

FLARIE GEE,

Complainant,

vs.

LESLIE GEE,

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, _____
Decree Pro Confesso on Publication, and Testimony of Mrs. Florie
Gee, Mrs. Graham, and Mrs. Nettie Fretwell ;

and in behalf of Defendant upon _____

R. S. Duch

Register.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 350 Sept. , Term, 1937

FLARIE GEE , Complainant..

Vs.

LESLIE GEE Defendant..

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against

LESLIE GEE 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 6th day of September 1937

HORNE & HODNETTE

Solicitor.

Statement

THE BALDWIN TIMES

BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

August 30, 1937

Mr. R. S. Dunk, Register

Court House

Advertising:

Legal notice of Florie Gee Vs. Leslie Gee

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The State of Alabama, Baldwin County.

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Marie Gee

Complainant

vs.

Leslie Gee

Defendant

In the above stated cause a Decree Pro Confesso having been taken against the Defendant, and the evidence having been taken and the cause being ready for submission for final decree, and no defense having been interposed, the Complainant by her Solicitors of Record, now files with the Register of said Court this written request to deliver the papers in this cause to the Judge for final decree in vacation.

Harriet H. Haddette
By Solicitor for Complainant.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT.

Moore Ptg. Co—Bay Minette.

FLARIE GEE, Complainant,
 No. 350.
 vs.
 LESLIE GEE, Respondent.

The State of Alabama,

BALDWIN County.

Circuit Court, in Equity.

This the 7th day of

July, 1937

In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of

ROBERT E. HODNETTE;

that the Defendant

LESLIE GEE,

is a non-resident of the State of Alabama

And that his residence is unknown;

and further, that, in the belief of said Affiant... the Defendant... over the age of 21 years; it is, therefore, ordered that publication be made in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring

the said

LESLIE GEE,

to answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 6th day of

August, 1937, or after thirty days therefrom a decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him.

Robert E. Hodnette

Register.

HORNE & HODNETTE.

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 350

Term, 1927

FLARIE GEE,

Complainant

vs.

LESLIE GEE,

Defendant

In this cause it appears to the Register that the order of publication heretofore made in this cause, was published for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the 15th day of July, 1937, in the BALDWIN TIMES

a newspaper published in BAY MINETTE, Alabama, that a copy of said order was posted at the Court House door in BALDWIN County, on the 15th day of July, 1937, and

And it now further appearing to the Register R. S. DUCK, that the said

LESLIE GEE

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

R. S. DUCK that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said

LESLIE GEE

This 6th day of September 1937

R. S. Duck

Register

**CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA.
IN EQUITY**

No. *360* *Floris Gee*

vs. *Lutie Gee*

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANT

BILL OF COSTS

FEES OF REGISTER		Dollars	Cents	Brought Forward	
Filing each bill and other papers	\$ 10	1	00	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%.	\$ 605
Issuing each subpoena	50			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	1	00	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
Issuing Writ of Attachment	1 00			Report of divorce to State Health Office (Acts 1915)	50
Entering each return thereof	15			TOTAL FEES OF REGISTER	
Docketing each case	1 00	1	00	FEES OF SHERIFF	11 05
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			Levying 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			Impaneling Jury	75
Receiving and filing	10			Executing Writ of possession	2 50
Endorsing each package	10			Collecting execution for costs	1 50
Entering order submitting cause	50			Serving and returning sci. fa., each	65
Entering any other order of court	25			Serving and returning notice	65
Noting all testimony	50			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			Taking and approving bonds, each	75
For every 100 words over 500	15			Collecting money on execution	
Taking account, etc.	2 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			TOTAL FEES OF SHERIFF	
Amount claimed less than \$500, etc	2 00			RECAPITULATION	
Issuing each subpoena	25			Register's Fees	11 05
Witness certificate, each	25			Sheriff's Fees	5 00
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	7 70
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal	50			Trial Tax	3 00
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal	25			Recording Decree in Probate Court	
Hearing and passing on application, etc.	3 00			TOTAL	26 75
Each settlement with Receiver, etc.	3 00				26 75
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 ser relating to such proceedings	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					

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

FLORIE GEE,

Complainant,

vs.

LESLIE GEE,

Respondent.

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 1st

day of November 1937

R. S. Duchs

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The State of Alabama.

_____ COUNTY.

Circuit Court, In Equity.

_____ vs. _____ Complainant.

_____ Defendant.

Request for Decree in Vacation.

Filed 1 day of Nov, 1937

R. S. Duch Register.

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**State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.**

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Flarie Gee,

Complainant

Vs.

Leslie Gee,

Defendant

**Motion for Decree Pro Confesso
On Publication.**

Filed Sept. 6, 1937

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**The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.**

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

FLARIE GEE

Complainant

vs.

LESLIE GEE,

Respondent

**DECREE PRO CONFESSO
OF PUBLICATION**

Issued September 6, 1927

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THE BALDWIN TIMES

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SUBSCRIPTION \$2.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE
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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County. Circuit Court in Equity. This the 7th day of July, 1937.

FLARIE GEE, Complainant, No. 350., Vs. LESLIE GEE, Respondent.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Clerk of this Court by the affidavit of Robert E. Hodnette, that the defendant, Leslie Gee, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and that his residence is unknown; and that the defendant is in the belief that...

BAY MINETTE, ALA.

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

J. H. Faulkner, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the PUBLISHER of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of

Flarie Gee vs. Leslie Gee -

Was published in said Newspaper for 4 consecutive weeks in the following issues:

Date of first publication	<i>July 15, 1937</i>	Vol. <u>48</u>	No. <u>24</u>
Date of second publication	<i>July 22, 1937</i>	Vol. <u>48</u>	No. <u>25</u>
Date of third publication	<i>July 29, 1937</i>	Vol. <u>48</u>	No. <u>26</u>
Date of fourth publication	<i>August 5, 1937</i>	Vol. <u>48</u>	No. <u>27</u>

Subscribed and sworn before the undersigned this 30 day of

August 1937
R. E. Hodnette
Clerk

J. H. Faulkner
Publisher

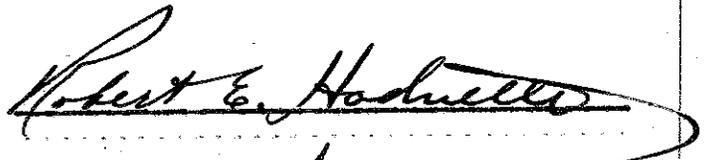
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Baldwin County
SAFE DEPOSIT
Bay Minette

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

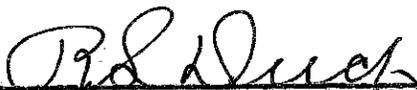
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Before me, Robert S. Duck, Register of the Circuit Court in Equity of Baldwin County, Alabama, personally appeared Robert E. Hodnette, known to me and known to me to be of the solicitors of Record for the complainant in that certain cause now in the Circuit Court in Equity of Baldwin County, Alabama wherein Flarie Gee is the complainant and Leslie Gee is the defendant, and who, being by me first duly sworn both depose and say as follows: That he is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief states that the defendant Leslie Gee is a non resident of the State of Alabama and that his place of residence is unknown and cannot be ascertained by reasonable effort and diligent inquiry and that service by publication is necessary in this cause.

Further that in the belief of ^{the} ~~year~~ affiant the defendant is over the age of twenty one years.


Robert E. Hodnette

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ^{7th} day of July, 1937.


Register of the Circuit Court in
Equity of Baldwin County, Alabama.

MRS. FLARIE GEE, :
COMPLAINANT. : IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
VS. : COUNTY, ALABAMA. IN EQUITY.
LESLIE GEE, :
DEFENDANT. : NO. 350

TO HONORABLE FRANCIS W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE
TWENTY FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ALABAMA, SITTING IN
EQUITY.

Now comes the complainant in the above
styled cause humbly complaining of the defendant, Leslie
Gee, in a matter of divorce as will hereinafter appear,
and represents and shows unto Your Honor as follows:

FIRST.

That both the complainant and the defendant are
over the age of twentyone years and that the complainant is
a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama and has so
resided for more than three years next preceding the filing
of this her bill of complaint. That the defendant is a non-
resident and that his place of residence is unknown and
cannot be ascertained by reasonable effort and diligent
inquiry.

SECOND.

That the complainant and the defendant were
married to each other at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama
on, to-wit, the 29th day of May, 1925 and lived together
thereafter as man and wife until on, to-wit, the 13th day
of September, 1936 at which time the separation occurred.

THIRD.

That to the union of the complainant and the
defendant were born two children, Ardiel Gee, a girl, ^{now} eleven
years of age, and James L. Gee, a boy now nine years of age.
That the complainant is well able to provide for said children
and loves them with the tender and lasting love of a mother
and is a suitable person to have the custody of said children,
while the defendant is not a suitable person to have the cus-
tody of said children on account of the fact that he is a

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ne'er do well and has no fixed place of abode but goes about from place to place and lives under circumstances not fit for young children.

FOURTH.

That for a long time before September 13, 1936 the defendant had commenced to abuse and mistreat the complainant and on occasions would threaten her serious bodily harm. That on, to-wit, the 13th day of September, 1936 the defendant beat the complainant and choked her and threatened to kill her. That he struck her repeatedly with his fists and made large blue and inflamed spots on her face and body and that this treatment was accompanied with grave danger to the life or health of the complainant, and that she can no longer with any degree of safety or comfort continue to live with the said defendant. That she has in no wise condoned the defendant for his fault.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS.

To the end that equity may be had in the premises the complainant prays that Leslie Gee be made party defendant to this bill of complaint and that process be issued and served on him by publication as required by law and that he be required to plead, answer or demur to the within bill of complaint, within the time and under the penalties prescribed by law and the rules of this Honorable Court.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF.

Premises considered, the complainant prays that on a final hearing of this Cause your Honor will make and enter a decree granting to her a full and complete divorce from the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the complainant and the defendant, and granting to her the right to again contract marriage should she so desire. The Complainant prays that in and by virtue of the decree of

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this Honorable Court she will be granted the custody of the minor children, Ardiel Gee and James L. Gee, subject to the further orders of this Honorable Court.

The Complainant prays such other, further and general relief to which she may be entitled, the premises considered, and your Complainant will ever pray, etc.

Harne & Hadnette
SOLICITORS FOR THE COMPLAINANT

FOOT NOTE.

DEFENDANT IS REQUIRED TO ANSWER EACH AND EVERY PARAGRAPH OF THE FORE-GOING BILL OF COMPLAINT, NUMBERED "FIRST" "SECOND", "THIRD" AND "FOURTH", BUT NOT UNDER OATH, ANSWER THERETO UNDER OATH BEING HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVED.

Harne & Hadnette
SOLICITORS FOR THE COMPLAINANT.

The State of Alabama, }
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To MRS. OLIVE NELSON

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 mes Florie Gee, James Graham
and Mr. Walter F. Russell

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

FLORIE GEE

Complainant

and LESLIE GEE

Defendant,

on oath to be by you administered, upon _____
to take and certify the deposition... of the witness.... and return the same to our Court, with all convenient speed, under your hand.

Witness 6th day of September 19 57

[Signature]

REGISTER

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$ 5.00

WITNESS' FEES, \$ _____

The State of Alabama, BALDWIN County

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

MRS. FLORIE GEE Complainant
vs.

LESLIE GEE Defendant

Oral examination before the ^{Commissioner} Register of the following witnesses:

MRS. FLORIE GEE

JAMES GRAHAM

MRS. NETTIE FRETWELL

who reside in Alabama, said examination being conducted in my office, Atmore Alabama,

on this the 18th day of September, 1937, and there being present

The commissioner and the witnesses

The said witnesses being first sworn to speak the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, testified as follows:

My name is Florrie Gee, I am the complainant in this cause and I am a bona fide resident of Baldwin County and have so resided for more than three years next preceding the filing of this bill for divorce. I am over the age of twenty-one years. The defendant is a non-resident; I do not know where he is and have tried hard to find him. Diligent efforts and reasonable inquiries have been made by me to ascertain his whereabouts. He is over the age of twenty-one years. We were married to each other at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, on the 29th day of May 1925 and thereafter lived together as man and wife until September 13, 1936. For a long time before September, 1936 the defendant abused, beat and mistreated me and on occasions would threaten me serious bodily harm and on the 13th day of September 1936, the defendant beat me and choked me and threatened to kill me and would have had I not gotten away;

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

FLORIE GEE, Complainant

vs.

LESLIE GEE, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, Decree Pro Confesso on 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 FLORIE GEE is forever divorced from the said

LESLIE GEE

for and on account of Cruelty

And it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court, that the said Florie Gee, have the care, custody and control of the minor children, Ardiel Gee, and James L. Gee;

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 FLORIE GEE be, and she is hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

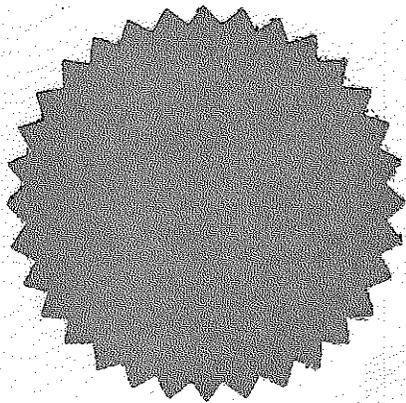
It is further ordered that FLORIE GEE, the Complainant pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 2nd day of November, 1937

J. W. Hoare

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.

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT

FLORIE GEE,

vs. Complainant

LESLIE GEE,

Defendant

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

MRS. OLIVE NELSON

WITNESSES:

The State of Alabama,

Baldwin COUNTY

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Mrs. Thelma Lee
vs. Complainant,

Julius Lee
Defendant.

Deposition Taken Before Register on Oral Examination

Deposition of _____

for _____
Filed 17~~th~~ day of June, 1937

Published by order of the Court, _____

day of _____, 19____

R. A. Sweet
Register.

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The State of Alabama
Baldwin County

In Circuit Court, In Equity

FLORIE GEE,

vs. Complainant.

IMSLIE GEE,

Respondent.

DIVORCE DECREE

Filed this the 3rd
day of November, 1937.

H. S. Quack
Register.