

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

No. 223

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

May Johnson

Complainant.....

Chas. C. Johnson

Defendant.....

This cause, coming on to be heard at this Term, was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, ~~and excepted confessed~~
answer of the defendant

and testimony as noted by the Register; and, upon consideration thereof, the Court is of opinion that the Complainant
is entitled to the relief prayed for in her

..... 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 the said.....

May Johnson

..... is forever divorced from the said

Chas. C. Johnson

..... for and on account of

Cruelty.

..... as alleged in said Bill of Complaint;

It is further ordered, that the said May Johnson and Chas. C. Johnson
be, and they are hereby permitted to again contract marriage, upon the payment of the costs of Court in this cause.

It is further ordered, that the said Chas. C. Johnson

pay the costs herein taxed, for which execution may issue, and if such execution is returned "no property found,"
then execution for such costs may issue against the said May Johnson

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said May Johnson

shall not again marry except to said Chas. C. Johnson

until sixty days after this date, and that if an appeal is taken within sixty days she shall not marry again except
to said Chas. C. Johnson during the pendency of said appeal.

This 18 day of June, 1920.

John D. Leigh
Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County.

RECORDED

No.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT IN EQUITY.
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA.

vs.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

Filed in office this

1914

day of

June

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J. W. Riceworth

Register.

E. O. M.

*Decree recorded on Minutes
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RECORDED

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In the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,
Chancery Division.

May Johnson

Vs

Charles Johnson.

To the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court
of Baldwin County.

Your Oratrix, May Johnson, respectfully shows unto your Honor in this her Bill of Complaint, against Charles C. Johnson;

1st. That both parties are residents of Baldwin County, State of Alabama, and the defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

2nd. That the Parties hereto were Married At Georgiana, Butler County, Alabama, on the 24th, Day of February 1919, and resided together at or near the town of Bay Minette, Alabama, since that time until November 1919, as husband and Wife.

3rd. That after her said marriage to said Defendant, and without fault on her part ^{the defendant} treated complainant with such cruelty, and showed such insane jealousy, and accused her of running after other men, and told others that she was not a respectable woman, and so harassed and worried her that to live with the defendant as his wife was intolerable and she was made ill and nervous and in danger of her health and life to live with him as his wife, and complainant was compelled to leave defendant and to return to her father's home. That, from his conduct and threats there is reasonable apprehension on her part that he will commit actual violence on her person attended with danger to her life or health.

4th. That Oratrix is without means of her own wherewith to provide for her support and maintenance during the pendency of this suit or with which to pay counsel, while defendant is a strong able bodied man and earns good wages in the employ of the L & N Railroad.

Wherefore, Oratrix prays that a writ of subpoena may issue against the said Charles C. Johnson, that he be made a party defendant hereto, and commanding him to appear and answer this Bill of Complaint within the time required by law and in accordance with the rules of this Honorable court.

That upon hearing of this cause against her said husband Charles C. Johnson, your Oratrix prays your Honor for a decree annulling said marriage, with such other further and different relief as in equity, she may be entitled to receive, Oratrix further prays that in view of her present penniless condition, an order of reference be forthwith made commanding the Register of this Court on proper notice to the parties, to ascertain and report to this court a suitable amount to be allowed Oratrix as alimony pendente lite, and counsel fees and that, upon such report, and order to be made requiring the payment of such amount by defendant forthwith, with such other interlocutory orders and decrees as may seem proper in the premises. And as in duty bound your Oratrix will ever pray.

W. S. Anderson

Abner J. Smith

Solicitors for Complainant.

The defendant is required, but not under oath, to answer every allegation of the foregoing Bill.

May Johnson

Abner J. Smith

Solicitors for complainant.

MAY JOHNSON,
Complainant.

vs

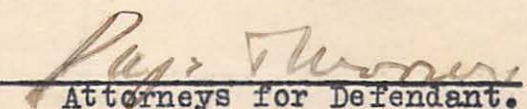
Chas. C. Johnson,
Defendant.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT,
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY.

Comes Chas. C. Johnson, by his attorneys Page
and Moorer and for answer to the above styled complaint
denies each and every allegation and demands strict
proof of same. He waives service by the sheriff of
subpoena on said bill, notice of the filing of the
interrogatories, or any proceeding to take testimony
on oral examination as well as the right to cross ex-
amine, and consents that this cause be submitted for
decree on note of testimony made by the register
either in term time or vacation.

Dated at Bay Minette, Alabama, this 14th day
of May, 1920.


Attorneys for Defendant.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,
IN EQUITY.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon ~~May Johnson~~ Chas Johnson

of Baldwin County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after the service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by

May Johnson

against said

Chas C Johnson

and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Defendant shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your endorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, T. W. Richerson, Register of said Circuit Court, this 2nd day of April

1910



Register.

N. B.—Any party defendant is entitled to a copy of the bill upon application to the Register.

~~Original~~ Original
Serve on.....

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,
IN EQUITY.

No. 223.

SUMMONS.

May Johnson

vs.

Chas C Johnson

A.J.Smith & W.S.Anderson.

Solicitor for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Received in office this.....

day of 191.....

Sheriff.

Executed this 6..... day of

April 1912

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with

Defendant

Sheriff

By

Deputy Sheriff.

May Johnson

vs.

Charles C. Johnson

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, *Answer of Defendant*

and testimony of 2 witnesses

and in behalf of Defendant upon

J. W. Rice

Register

5-01
No. 2231

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

May Johnson

vs.

Charles C Johnson

NOTE OF TESTIMONY.

Filed in Open Court this 17th

day of June 1920

T. M. Williamson

Register

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, *Baldwin* COUNTY.

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

May Johnson Complainant
vs.

Charles C Johnson Defendant

Oral examination before the Register of the following witnesses:

Callie Nixon & May Johnson

who reside in Alabama, said examination being conducted in *Bayminette* Alabama,
on this the *18th* day of *May* *1919*, and there being present

A J Daniel Atty for Complainant

The said *Witnesses* being first sworn to speak the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth,
testified as follows: My name is *Callie Nixon*, I am the mother of Complainant,

I know *Charles C Johnson* and *May Johnson*, my daughter they were
married in *February, 1919*, and she was compelled to leave him about
6 months ago, on account of his cruel treatment, she was compelled to

leave Defendant and she came to her fathers home, broken in her health
and extremely nervous, the defendant came to her ^{the Complainants} fathers home at 3

O' Clock at night and forced the door open and attempted to get into
the bed with complainant, and that it was necessary then to have him

arrested and put under bond to keep him from annoying and endangering

the life of the complainant, as he did at that time on previous occasions
threaten to kill his wife the complainant, and defendant said he would

compel her to co-habit with him or he would kill her and all of her
fathers's family, and witness believes that he would have carried

out his threats, and would do yet if the complainant would attempt to
live with him, That complainant lives in constant fear of defendant

doing her bodily harm, and I believe that complainant is now and was
before her seperation in great danger of his doing great violence towards

her and endangering complainants life and health, I have on several
different occasions been present when the defendant would become insanely

jealous because his wife was polite to company that called upon them,
both ladies as well as men, he would go for two or three days sulking

without cause and would not ^{go} to the table for his meals.

He failed to provide clothes and groceries at times for her and her father had to buy clothing and she would have to eat at our home-- as her husband would go off to work and fail to provide anything for her to eat while he was gone, her father would have to buy her new shoes and have her old ones half soled for her.

Defendant was insanely jealous of his wife without any cause on her part whatever. He owes some bills at Evergreen and Mobile for things he gave her but did not pay for.

Defendant works for the L&N.R.R . and makes about One hundred Dollars per month, and is a strong healthy able bodied man .

Beellie ^{her} x Nixon _{mark}

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th,
day of June, 1920.

J. W. Rice Register.
11-11-20

I, T. W. Richardson, as Register

hereby certify that the foregoing deposition..... on oral examination was taken down by me in writing in the words of the witnesss and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence of myself....., at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of the personal identity of the said witnesss, or had proof made before me of the identity of said witnesss; that I am not of counsel or of kin to any of the parties to said cause; or in any manner interested in the result thereof.

I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court, and placed the same on file in my office.

Given under my hand and seal this the 11th day of June, 1920

T. W. Richardson Register
(L. S.)

WITNESS FEES.

I hereby certify that the following named witnesses are entitled to the amounts stated below:

.....	days' attendance at \$1.50 per day	\$
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REGISTER'S FEES.

.....	days at \$1.50 per day	\$
.....	words at 20 cents per hundred	

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The State of Alabama,

Baldwin COUNTY.

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

May Johnson

vs. Complainant,

Charles O. Johnson

Defendant.

Deposition Taken Before Register on Oral Examination.

Deposition of *James*

for *Complainant*

Filed *11* day of *June*, 19 *20*

Published by order of the Court,

day of _____, 19____

A. McClellan

Register.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Baldwin COUNTY.

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

May Johnson Complainant

vs.

Charles Johnson, Defendant

Oral examination before the Register of the following witnesses:

May Johnson

who reside in Alabama, said examination being conducted in Bay Minette Alabama, on this the 18th day of May, and there being present

May Johnson

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

Myself and Charles Johnson married in Butlers County Alabama and both are now residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, Defendant is over 21 years of age we were married Feb 24th, 1919 and lived together as man and wife until six months ago and I was compelled to leave him on account of his cruelty, and his insane jealousy. I tried to be a good wife to him in every respect and do my full duty as such, and bore his ill treatment until I became almost a nervous wreck and my health injured, and to have lived with him long er would have endangered my life, Defendant is a big strong man, fully six feet tall and weighs 200 lbs, His animal passions were so abnormal that he would insist upon and force me to have sexual intercourse at all times and constantly day and night. If I objected or protested against his utter unreasonableness, in this respect he would fly into a passion and refuse to eat anything for three or four days at a time, and would lie in bed and refuse to get up and work at all.

Although I did the cooking, house and washing and ironing, he would refuse and fail to properly provide for me, as he was amply able to do from his wages as a railroad Bridge hand. He often failed to pay house rent, grocery bills and other reasonable and necessary expenses, and still owes many such bills.

He was at all times insanely jealous and would not allow me to attend Church, or to make any social calls unless he quit work and accompanied me. He would often show his insane jealousy by flying into a passion if I even talked with my father or showed ordinary to other men and women when meeting them in a casual way. He did not provide me with sufficient clothing for me to be comfortable, and what few things he bought for me he failed to pay for and still owes for them.

I had to often get assistance from my parents. I was well and strong when I married him and weighed 120 lbs but in three months afterwards was made a nervous wreck by his cruelty and fell off in weight to less than 100 lbs. When my health was broken down and my nerves shattered I was compelled to leave him and go to my parents in order to save my health. I believe my health was permanently endangered and my life also endangered to have continued to live with him. Since I left him I have been working in stores and resturants making my own living and he has not contributed to my support as much as a penny.

He is now working for the L& N.R.R. Co and receives about one hundred dollars per month.

I am without means of my own to provide for my support during the pendency of this suit or to pay counsel fees. my father and mother are contributing toward my support.

Mae Johnson.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 18th, day of May, 1920.

T. W. Pickerson, Register
~~Notary Public~~ *La.*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. 273 Face Term, 1920

Mary Johnson

Complainant.....

vs.

Charles C Johnson

Defendant.....

J. W. Riccmon

To 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 Defendant.....

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.

Abner J Smith

Solicitor for Complainant.

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

May Johnson

vs.

Blair C Johnson

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN
VACATION.

Filed June 17 1910

J. M. [Signature]
Register

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