette, Alabama, where, after being duly and legally sworn, and upon examination by Leslie Hall, Solicitor for the Complainant, she testified as hereinabove set forth; that her testimony was taken down by me as near as might be in the language of herself, and that after being written down, was read over and signed by her in my presence. I further certify that I am neither counsel nor of kin to either party in said cause, or in any way interested in the result thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this the 19th day of February, 1937.

Leslie Hall (Seal).  
Commissioner.

ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,  
  
vs.  
  
JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

In Equity, No. 784  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Its being made to appear in the above cause from the affidavit of Leslie Hall, the Solicitor of record for the Complainant, that John Askew, the Respondent to the Bill of Complaint in said cause, is a non-resident of this State, when last heard from was a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, and is believed by the affiant to reside at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, but whose Post Office address is otherwise unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent search and inquiry; and further, that in the belief of the affiant, the said Respondent is over twenty-one years of age; it is now ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that the said Respondent, John Askew, appear in this Court and plead, answer, or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause before the 15th day of January, 1937, least on his having failed to do so at the expiration of thirty days from said date, a Decree Pro Confesso be taken against him; and it is further ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the Register of this Court have this order published with as little delay as may be in The Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in this county, once a week for four consecutive weeks; and further that within twenty days from the making of this order, he post a copy of this order at the door of the courthouse of this county, and send another copy hereto to the said Respondent, John Askew, to his address as aforesaid.  
On writ, judgment and decree, this 15th day of December, 1936.

<p>IN EQUITY BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA CIRCUIT COURT</p>	<p>Non-Resident Respondent ORDER OF PUBLICATION</p>	<p>ROXIE ASKEW, Plaintiff</p>	<p>JOHN ASKEW, Defendant</p>
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*P. A. Duck*

*784*  
ON FILE

ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,  
vs.  
JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

In Equity, No. 287  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT,  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

STATE OF ALABAMA §  
:  
BALDWIN COUNTY §

AFFIDAVIT FOR PUBLICATION  
AGAINST NON-RESIDENT

Before me, Mary Lou Fortenberry,  
a Notary Public in and for said County in  
said State, personally appeared Leslie Hall, the Solicitor for  
the Complainant in the above stated cause, and known to me,  
who, being first duly and legally sworn, says on oath that  
in his belief, John Askew, the Respondent in said Cause, is a  
non-resident of the State of Alabama; that his residence is  
unknown; that the said John Askew is over the age of twenty-one  
years; that when last heard from, the said John Askew was a  
resident of the State of Louisiana, and has been for many years;  
that the Respondent's last known place of residence was in  
New Orleans, Louisiana, but the exact place of such residence  
is not known and cannot be ascertained on diligent inquiry;  
that the affiant is informed and believes that the Respondent  
now resides in Baton Rouge, in the State of Louisiana, but that  
this cannot be verified upon diligent inquiry, nor is he able,  
after diligent search and inquiry, to ascertain the exact street  
address or other Post Office address of the said Respondent;  
and that in the belief of the affiant, an order of service by  
publication is necessary to give the Honorable Court jurisdiction  
of the Respondent.

Leslie Hall  
Solicitor for the Complainant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Nov,  
1936.

Mary Lou Fortenberry  
Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,  
vs.  
JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

In Equity, No. 284  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Its being made to appear in the above cause from the affidavit of Leslie Hall, the Solicitor of record for the Complainant, that John Askew, the Respondent to the Bill of Complaint in said cause, is a non-resident of this State, when last heard from was a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, and is believed by the affiant to reside at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, but whose Post Office address is otherwise unknown and cannot be ascertained after diligent search and inquiry; and further, that in the belief of the affiant, the said Respondent is over twenty-one years of age; it is now ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that the said Respondent, John Askew, appear in this Court and plead, answer, or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause before the 18th day of January, 1937, lest on his having failed to do so at the expiration of thirty days from said date, a Decree Pro Confesso be taken against him; and it is further ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the Register of this Court have this order published with as little delay as may be in The Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in this county, once a week for four consecutive weeks; and further that within twenty days from the making of this order, he post a copy of this order at the door of the courthouse of this county, and send another copy hereof to the said Respondent, John Askew, to his address as aforesaid.

Ordered, adjudged, and decreed, this 15th day of December, 1936.

R. S. Duck  
Register.

The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 284 February Term, 1937

ROXIE ASKEW Complainant

vs. JOHN ASKEW Defendant

In this cause it appears to the Register Robert S. Duck, that the order of publication heretofore made in this cause, was published for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the 17th day of December, 1936, in the BALDWIN TIMES a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, that a copy of said order was posted at the Court House door in Baldwin County, on the 15th day of December, 1936, and a copy thereof forwarded by mail to the Defendant at New Orleans, Louisiana, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 15th day of December, 1936;

And it now further appearing to the Register Robert S. Duck, that the said John Askew,

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 Robert S. Duck that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said JOHN ASKEW.

This 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1937.

R. S. Duck Register.

said witnesses reside in the County of Baldwin, at Bay Minette, State of Alabama.

Miss Cornelia Hall, who resides at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama,

or, The Register of this Court is suggested as a suitable person to be appointed Commissioner to take the deposition of said witness on such oral examination.

Cornelia Hall Solicitor for Complainant, Roxie Askew.

ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,

vs.

JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

In Equity, No. 284

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

Bill for Divorce

TO THE HONORABLE FRANCIS W. HARE, Judge of the Circuit Court  
of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity Sitting:

ROXIE ASKEW, by this her Bill of Complaint presented against JOHN ASKEW, respectfully shows:

1. That your Complainant is and has been a bona fide resident citizen of this State for twelve months next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; that she is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama; and that she is over the age of twenty-one years.

2. That the Respondent is not a resident of the State of Alabama, but is a resident of the State of Louisiana; that, when last heard from, to-wit, more than ten years ago, the said Respondent was a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana, but your Complainant is informed and believes that the said Respondent is now a resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; that although she has made diligent search and inquiry, to-wit: by actual trips to both of said cities, she has been unable to ascertain the exact place of residence or Post Office address of the said Respondent; and that the said Respondent is over the age of twenty-one years.

3. That on, to-wit: the 28th day of November, 1912, your Complainant was married to the Respondent at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama, and that they lived together as man and wife from that date until <sup>to-wit:</sup> the fifth Sunday in May, 1914.

4. That on or about, to-wit: the fifth Sunday in May, 1914, the Respondent voluntarily abandoned your Complainant, from bed and board, and that the said abandonment has been continuous for a period of more than two years next preceding the

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filing of this Bill of Complaint.

5. That on or about, to-wit: the fifth Sunday in May, 191~~4~~5, the Respondent and your Complainant were separated, and that since that date your Complainant has lived separate and apart from the bed and board of the said Respondent for more than two years, continuously, and without support from him for more than two years, continuously, next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint; and that the said Complainant has been a bona fide resident of this State during said period.

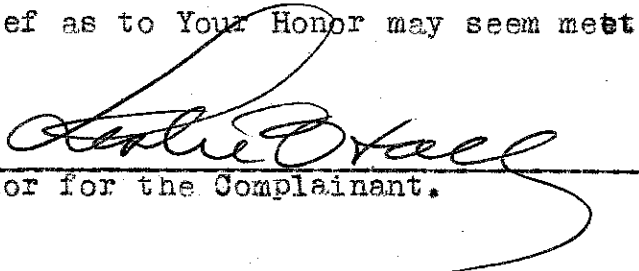
6. That the said Abandonment and Separation were without cause, fault, or consent upon the part of your orator.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Complainant prays that the said JOHN ASKEW be made Respondent to this Bill of Complaint, and that, by proper notice to be served upon him as provided by law, he be notified to answer the same within the time prescribed by law, and to abide by such orders as may be made in the premises.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

YOUR COMPLAINANT further prays that upon a hearing or submission of this cause, a Decree may be rendered in her favor forever divorcing her from the said JOHN ASKEW, and that the bonds of matrimony between herself and the Respondent be dissolved; that Your Honor decree to Your Complainant the right to re-marry, should she so desire; and if your Complainant has not asked for the proper relief, the premises considered, she prays that the said Honorable Court may grant her such further, additional, and different relief as to Your Honor may seem meet, just, and proper in Equity.

  
Solicitor for the Complainant.



The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 284 February Term, 1937

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This 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1937.

R. S. Duck Register.



The State of Alabama  
BALDWIN COUNTY  
CIRCUIT COURT

ROXIE ASKEW

Complainant

vs.

JOHN ASKEW

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:  
MISS CORNELIA HALL

WITNESSES:

Roxie Askew

John W. Wheeler



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HOXIE ASKEW

vs. Complainant.

JOHN ASKEW

Respondent.

DIVORCE DECREE

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Complainant.

vs.

JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

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AFFIDAVIT  
OF  
NON-RESIDENCE OF RESPONDENT.

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Baldwin County, Alabama  
In Equity

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day of December, 1936.

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ROXIE ASKEW,  
Complainant,

vs.

JOHN ASKEW,  
Respondent.

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Order of Publication against  
Non-Resident Respondent

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BAY MINETTE, ALA.



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John Askew,  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Baldwin County. }

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 284. February, Term, 1937

ROXIE ASKEW, Complainant

Vs.

JOHN ASKEW, Defendant

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against John Askew, 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 19th day of February, 1937

*[Signature]*  
Solicitor

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CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

ROXIE ASKEW,

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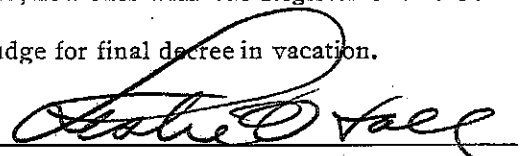
JOHN ASKEW

, Defendant

To Robert S. Duck, 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 Leslie 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.

  
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Solicitor for Complainant.

ROXIE ASKEW,

Complainant,

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
Baldwin County



ROXIE ASKEW,

Complainant,

vs.

JOHN ASKEW,

Respondent.

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,  
Service by publication, Motion for Decree Pro Confesso, Decree  
Pro Confesso, Testimony of Roxie Askew and of John W. Wheeler,  
and Request for Decree in Vacation,

and in behalf of Defendant upon

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**The State of Alabama**  
BALDWIN COUNTY

**IN EQUITY**  
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ROXIE ASKEW

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JOHN ASKEW

**NOTE OF TESTIMONY**

Filed in Open Court this 19 th

day of February 1937

*[Signature]*

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