

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

Circuit in Equity

Frank H Riddle Complainant.

vs

S.M.Pickler et al.Respondents.

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 September 26th,1918 and ending Oct 17th 1918 , in the Baldwin Times a Newspaper published in Baldwin County,Ala, and that a copy of said order was poseted at the Court House Door in Baldwin County, Alabama, September 26th,1918.

And it now appearing to the Register that the said S.M.Pickler et al having to the date hereof failed to plead,demur,to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause, it is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant,ordered and decreed by the Register T.W.Richerson, that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and ~~is~~ in all things taken as confessed againt the said S.M.Pickler et als.

This 28th day of November 1918.

T.W. Richerson
-----Register.

Decree Foro confesso on
Publication.

Filed 11/28 1918.

W. P. ...
-----Register.

FRANK H. RIDDLE, as Trustee,

vs.

S.M. PICKLER, et al

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

Complainant requests the Register in Chancery of the above named Court, to deliver the papers in said cause to Hon. A.E. Gamble, Judge of said Court, for final decree.

The Register is further requested to note as testimony for complainant,

1. His Bill of Complaint
2. Decree pro confesso, rendered by Register in Chancery against all defendants.
3. Affidavit of S.P. Gaillard, one of the solicitors for complainant as to defendants not being in military or naval service of the United States.

S.P. Gaillard & Mahomed Ahmed
Solicitors for the Complainant.

FRANK H. RIDDLE, as Trustee,

vs.

S.M. PICKLER, et al

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

Complainant moves the Register in Chancery
for a decree pro confesso against all non-resident defend-
ants on proof of publication had against them, as such
proof appears on file.

Guillard Mahomes Arnold
Solicitors for the Complainant.

JH Riddle as trustee
of
Jm Pickler et al

motion for decree
pro confessa against
def't by Registrar in
Chy. in vacation

Filed 11/28-1918
J W McKeown
Registrar

Gairland, McKeown & Arnold
Sols for Compt

FRANK H. RIDDLE, as Trustee,

vs.

S.M. PICKLER, et al.

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

STATE OF ALABAMA,

COUNTY OF MOBILE

Personally appeared before me, M.

Mahorner Jr., a Notary Public, in

and for said county and state, S.P. Gaillard, who being
by me first duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is one
of the attorneys for the plaintiff in the above entitled
cause; that affiant made diligent search and inquiry to
ascertain if the heirs of the deceased persons named in the
bill of complaint in this cause, or any persons who might
^{named,}
be the described and designated defendants in said cause,
were in the military service of the United States, and that
to the best of his information and belief, based upon such
search and inquiry, none of the ^{named} designated and described
defendants in the above stated cause, are in the military
service of the United States, as the same are defined in the
Soldiers and Sailors Civil Rights Act of the United States
Congress.

S.P. Gaillard

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

this _____ day of November, 1918.

Notary Public, Mobile County, Ala.

Walter White, Mobile County, Ala.

this _____ day of November, 1918.

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

Clerk.

[Signature]

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were in the military service of the United States, and that
he has described and designated defendants in said cause,
all of whom are in the service, of any persons who might

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J. M. Riddle as trustee
S. M. Pickens et al

affidavit as to naval
military service of
defendants

Filed 11/28/18
J. M. Riddle
Register

FRANK H. RIDDLE, as trustee,

PLAINTIFF DOUBLY, ALABAMA,
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

S. M. PICKENS, et al.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

COUNTY OF MOBILE,

person named appeared before me, J.

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Frank H. Riddle, as Trustee for himself,
M. E. Gieple, G. W. Eade, Edward Northam,
W. A. Ohlhaber and C. A. Kreuse.

vs.

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) In the Concut Court of
) Baldwin County, Alabama,
) In Equity.
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S. M. Pickler, E. H. Bihler, The heirs of
A. Chapman (alias Ames Chapman), and the heirs of
heirs of Robert Steele, and the Firm of
Martin, Buchman & Redding and each
member thereof.

This cause, coming on to be heard, is submitted for final decree on the pleadings and the evidence as noted by the Register, and on consideration, the Court is of the opinion that the Complainants are entitled to the relief prayed for in their Bill of Complaint;

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Respondents, S. M. Pickler, E. H. Bihler, the Heirs of A. Chapman, also Ames Chapman, the Heirs of Robert Steele, and the firm of Martin, Buchman & Redding and each member thereof, have no right, title or interest in, or encumbrance upon the lands described in the original Bill of Complaint, or any part thereof, viz:-

North-east Quarter; North Half of South-west Quarter of South-east Quarter; and South-west Quarter of Section Thirty; South-east Quarter of North-west Quarter of Section Thirty-one; South-east Quarter of North-east Quarter; East Half of North-west Quarter; West Half of South-west Quarter of North-west Quarter; and North-west Quarter of South-east Quarter of Section Thirty-two; South-west Quarter of North-west Quarter of Section Thirty-three, All in Township Six, South, Range Three, East.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the right and title of Complainants to said lands is good and valid as against the said Respondents.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Register shall, within thirty days from the date of this decree, file the same or a certified transcript thereof in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, for Record and tax the expense thereof in the costs of this Cause.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Complainants pay the costs of this cause for which execution may issue.

Done this 2nd day of December, 1918.

W. G. Gamble
Judge.

FRANK H. RIDDLE,
as Trustee,

vs.

S. M. PICKLER, ET AL.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
COUNTY, ALABAMA.

We acknowledge ourselves as security for costs and
the giving of notice to non-residents by publication in the above
entitled cause.

Nellie K. Baldwin

September 18, 1918.

Filed 9-25-78

J. W. Williams
Register

JAMES H. RIDDLE,

vs. J. W. Williams,

S. M. FLORENCE, ET AL.,

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN

We acknowledge ourselves as indebted for costs and
the giving of notice to non-residents by publication in the above
entitled cause.

September 10, 1878.

J. W. Williams

Bay Minette, Ala.,

October 22nd, 1918

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Frank H. Riddle, as Trustee, et al Complainants

VS

SM. Pickler, et al., Defendants

CHANCERY NOTICE

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Gaillard, Mahorner & Arnold, Attys for Comp.:

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

ABNER J. SMITH, 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

Chancery Notice.

Frank H. Riddle as Trustee, for himself, M. E. Gieple, G. W. Eade, Edward Northam, W. A. Ohlhaber and C. A. Krouse, Complainants. Vs. S. M. Pickler, E. H. Bihler, the heirs of A. Chapman, alias Amos Chapman, the heirs of Robert Steele, the firm of Martin, Buchman and Redding. In Chancery. In Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama. No. 129.

In this cause it appearing from the sworn allegations of the Bill of Complaint of S. M. Pickler, E. H. Bihler, the heirs of A. Chapman alias Amos Chapman the heirs of Robert Steele, the firm of Martin, Buchman & Redding are non-residents of the State of Alabama, their place of residence being unknown.

And it further appearing that the above named and described defendants claim or are reputed to claim or to own some right, title, interest or demand in the following described lands, situated in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, to-wit:

Northeast quarter; North half and southwest quarter of southeast quarter; and southwest quarter of section thirty (30);

Southeast quarter of northwest quarter of Section thirty-one (31);

Southeast quarter of Northeast quarter; east half of Northwest quarter; West half of Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, and Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section Thirty-two (32);

Southwest quarter of Northwest quarter of Section Thirty-three (33);

All in Township six (6) south, range three east.

It is ordered that they plead, answer or demur to the allegations of the Bill of Complaint filed against them in this cause before the 28th day of October, 1918, or on the expiration of thirty days from said date the same will be taken as confessed against them.

It is further ordered that this order be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in Baldwin County, State of Alabama. September 25th, 1918.

T. W. Richerson,
Register.
Gaillard Mahorner and Arnold,
Attys for Complainant.
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Chancery Notice.

Frank H. Riddle as Trustee, for himself, M. E. Gieple, G. W. Eade, Edward Northam, W. A. Ohlhaber and C. A. Krouse, Complainants. Vs. S. M. Pickler, E. H. Bihler, the heirs of A. Chapman, alias Amos Chapman, the heirs of Robert Steele, the firm of Martin, Buchman and Redding. In Chancery. In Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama. No. 129.

Was published in said Newspaper for 4 consecutive weeks
issues:

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	October 10th, 1918	Vol. 29	No. 34
	October 17th, 1918	Vol. 29	No. 35

orn to before the undersigned

of October 1918.

Abner J. Smith
Publisher.

LAW OFFICES OF
GAILLARD, MAHORNER & ARNOLD
66 ST. FRANCIS STREET
MOBILE, ALABAMA

S. PALMER GAILLARD
MATTHIAS MAHORNER, JR.
VIRGINIUS L. ARNOLD

Sept. 24, 1918.

T.W. Richerson, Esq.,
Clerk of Circuit Court,
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Sir:-

We hand you herewith bill to quiet title in the case of Frank H. Riddle, as trustee, vs. heirs of Amos Chapman, et al, all of whom are non-residents and we will thank you to enter up an order of publication, under chancery rule 22, and have the same published in the "Baldwin Times" as early as practicable.

We are also enclosing security for costs, the complainant being a non-resident and Mrs. Nellie K. Baldwin signing as security, she being under obligation to quiet the title to certain lands sold by her to Mr. Riddle and others.

Please note that the bill is against "the heirs of A. Chapman, alias Amos Chapman", "the heirs of Robert Steele" together with Pickler and Bihler.

Yours very truly,

Gaillard, Mahorner & Arnold

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LAW OFFICES OF
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66 ST. FRANCIS STREET
MOBILE, ALABAMA

S. PALMER GAILLARD
MATTHIAS MAHORNER, JR.
VIRGINIUS L. ARNOLD

November 28, 1918

Mr. T.W. Richerson,
Clerk, Circuit Court of Baldwin Co.,
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith motion for a decree pro confesso in the case of Riddle vs. Pickler. By assuming that proof of publication has been made and is on file, the time for pleading expired with November 27th.

This being done, we are requesting that the papers be handed to the judge for decree, under Section 3164 of the Code, as amended by Acts of 1915, page 606.

Yours very truly,

Gaillard, Mahorner & Arnold

Enclosures

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Frank H Riddle as Trustee, for himself,
M.E. ~~Silvestro~~ Gieple, G.W. Esde, Edward Northam,
W.A. Ohlhaber and C .A. Krouse. Complainants.

: In Chancery.

VS

S.M. Pickler, E.H. Bihler, the heirs of A. Chapman,
alias Amos Chapman the heirs of Robert Steele,
the firm of Martin, Buchman & Redding.

: In Circuit Court
of Baldwin County,
Alabama.

In this cause it appearing from the sworn allegations of the
Bill of Complaint of S.M. Pickler, E.H. Bihler, the heirs of A .Chapman
alias Amos Chapman the heirs of Robert Steele, the firm of Martin,
Buchman & Redding are non- residents of the State of Alabama, their
place of residence being unknown,

And it further appearing that the above named and described
defendants claim or are reputed to claim or to own some right, title,
interest or demand in the following described lands, situated in the
County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, to wit:

Northeast quarter ; North half and southwest quarter of southeast
quarter; and southwest quarter of section thirty (30);

Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter of Section thirty -one (31) ;

South-east quarter of Northeast quarter ; east half of Northwest
quarter ; West half of Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter ~~of the~~
~~Northwest quarter~~ ; and North-west quarter of Southeast quarter of
Section Thirty-two (32);

Southwest quarter of Northwest quarter ~~of the~~
of Section Thirty three (33) ;

All in Township six (6) south, range three east.

It is ordered that they plead, answer or demur to the allegations
of the Bill of Complaint filed against them in this cause before the
28th day of October 1918, or on the expiration of thirty days from
said date the same will be taken as confessed against them.

It is further ordered that this order be published once a
week for four consecutive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a Newspaper
published in Baldwin County, State of Alabama.

Sept 25. 1918.

J.W. Ransom
-----Register.

Gaillard Mahorner and Arnold

Attys for P
Complainant.

To the Honorable E.A. Gamble, Judge of the Circuit
Court of Baldwin County, Alabama: Sitting in Equity:-

The Bill of Complaint of Frank H.Riddle, as Trustee for himself, M.E.Gieple, G.W.Eade, Edward Northam, W.A.Ohlhaver and C.A.Krouse, shows unto your Honor as follows:

FIRST.

Complainant is in peaceable possession of, claiming to own the same, ~~of~~ the following described real property in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, viz:

North-east quarter; north half and south-west quarter of south-east quarter; and south-west quarter of section thirty (30);

South-east quarter of north-west quarter of Section thirty-one (31);

South-east quarter of north-east quarter; east half of north-west quarter; west half of south-west quarter of the north-west quarter; and north-west quarter of south-east quarter of section thirty-two (32);

South-west quarter of north-west quarter of section thirty-three (33);

All in township six (6) south, range three east.

SECOND.

S.M.Pickler, E.H.Bihler, the heirs of A.Chapman, alias Amos Chapman, whose name or names and place or places of residence are unknown to complainant, and the heirs of Robert Steele, whose name or names and place or places of residence are and also the firm of Martin, Buchman & Redding, unknown to complainant, claim, or are reputed to claim, the hereinabove described land, or some part or parts thereof, or to hold some lien or encumbrance thereon, but no suit is pending to enforce or test the validity of such claims, titles, liens or encumbrances.

THIRD.

Complainant calls on each of said claimants herein-
above designated and described to set forth and specify his title,
claim, interest, lien or encumbrance in or to said lands, and how
and by what instrument the same is derived and created.

FOURTH.

Complainant shows unto your Honor that the said A.
Chapman, alias Amos Chapman, about the year 1893 resided at Ev-
ergreen, Conecuh County, Alabama, and was agent of the Michigan
Land Company, and about twenty years ago moved back to Michigan,
whence he came, and there died about twelve or fifteen years ago,
leaving heirs him surviving, but whose names, ages and places of
residence complainant does not know; that Robert Steele is be-
lieved to have resided in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama,
during the years 1853 to 1855 and that many years ago he died,
leaving heirs whose names and places of residence are unknown to
complainant; that complainant has made, and caused to be made, dil-
igent inquiry to ascertain the names, ages and places of residence
of the said heirs of A. Chapman, alias Amos Chapman, and Robert
Steele, and the names, ages and places of residence of the individ-
uals composing said firm of Martin, Buchman and Redding; but that
said names, ages and places of residence cannot be ascertained by
diligent inquiry; but complainant avers, upon information and be-
lief, that they are non-residents of the State of Alabama, their
places of residence being unknown to complainant; and, upon like
information and belief, complainant says that each and all of them
are upwards of twenty-one years of age; that the said S.M. Pickler
is upwards of twenty-one years of age and a non-resident of the
State of Alabama, his last known place of residence being in the
county of Adair, State of Missouri;

and that the said E.H. Bihler is upwards of twenty-one years of
age and that his last known place of residence was #948 Wolfram
Street, in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois.

PRAYER.

To the end, therefore, that this Honorable Court may decree that neither all nor any of said persons above designated and described have any estate, right, title, interest, claim or encumbrance in or on said real property, or any part thereof, and that the title of complainant to said real property may be free of all doubts and disputes concerning the same and that complainant may have such further and other relief as justice and equity may require and to your Honor shall seem meet:

May it please your Honor to make an order of this Honorable Court directing that notice be given to said designated and described defendants, to-wit: S.M.Pickler, E.H.Bihler, the heirs of A.Chapman (alias Amos Chapman) and the heirs of Robert Steele; and the said firm of Martin, Buchman & Redding and each member thereof; all of whom are made defendants to this Bill of Complaint; requiring them, within a time to be specified, to plead, answer or demur to this Bill of Complaint; and that, upon the hearing of the same, this Honorable Court will decree that said above designated and described defendants, nor any of them, have any estate, right, title, interest, claim or encumbrance in or on said described real property.

And your complainant prays for such other, further and different relief as to your Honor may seem meet under the circumstances of the case.

Gaillard, Mahonius & Arnold
Attorneys for Complainant.

FOOT-NOTE.

Each of said designated and described defendants is required to answer each paragraph of the foregoing Bill of Complaint, numbered first to fourth, both inclusive, but answer under oath is expressly waived.

Gaillard, Mahonius & Arnold
Attorneys for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA,)
COUNTY OF MOBILE.)

Before me, Henrietta Petithory, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared S.P.Gaillard, who, being by me first duly sworn, saith that he is one of the solicitors for the complainant in the foregoing cause; that said complainant is now in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, and, for that reason, does not make this affidavit; and that the allegations contained in the foregoing Bill of Complaint are true.

S.P. Gaillard

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of Sept. 1918.

Henrietta Petithory
Notary Public, Mobile County, Ala.