

CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA. IN EQUITY

PLAINTIFF
VS.
DEFENDANT

Earl E. Lawrence vs. *Madison Lawrence*
No. 22

BILL OF COSTS

Description	Dollars	Cents	Sub Total Carried Forward	Received payment this day of	193	Register.
Filing each bill and other papers	\$ 10					
Issuing each subpoena	50					
Issuing each copy thereof	40					
Entering each return thereof	15					
For each order of publication	1 00					
Issuing Writ of injunction	1 50					
For each copy thereof	50					
Entering each return thereof	15					
Issuing Writ of Attachment	1 00					
Entering each return thereof	15					
Entering each appearance	25					
Issuing each decree pro confesso on per ser.	1 00					
Issuing each decree pro confesso on public	1 00					
Each order appointing guardian	1 00					
Any other order by Register	1 00					
Issuing Commission to take testimony	50					
Receiving and filing	10					
Endorsing each package	10					
Entering order submitting cause	50					
Entering any other order of court	25					
Noting all testimony	50					
Abstract of cause, etc.	1 00					
Entering each decree	75					
For every 100 words over 500	15					
Taking account, etc.	3 00					
Taking testimony, etc.	15					
For every 500 words or less	2 50					
For every 100 words over 500	15					
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc.	2 00					
Issuing each subpoena	25					
Witness certificate, each	25					
Issuing execution, each	75					
Entering each return	15					
Taking and approving bond, each	1 00					
Making copy of bill, etc.	15					
Each notice not otherwise provided for	50					
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal	50					
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal	25					
Hearing and passing on application, etc.	3 00					
Each settlement with Receiver, etc.	3 00					
Examining each voucher of Receiver, etc.	10					
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 set relating to such proceedings	1 00					
For services in proceeding to relieve min-ors, etc., same fee as in similar cases.						
Commission on sales, etc.: 1st \$100, 2 per cent; all over \$100 and not exceeding \$1,000, 1-2 per cent; all over \$1,000, 1-4 of 1 per cent.						
FEE'S OF REGISTER						
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FEE'S OF SHERIFF						
Serving and returning subpoena on deft.	\$ 1 50					
Serving and returning subpoena for witness	65					
Levying attachment	1 50					
Entering and returning same	25					
Selling property attached	75					
Impaneling Jury	2 50					
Executing Writ of possession	1 50					
Collecting execution for costs	1 50					
Serving and returning sc. fa., each	65					
Serving and returning notice	65					
Serving and returning writ of injunction	1 50					
Serving and returning writ of exeat	1 50					
Taking and approving bonds, each	75					
Collecting money on execution	2 50					
Making Deed	1 00					
Serving and returning application, etc.	1 00					
Serving attachment, contempt of court	1 50					
TOTAL FEES OF SHERIFF						
TOTAL FEES OF REGISTER	3 00					
Report of divorce to State Health Office (Acts 1915)	50					
Certified copy of decree	1 00					
Making final record, per 100 words	15					
etc.	50					
For all entries on subpoena docket, etc.	50					
For all entries on commission docket, claim, etc.	25					
Filing receipting for and docketing each	15					
Each notice sent by mail to creditor	15					
1% of amount received						
Receiving, keeping and paying out money paid into court, etc., 1-2 of 1%						
1%, all over \$10,000 1-4 of 1%.						
1%, all over \$10,000 1-2 of 1%.						
over \$5,000, 3-4 of 1%; all over \$5,000 and not exceeding \$10,000, 1-2 of 1%.						
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%.						
TOTAL RECAPITULATION						
Register's Fees						
Sheriff's Fees						
Commissioner's Fees						
Solicitor's Fees						
Witness Fees						
Guardian Ad Litem						
Printer's Fees						
Trial Tax						
Recording Decree in Probate Court	3 00					
TOTAL						

Brought Forward

\$4.01

10.35

10.21

3.00

18.55

(332)

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

EVELYN E. LAWRENCE, Complainant

vs.

SHELDON E. LAWRENCE, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso
of ANSWER AND WAIVER, 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 hereto-
fore existing between the Complainant and Defendant be, and the same are hereby, dissolved, and that
the said EVELYN E. LAWRENCE
is forever divorced from the said

SHELDON E. LAWRENCE

for and on account of

ADULTERY, and 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 EVELYN E. LAWRENCE and SHELDON E. LAWRENCE
be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of
this suit.

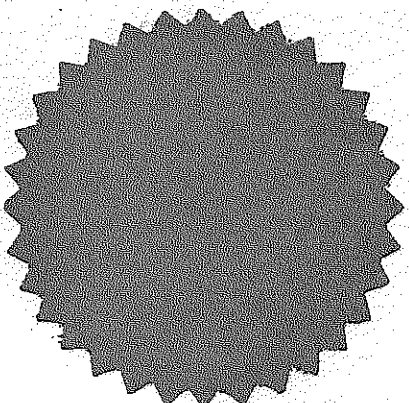
It is further ordered that EVELYN E. LAWRENCE,
the COMPLAINANT pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 8th day of July, 19 37.

J. M. Ware

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.

TO THE HONORABLE FRANCIS W. HARE

JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

SITTING IN EQUITY:

Comes EVYLIN E. LAWRENCE and by this her bill of complaint presented against SHELDON LAWRENCE, respectfully shows:

FIRST: That she and the defendant above named are both over the age of twenty-one years, that she is now and has been for more than five years next prior to the filing of this bill a bona fide resident of the County of Baldwin, that up to the latter part of the year 1936 defendant had been a resident of said State and County but later removed to the State of California where he now resides. That they were lawfully married in Baldwin County in the Summer of 1936 and lived together as husband and wife in Fairhope until the Fall of that year when he left her, and since that time they have lived separate and apart.

SECOND: That since the date of the marriage aforesaid the defendant has been guilty of acts of adultery but the time and place of such acts and the persons with whom committed complainant does not know and is hence unable to state with greater particularity.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, complainant prays that the said Sheldon Lawrence be made party defendant to this bill and by appropriate process required to answer same within the time prescribed by law.

Complainant further prays that upon hearing of this cause a decree be rendered forever divorcing her from the said Sheldon Lawrence, granting her the right to marry again should she so desire, to resume her maiden name and such others further or different relief as to equity may seem mete.

Bevin E. R. R. R.
Solicitor for Complainant.

EVYLIN E. LAWRENCE
Complainant

VS

SHELDON LAWRENCE
Respondent

E Q U I T Y

CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Comes SHELDON LAWRENCE, Respondent in the above cause and for answer to the bill of Complainant says that he denies each allegation of same.

He further waives service and notice of demand for oral examination of Complainant's witnesses, the issue of commission to take their testimony, notice of the time and place of taking same and of the right to introduce evidence in his own behalf. He further agrees that this cause may be submitted for final decree at any time upon the pleadings and Complainant's evidence as noted by the Register.

Sheldon E. Lawrence
Respondent.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF BUTTE

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Sheldon Lawrence who acknowledged before me that being informed of the contents of the foregoing answer he executed the same voluntarily on this the 17 day of April, 1937. Witness my hand and official seal.

Leon B. Chase

Notary Public, Butte County, California

EVELYN E. LAWRENCE,
Complainant,

E Q U I T Y .

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN

VS

COUNTY, ALABAMA.

SHELDON E. LAWRENCE,
Respondent.

DEPOSITION OF EVELYN E. LAWRENCE, WITNESS FOR COMPLAINANT.

The said witness, appearing before me, Joseph Pose, acting as Commissioner by agreement of parties, and being first duly sworn, upon examination by E.G. Rickarby, Esq., Solicitor for Complainant, testified as follows:

I am the Complainant in this cause, am over the age of twenty-one years and am now, and have been for more than five years next preceeding the filing of this bill a bona fide resident of Fairhope, Baldwin County Alabama. Sheldon Lawrence, to whom I was married on the 14th day of July, 1936 is also over the age of twenty-one years and until after our marriage was also a resident of Baldwin County until he left me about July 21st 1936.

After we married we lived together with my people in Fairhope till July 21st when he left me and went to California where he has been ever since except a short visit to Fairhope this Spring. Since he left me last Summer (1936) we have lived separate and apart and have had no marital relations. When he came back this Spring he wanted me to come and live with him again but after what he had done I would not do so and he soon went back and has been in Gridley, California ever since.

After he left me in July 1936 I learned that he had been untrue to me and I have been through with him as a husband ever since. I do not know of his adultery of my own knowledge but I am satisfied that it is true and have not condoned it in any way. I live with my parents in Fairhope and he lives at a little town called Gridley in the State of California.

Evelyn E. Lawrence

I, Joseph Pose, acting as Commissioner by agreement of parties in a cause pending in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County Alabama, on the Equity side wherein Evelyn E. Lawrence is complainant and Sheldon E. Lawrence Respondent, hereby certify

that I caused Evelyn Lawrence, known to me to be a witness for Complainant to appear before me at my office in Fairhope, Alabama, on June 19, 1937, where, after being sworn to tell the truth, upon examination by the Solicitor for the Complainant, she testified as is above set forth; that her testimony was reduced to writing as near as might be in the language of the witness and after being read over by her, was signed by her in my presence.

I further certify that I am neither of counsel nor of kin to either party to the cause or in anywise interested in the result thereof.

Witness my hand and seal as Commissioner this the 19th day of June 1937

Joseph Pace

Commissioner.

EVELYN E. LAWRENCE
Complainant ,

vs.

SHELDON E. LAWRENCE
Respondent,

EQUITY
CIRCUIT COURT
of
BALDWIN COUNTY
ALABAMA.

The deposition of Claude Lawrence, a witness
for Complainant, taken before ~~xxxxxxChasxxxxxx~~
~~missixxxx~~, acting by agreement of both parties.

Leona B Chase, Notary Public. ^{RBC}
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The said witness being first duly sworn,
testified in answer to the interrogatories pro-
pounded to him as follows:

To interrogatory one he says:

I am well acquainted with Sheldon Lawrence and
have known him for more than twenty years.

To inty., two he says:

I have known of acts of adultery committed by
him since he and his wife parted in the late summer of
1936 and some of these I know of to my personal knowledge.

To inty., three he says:

I do not remember the details and dates of but
one occasion and that was on the night of August 6th, 1936,
soon after he left Fairhope and came out to California. On
that night he and I went to the Golden Empire, a night club,
in Marysville, California where we meet up with two girls in
the bar-room there and took them out with us in our car, after
riding around for about an hour we decided to spend the night
together and drove out to one of the tourist camps on the
roadside where we registered under fictitious names as two
married couples and after drinking the best part of a quart
of brandy, each of us went to bed with his girl. We stayed

with them all night and took them to their home early the next morning. I know that he committed adultery on that occasion and also others but do not remember the name of the girl with whom he slept.

Sheldon and his wife had parted at that time and have lived apart ever since, she in Fairhope and he at Gridley, California.

Leona B. Chase

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Notary Public

L.B.C.
M.P.

I, ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ acting as ~~Commissioner~~ by agreement of the parties in that cause pending on the Equity side of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama wherein Evelyn E. Lawrence is Complainant and Sheldon E. Lawrence, Respondent, hereby certify that I caused Claude Lawrence, who is known to me and known by me to be the witness named in the annexed interrogatories to appear before me at my office No. 830 Hazle Street, Gridley, California on the 22 day of June 1937, where after being first sworn to tell the truth, he testified in answer to said interrogatories as is hereinabove set forth, that his answers were reduced to writing as near as may be in the language of the witness, who, after reading same signed them in my presence.

I further certify that I am neither of counsel or of kin to either party in the cause or in any wise interested in the outcome thereof.

Witness my hand and seal as ~~Commissioner~~ this the 22nd day of June 1937.

Notary Public

Leona B. Chase
~~COMMISSIONER~~
Notary Public

EVELYN E LAWRENCE
COMPLAINANT
vs
SHELDON E LAWRENCE
RESPONDENT

EQUITY
CIRCUIT COURT
of
BALDWIN COUNTY

INTERROGATORIES PREPOUNDED TO CLAUDE LAWRENCE, A WITNESS,
FOR COMPLAINANT.

1. Are you acquainted with Sheldon Lawrence and how long have you known him ?
2. Since September 1936 have you personally known of any acts of adultery on his part ?
3. State just what these acts were, giving time and place and details as far as you can.

Clarence L. Rinkley
Solicitor for Complainant

Complainant suggests the name of some Notary Public or Justice of the Peace of Gridley, California to act as Commissioner in taking the testimony here called for. The witness resides at Gridley.

Clarence L. Rinkley
Solicitor for Complainant.

EVELYN E. LAWRENCE,
Complainant,

vs.

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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, _____
Testimony of Evelyn E. Lawrence, and Claude Lawrence, Witnesses
for the Complainant,

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver, _____

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

EVELYN E. LAWRENCE,

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Respondent,

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 7th

day of JULY 193 7

R. E. Duch

REGISTER

Dollars ¹⁰⁰

RECEIVED from *Shelton & Lawrence*
July 2 1937 \$ 1.00

*One and no/100
for Mr. [unclear]
[unclear]*

July 6 1937

RECEIVED from *A. S. Dues Register*
Two Dollars

costs in Lawrence vs Lawrence

\$2⁰⁰

Joseph [unclear]