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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, EX REL: RALPH L. JONES, SOLICITOR,

COMPLAINANT,

Vs.

C.A. Henry, RESPONDENT.

ounty, Alabama. In Equity.

### DECREE.

This cause coming on to be heard in Term time, was submitted for final decree upon the bill of complaint and decree pro confessom upon personal service, against the respondent, and the Court having considered and understood the same is of the opinion that complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in the bill of complaint, and is entitled to a final decree in this cause condemning the two slot machines, the subject matter of this duit, declaring the same to be gambling devices under the laws of the State of Alabama, that they are contraband property and as such are condemned and forfeited, along with their contents seized therein, to the State of Alabama, and ordering that said machines be destroyed, and said contents distributed as provided by law.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the two slot machines seized from the possession of the respondent in this suit, and described as being one fivecent slot machine and one ten-cent slot machine, both of the type commonly known as Roscoes, as set out in the bill of complaint, be and the same are hereby adjudged and declared to be gambling devices, as defined by law, and the same are hereby declared and adjudged to be contraband property, ans as such are condemned and forfeited, along with the contents seized therein, to the that State of Alabama, as such gambling devices prohibited by law.

It is further ordered and directed by the Court that one half of the money seized in said machines be paid over to the officers who made the seizure of said machines, by the register of this Court, who now holds such money, and that the remaining one-half be paid by said Register into the General Fund of Baldwin County, as provided by law.

Fund of Baldwin County, as provided by law.

It is further ordered and directed by the Court that M.H. Wilkins, who has custody of said machines, deliver the same to the present Sheriff of said (bunty, and that said present Sheriff, in the presence of the Register of this Court, proceed to destroy sail of said machines, hereinbefore described, within twenty days from the date of this decree.

It is further ordered and decreed by the Court that the costs of this suit be taxed against the respondent, for which let execution issue. If, however, said costs be not collected on or by said execution, the Register shall tax and collect the costs herein from Baldwin County, Alabama, to be paid as in Criminal cases in which the State fails.

Done, ordered and decreed, in open Court, this the 1st day of February, 1939.

Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama. In Equity.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

TO THE HON. F.W. HARE, JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Comes the State of Alabama, on relation of Ralph
L. Jones, Solicitor of the 21st Judicial Circuit of Alabama, and
complains of C.A. Henry, and shows to the Court as follows:

FIRST.

That said Ralph L. Jones is the duly elected and qualified Solicitor of the 21st Judicial Circuit of Alabama, which said Circuit embraces Baldwin County, Alabama, and as such official is the prosecuting officer in the Circuit Court of said County. That said C.A. Henry is a citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, and is over 21 years of age.

SECOND.

That on, to-wit; the 15th day of July, 1938, the said respondent C.A. Henry, did keep, own, set up, operate or conduct, or permit to be set up, operated or conducted two gambling devices, as defined by the laws of the State of Alabama, said gambling devices being one five-cent slot machine and one tencent slot machine, both of the type commonly known as Roscoes. That said slot machines were machines, mechanical devices, contrivances, appliances or inventions intended for the purpose of winning money by hazard or chance, and were being operated, or could be operated as a game of chance. That said slot machines were and are machines, mechanical devices, contrivances, appliances or inventions in the use of which a consideration is paid or deposited, and there is gambling or the hazarding of small amounts of money to win larger amounts of money.

That the possession, ownership and use of said gambling devices were illegal and contrary to law, and such devices are contraband property and forfeited to the State of Alabama, under the terms and provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Alabama, approved

July 25th, 1931, and appearing at pages 906-809 of the Acts of said 1931 Legislature of Alabama. That on, to-wit; the 15th day of July, 1938, J.W. McClung, a law enforcement officer for the State of Alabama, did seize the said slot machines, in Baldwin County, Alabama, while they were in the possession of said Respondent, and did duly report said seizure to the said Ralph L. Jones, as such Solicitor, and said devices are being held as contraband property, subject to the orders of this Court.

## PRAYER FOR PROCESS.

The premises considered, Complainant prays that the usual process issue out of this Court, directed to the said C.A. Henry, making him a party respondent to this Bill of Complaint, and that he be required to answer, plead or demur to the same within the time and under the penalties prescribed by law, and show cause, if any he has, why the said described machines should not be declared contraband property, and the same, together with their contents, forfeited to the State of Alabama.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF.

Complainant further prays that, upon a final hearing of this cause, Your Honor will enter a decree declaring said seized slot machines to be gambling devices, and as such to be contraband property and forfeited with its contents to the State of Alabama, and further directing that the same be destroyed and their contents distributed as provided by law.

And Complainant further prays for such other, further and additional relief, decrees and orders as may be necessary to accomplish the condemnation and destruction of said machines, as illegal gambling devices under the laws of Alabama.

Respectfully submitted.

# FOOT-NOTE.

Respondent is required to answer each and every allegation contained in paragraphs numbered FIRST and SECOND of this Bill of Complaint, but not under oath, answer under oath being hereby waived.

# The State Of Alabama, Circuit Court of Baldwin County, In Equity.

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TO HON. W. R. STUART, SHERIPF OF BALDWIN COURTY, ALABAMA:

You are hereby commended in accordance with that certain decree of this Court made and rendered on the lat day of Pebruary, 1939, by Hon. F. W. Hare, Judge of said Court, to destroy in the presence of the Register of said Court, the following named articles:

One (1) five-cent slot machine, of the type commonly known as a Roscoe; One (1) ten-cent slot machine, of the type commonly known as a Roscoe;

The above named property is to be destroyed within twenty (20) days from the date of said decree.

You are further directed to report/this Court your to compliance with said decree of Condemnation.

WITNESS my hand this 10th day of February, 1939.

R. S. DUCK, Register of the Circuit Court of Beldwin County, Alabama, in Equity.

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TO THE HON. F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA:

In accordance with an order issued by you under date of February 1st, 1939, I beg to report that I have this day in the presence of

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I further beg to report that above stated machine has been completely wrecked and is of no further use or value.

WITNESS my hand this 2/2 day of February, 1939.

W. R. STUART, Sheriff of Baldwin

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IN EQUITY. No. 459

## DEGREE OF COMPTREATION.

A decree having heretofore been rendered in this Court on February 1st, 1939, wherein the Sheriff of Baldwin downty, Alabama, was ordered to destroy — slot machines, namely:

One five cent slot machine commonly known as a roscoe; One ten cent slot machine commonly known as a roscoe;

and, whereas, the sheriff has this day reported to me that the same has been destroyed in accordance with the terms of such decree.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the said report of the said Sheriff be/ell things approved and wonfirmed; and it is hereby ordered that same be and is hereby approved and confirmed.

It is further ordered that the Register of this Court proceed forthwith to carry out the further directions and orders of the decree rendered on the lat day of vebruary, 1939.

This 27 day of Mack, 1950.

I. W. LAND, Judge of the Circuit Court.

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Circuit Court of Baldwin County
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RALPH L. JONES,

Solicitor for Complainant

Deputy Sheriff

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