

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. _____ Term, 193_____

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS, _____, Complainant

Vs.

VOTIE HARRIS _____, Defendant

To R. S. DUCK, _____, 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 _____ J. B. BLACKBURN

_____ 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.

J. B. Blackburn
Solicitor for Complainant.

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS,
 Complainant,
 vs.
 VOPIE HARRIS,
 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,
 Answer and Waiver; and Testimony of Claudine Carroll Harris;

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver.

Robert S. Duck
 Register.
 By W. E. Smith
 deputy

CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA. IN EQUITY

CLAUDIE CARROLL HARRIS

No. 577

VS.

PLAINTIFF

VOTIE HARRIS

DEFENDANT

BILL OF COSTS

	Dollars	Cents			
FEES OF REGISTER			Brought Forward ----- \$ 545		
Filing each bill and other papers <u>6</u> -----	\$ 10	60	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%.		
Issuing each subpoena -----	50	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	15	Filing receipting for and docketing each claim, etc.	25	
For each order of publication -----	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		9 85
Docketing each case -----	1 00	1 00	FEES OF SHERIFF		8 00
Entering each appearance -----	25	50	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 -----	75	
Issuing Commission to take testimony ----	50	50	Impaneling Jury -----	75	
Receiving and tiling -----	10	10	Executing Writ of possession -----	2 50	
Endorsing each package -----	10	10	Collecting execution for costs -----	1 50	
Entering order submitting cause -----	50	50	Serving and returning sci. fa., each ----	65	
Entering any other order of court -----	25		Serving and returning notice -----	65	
Noting all testimony -----	50	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	75	Taking and approving bonds, each ----	75	
For every 100 words over 500 -----	15		Collecting money on execution -----		
Taking account, etc. -----	3 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 -----		9 85
Witness certificate, each -----	25		Sheriff's Fees -----		
Issuing execution, each -----	25		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	30		Printer's Fees -----		
Each certificate or affidavit, with seal	50		Trial Tax -----	3 00	3 00
Each certificate or affidavit, no seal	25	25	Recording Decree in Probate Court ----		
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 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 -----	5	45	TOTAL -----		12 85

Received payment this _____ day of _____ 193_____

Register.

CALUDINE CAROLL HARRIS,
Complainant,
vs.
VOTIE HARRIS,
Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

ANSWER

Now comes Votie Harris, the Respondent in the above entitled cause, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint filed therein says:

I, Votie Harris, being the identical person named in the Bill of Complaint, do hereby accept service in the above matter, a copy of the said Bill having been delivered to me, and hereby waive any and all service which may be required or provided by the laws of the State of Alabama.

I further waive any notice as to the taking of testimony in the said cause, and Complainant may take testimony whenever she desires without my being present.

I further agree that said cause may be submitted at any time which suits the convenience of the Complainant without further notice to me and that this Court may enter Decree in said cause at any time it is submitted to it for such Decree, it being my intent to waive all of the formal notices and requisites of the law as to submitting said cause, as to answering said cause and as to taking the depositions of the witnesses in said cause, but insist that the Complainant be required to prove the material allegations of her Bill of Complaint.

I deny each and every allegation of the Bill of Complaint which has not been hereinabove specifically answered and require that strict proof be made of said allegations.

Votie Harris
Respondent

Witnesses:


William Boyers
Calvin and Gertie

STATE OF MICHIGAN

SAGINAW COUNTY

I, Oliver K. Atwood, a Notary Public, within and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Votie Harris, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the instrument, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 21st day of October, 1939.


Notary Public, Saginaw County, Michigan
(Oliver K. Atwood)

Affix Seal.

My commission expires 9/20/40

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

To Any Sheriff of the State of Alabama—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon VOTIE HARRIS

915 North 17th St., Saginaw, Michigan
of _____ 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

CLAUDINE CAROLL HARRIS

against said VOTIE HARRIS

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, R. S. Duck, Register of said Circuit Court, this 10th day of
Oct., 1939.

By: *R. S. Duck* Register
Walter Thompson Deputy Register.

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

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS,

Complainant,

VS.

VOTIE HARRIS,

Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN EQUITY. NUMBER _____.

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, Answer 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 her said bill.

It is therefore, Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court as follows:

That the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the Complainant and Respondent be, and the same are hereby dissolved and the said Claudine Carroll Harris is forever divorced from the said Votie Harris.

It is further Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed by the Court that the said Claudine Carroll Harris be, and she is hereby permitted to resume the use of her maiden name of Claudine Carroll.

It is further Ordered that the said Claudine Carroll be, and she is hereby permitted to again contract marriage but shall not again marry except to the said Votie Harris until sixty days after this date, and if an appeal is taken, within sixty days, she shall not marry again except to the said Votie Harris during the pendency of said appeal.

Done at Monroeville, Alabama, on this the 19th day of November, 1939.



Judge of the Circuit Court.

The State of Alabama, }
Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT

To ORA S. 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 Claudine Carroll Harris

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

CLAUDINE HARRIS

Complainant

and VOTIE HARRIS

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 25th day of Oct. 19 39

COMMISSIONER'S FEE, \$ _____

WITNESS' FEES, \$ _____

R.S. Dauch
By Amelia Thompson Deputy
REGISTER

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Your Oratrix further prays that upon a final hearing of this cause your Honor will enter and grant unto her a decree of divorce dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between Your Oratrix and the Respondent Votie Harris, grant unto her the right to resume the use of her maiden name Claudine Carroll and grant unto her the right to marry again. If your Oratrix is mistaken in the relief prayed for she further prays that the Court will grant unto her such other, further and general relief as she may be entitled to, the premises considered.


Solicitor for Complainant

FOOTNOTE: The said Respondent Votie Harris is required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing Bill of Complaint but not under oath, the benefit whereof is hereby expressly waived.


Solicitor for Complainant

STATE OF ALABAMA,)
BALDWIN COUNTY.)

I, R. S. DUCK, hereby certify that I have mailed a copy of the within summons, together with copy of the Bill of Complaint in the cause of Claudine Carroll Harris versus Votie Harris, to the Respondent, at 915 North 17th Street, Saginaw, Michigan, postage prepaid, marked for delivery only to the person to whom addressed, by registered mail, with return receipt requested.

DATED this the 11th day of October, 1939.

R. S. DUCK, Register,
By: _____
Deputy Register.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County

Received in office this _____
day of _____, 193

Sheriff.

Executed this _____ day of _____, 193
by leaving a copy of the Summons with

Defendant

Sheriff

By _____
Deputy Sheriff

Serve On _____
Circuit Court of Baldwin County
IN EQUITY

No. 577
Summons

CLAUDIE CARROLL HARRIS,
Complainant,

8-113A

vs.
VOTIE HARRIS,
Respondent.

J. B. BLACKBURN,
Solicitor for Complainant

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Field Station 23, 1939
R.S. Duck, Reporter

NO. _____

The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT

Complainant _____

vs.

Defendant _____

COMMISSION TO TAKE DEPOSITION

COMMISSIONER:

WITNESSES:

*Filed
Nov. 13-1939
R. B. & D. B. B. B.*

Register

Original

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS
Complainant,

-to-

VOTIE HARRIS
Respondent,.

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

8-113A

Filed October 10, 1938
R. S. Dault, Register
By Andrew's Simpson, Deputy

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS,

Complainant

vs.

VOTIE HARRIS,

Respondent.

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 13th

day of November 193 9

R. S. Smith

REGISTER

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The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.
CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Vs.

**REQUEST FOR DECREE IN
VACATION**

Filed Nov. 13, 1937

R. S. Duch
Register.

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Register.

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Circuit Court, Baldwin County, Ala.
In Equity.

No _____

*Mailed to
J. Baldwin
Copy
11/20/39*

vs.

COST BILL

Paid _____, 193_____

Register.

The State of Alabama }
Baldwin County

Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,
(In Equity)

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS

COMPLAINANT

vs.

VOTIE HARRIS

RESPONDENT

I, Ora S. Nelson

as ~~Register~~ and Commissioner

have called and caused to come before me Claudine Carroll Harris

witness named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 13th day of November

1939, at the office of J. B. Blackburn

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said witness to speak the

truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said Claudine Carroll Harris

doth depose and say as follows:

My name is Claudine Carroll Harris. I am the Complainant in this cause. I am over twenty-one years of age and am a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, where I have resided for more than twelve months next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint and where I have in fact resided all of my life.

The Respondent, Votie Harris, is over twenty-on years of age and is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, whose residence and post office address is 915 North 17th Street, Saginaw, Michigan. I was lawfully married to the Respondent, Votie Harris by a minister of the gospel near Bay Minette, Alabama, on September 7, 1929 and we lived together as man and wife until on to-wit, August 25, 1935, when the Respondent, Votie Harris, voluntarily abandoned my bed and board and voluntarily abandoned and separated from me. This abandonment on the part of the Respondent, Votie Harris, was without fault on my part and we have not lived together as man and wife since August 25, 1935.

My maiden name was Claudine Carroll.

Claudine Carroll Harris

ORAL EXAMINATION

I, Ora S. Nelson, as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner hereby certify that the foregoing deposition ... on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness ... and read over to her and she signed the same in the presence of myself and J. B. Blackburn at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of said witness ... or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness ... ; that I am not of counsel or of kin to any of the parties to said cause, or any manner interested in the result thereof.

I enclose the said Oral Examination in an envelope to the Register of said Court.

Given under my hand and seal, this 13th day of November 1939.

Ora S. Nelson (L. S.)

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY
IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

COMPLAINANT
VS.

RESPONDENT

ORAL DEPOSITION

Filed Nov. 13, 1939

R. S. Duvall, Register
RECORDED IN _____

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RECORDED

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

CLAUDINE CARROLL HARRIS,
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Respondent.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Filed Nov. 20, 1939
RS Duch
Register

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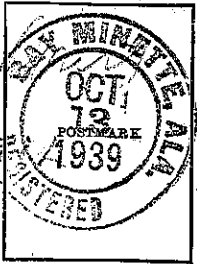
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