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 HENRIETTA PAGE,  
 Complainant. )  
 -vs- )  
 ISHAM PAGE,  
 Defendant. )  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT-EQUITY SIDE.  
 STATE OF ALABAMA.  
 BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, STATE OF ALABAMA, EQUITY SIDE, AND THE HON. JOHN D. LEIGH, JUDGE THEREOF:-

Comes your Complainant, Henrietta Pace, and exhibits this, her bill of complaint for divorce against the defendant, Isham Pace, for voluntary desertion and abandonment and for ground thereof shows unto your Honor and unto this Honorable Court as follows:-

FIRST:

That both the complainant and defendant are over the age of twenty-one years; both residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, where they have resided for the past thirty years or more, both living at Tensaw, Alabama; that your complainant has resided in this county as a bona fide resident for the past thirty years or more next immediately preceeding the filing of this bill of complaint.

SECOND:-

That the complainant and defendant were married more than thirty years ago and lived to-gether as man and wife for about ten years.

THIRD:-

That about the year 1902, more than twenty years ago, the defendant, Isham Pace, voluntarily deserted and abandoned your complainant, without just cause or legal excuse and has, since that time, continued to so abandon and desert her and has never returned to live with her as his wife; that said desertion and abandonment took place more thantwo years before the filing of this bill of complaint.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED:-Complainant prays that this court take jurisdiction of this cause and that proper orders, notices and subpoenas be issued to the defendant, Isham Pace, requiring him to appear and plead, answer or demur to this bill of complaint within the time required by law, under the pains and penalties of the rules of this court; and that he be made a party respondent hereto.



PRAYER FOR RELIEF.

That upon a final hearing of this cause that your Honor will render adjudge and decree that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the complainant, Henrietta Pace and the defendant, Isham Pace, be forever dissolved and that the complainant be again permitted to contract the marriage relation, should she so desire. And, as in duty bound, your complainant will ever pray, etc., etc.,

STONE & STONE.

As Solicitors for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE: The defendant, Isham Pace, is required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing bill of complaint from "FIRST" to "THIRD", both inclusive, but not under oath, answer under oath being hereby expressly waived.

STONE & STONE.

As Solicitors for Complainant.

*[Handwritten notes and signatures on the left side of the page, including names like 'J. G. ...' and 'W. J. ...' and various scribbles.]*



The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County.

No. 359. CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Henrietta Pace

Complainant.....

vs.

Isham Pace

Defendant.....

This cause, coming on to be heard at this Term, was submitted upon the Bill of Complaint, decree pro confesso and the 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 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 Complainant is forever divorced from the Defendant.

*An account of Abandonment*

It is further ordered, that the said Henrietta Pace be, and she is hereby permitted to again contract marriage, upon the payment of the costs of Court in this cause.

It is further ordered, that the said Henrietta Pace 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 Isham Pace

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that said Henrietta Pace shall not again marry except to said Isham Pace until sixty days after this date, and that if an appeal is taken within sixty days he shall not marry again except to said Isham Pace, during the pendency of said appeal.

This 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 192<sup>3</sup>

*John S. Leigh*  
Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Register of said Circuit Court of said County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above is a full, true and correct copy of the decree rendered by said Court on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 192\_\_\_\_, in the cause of

Complainant.....

vs.

Defendant.....

as appears of record in said Court.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 192\_\_\_\_

Register.



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No. 359.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT IN EQUITY.  
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALA.

Henrietta Pace

Vs.

Isham Pace,

DECREE OF DIVORCE.

Filed in office this

10th

day of April, 1923

*J. M. Peterson*

Register.

E. O. M.

BOND  
NEWBORN

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

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 HENRIETTA PACE, )  
     Complainant. )  
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 ISHAM PACE, )  
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 quired by law, under the pains and penalties of the rules of this court;  
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STONE & STONE.

As Solicitors for Complainant.

FOOT NOTE:- The defendant, Isham Pace, is required to answer each and every paragraph of the foregoing bill of complaint from "FIRST" to "THIRD", both inclusive, but not under oath, answer under oath being hereby expressly waived.

STONE & STONE.

As Solicitors for Complainant.



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 Isham Pace,

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

Henrietta Pace,

against said Isham Pace,

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 30th, day of Nov.

1922

  
Register.

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



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Serve on.....

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,  
IN EQUITY.

No.....

SUMMONS.

Henrietta Pace,

vs.

Isham Pace.

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Stone and Stone.

Solicitor for Complainant.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Received in office this.....

day of ..... 191.....

Sheriff.

Executed this *12<sup>th</sup>* day of

*January* 19*13*

by leaving a copy of the within Summons with

*Isham Pace*

Defendant

*W R Steward*

Sheriff

By *D O Slaughter*

Deputy Sheriff.

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The State of Alabama, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

No. 359 CIRCUIT COURT IN EQUITY.

Henrietta Pace

Complainant...

vs.

Sham Pace

Defendant...

Motion is hereby made for a Decree Pro Confesso against Sham Pace

Defendant...

in the above stated cause, on the ground that more than thirty days have elapsed since service of summons upon said Defendant.....; and that said summons was duly served according to law, and that said Defendant.....ha..... failed to demur, plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause to this date.

This 12 day of February 1923,

Howard Stone

Solicitor.



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STATE OF ALABAMA,  
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Annella Pace

Vs.

John Pace

MOTION FOR DECREE PRO  
CONFESSE ON PERSONAL SERVICE

Filed Sept 12th 1923,

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Register.

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Baldwin Times Print, Bay Minette.

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*Franklin*  
*the 2/12/23*  
*buy Monday*

*J. M. Riccioron*  
*Register*



The State of Alabama,  
Baldwin County.

No. 359 CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

Herratta Pace Complainant

vs.

Sham Pace Defendant

In this cause it appears to the Register  
that a Summons requiring the Defendant Sham Pace

to appear and demur, plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause within thirty days after the service of said

Summons upon Sham Pace

was served upon him by the Sheriff of Baldwin County, Alabama, on the

12th day of February 1923

And the said Defendant..... having failed to demur, plead to or answer the said Bill of Complaint to this date,

it is now, therefore, on motion of Stone & Stone Solicitors

for Complainant It is

ordered and decreed that the said Bill of Complaint in this cause be and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed

against the said Sham Pace

The Defendant... aforesaid.

This 12th day of February 1923

J. M. Peterson

Register.



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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT IN EQUITY.

Hermina Pace

Vs.

Grant Pace

DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON  
PERSONAL SERVICE.

Issued February 12<sup>th</sup> 1923

M. R. ...

Register.

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J. J. ...



THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. .... Term, 191.....

*Henretta Pace*

Complainant.....

vs.

*Isham Pace*

Defendant.....

To *Hon J W Beckerson*, 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 *Stover & Stover*

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.

*Stover & Stover*

Solicitor for Complainant.



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

*Hewetta Paul*

vs.

*John Paul*

REQUEST FOR DECREE IN  
VACATION.

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*D W Reardon*

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Henrietta Pace

vs.

Isham Pace,

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 confessor, testimony of Henrietta Pace, Violet Baston,  
P.B. Benjamin,

and in behalf of Defendant upon.....

*J. W. Richardson*

Register



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No. 359

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY,  
CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

*Henrietta Pace.*

vs.

*Isaac Pace*

NOTE OF TESTIMONY.

Filed in Open Court this *9th*

day of *April* 19*13*

*D. W. Williams*

Register

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, BALDWIN COUNTY, IN EQUITY.

HENRIETTA PACE Complainant.

vs.

ISHAM PACE Respondent.

I T. W. Richerson

as Register in Chancery

have called and caused to come before me Henrietta Pace, the complainant, Violet Boston and P. B. Benjamin, all witnesses for the complainant.

witness S named in the Requirement for Oral Examination, on the 9th day of April, 1925, at the office of The Register

in Bay Minette, Alabama, and having first sworn said witness S to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said witnesses

doth depose and say as follows:

HENRIETTA PACE, the complainant and a witness for the complainant testifies as follows:- My name is Henrietta Pace and I am the complainant in the above styled cause. I am over the age of twenty one years, being about sixty years of age, I do not know my exact age; Isham Pace is over the age of twenty one years, being over sixty years old; I do not know exactly how old he is; I and the said Isham Pace are both residents of Baldwin County, Alabama, I having lived in this county continuously for more than thirty years and Isham having lived here longer than me; we both are residents of this county at this time. I have resided in this county continuously for more than three years next immediately preceding the filing of my bill for divorce.

I and the said Isham Pace were married more than thirty years ago at or near Tensaw or Montgomery Hill in this county; we lived together as man and wife for about ten years, three weeks less than ten years. That more than twenty years ago, about the year 1902, the defendant, Isham Pace voluntarily deserted and abandoned me without just cause or legal excuse and has, since that time, continued to desert and abandon me and has never returned to live with me as his wife. This desertion took place for more than two years next immediately preceding the filing of my bill for divorce and has continued since that time. I did not give him any reason to leave me as he did. I have not lived with him since that time.

*Walter H. Stovall*  
*Walter H. Stovall*

*Henrietta Pace*  
*mkh*



VIOLET BOSTON, witness for complainant testifies as follows:-

My name is Violet Boston. I am a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing at or near Tensaw, Alabama, where I have lived continuously for more than twenty years; I do not know exactly how long. I am over sixty years of age. I do not know my exact age. I know Henrietta Pace and Isham Pace; I have know them both ever since I have lived in this county; they are both over twenty one years of age; I do not know their exact ages, Henrietta is about sixty and Isham ~~may be~~ about the same age, maybe a little older; they have lived in this county at or near Tensaw or Montgomery Hill in Baldwin County continuously ever since I have been there, over twenty years to my personal knowledge. This residence of their has been continuous for this period of time. I was not present at the wedding ceremony of Henrietta and Isham Pace for they were married before I lived in this county but they were living together as man and wife when I moved to Tensaw. Shortly after I moved to Tensaw the said Henrietta Pace and Isham Pace separated; Isham pace deserting and leaving Henrietta Pace; he has never returned to live with her as his wife since that time; I ~~now~~ reside very near Henrietta, living not more than a half mile from her and I see her nearly every day. This desertion took place more than two years before October 30th., 1922, the date I am informed she started her divorce case; I know of no cause he had for leaving her as he did.

*P. B. Benjamin*  
*Violet X Boston*  
*mark*

P. B. BENJAMIN, a witness for the complainant, testifies as follows:-

My name is P. B. Benjamin, I live in Baldwin County, Alabama, near Tensaw where I have lived for the past eight or nine years continuously. I am over seventy years of age. I know Henrietta Pace and her husband Isham Pace; they are both over the age of twenty one years, both beaing around sixty years of age judging from their looks. Henrietta Pace resides in Baldwin County, Alabama, near me where she has lived during all of the time that I have been in this county and this has been continuously. Isham Pace also is a resident of this county, he having also lived here since I have been here. Henrcetta Pace and Isham Pace have been reputed to be man and wife ever since I have been in this county. I was not at the wedding ceremony. They have not lived together for the past eight or nine years that I have lived in thier community. This living apart has been continuously and for morethan two...



years before October, 1922, the time I am told Henrietta Pace filed her bill for divorce. Henrietta Pace has resided in this county continuously for more than three years next immediately preceeding the filing date of her divorce bill which I am told was in October 1922.

*W. B. Benjamin*



ORAL EXAMINATION.

I, J.W. Riccison, as Register

hereby certify that the foregoing deposition.....on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the words of the witness us 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 said witness us 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 in 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 9th day of April, 1923  
J.W. Riccison (L.S.)

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The State of Alabama  
Medlow Grandly

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Thurmona Pace,

vs. Complainant,

William Pace,

Respondent.

ORAL DEPOSITION.

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