

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM, Complainant, vs. MINNIE LEE HAMM, Respondent.	 : : : : 	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN EQUITY
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BILL FOR DIVORCE

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. Hare, Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Sitting in Equity:-

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM, Your Complainant, by this, his Bill of Complaint presented against MINNIE LEE HAMM, the Respondent, respectfully shows:

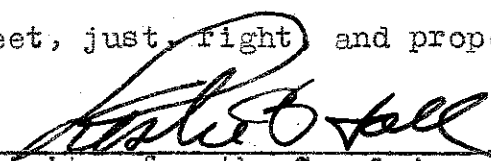
1. That Your Complainant is a resident of this State and County, and over the age of twenty one years.
2. That The Respondent is also a resident of this State, residing in Mobile County, Alabama, and that she is over the age of twenty one years.
3. That Your Complainant and the Respondent were married at Pascagoula, Mississippi, on, to-wit: November 23, 1934, and lived together as husband and wife in the State of Alabama until, to-wit: June 8, 1937.
4. That Your Complainant has been a bona fide resident citizen of this State for more than twelve months next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint.
5. That on, to-wit: June 8, 1937, while living in Baldwin County, Alabama, the Respondent voluntarily abandoned the Complainant from his bed and board, without fault on the part of Complainant, and has lived separate and apart from him for more than two years next preceding the filing of this Bill of Complaint.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Your Complainant prays that the said MINNIE LEE HAMM be made party Respondent to this Bill of Complaint, and that proper notice be served upon her, and that she be notified to answer within the time prescribed by law, and to abide by such orders as may be made in the premises.

Complainant further prays that upon the submission of this Cause, a decree may be rendered in his favor forever

divorcing him from the said MINNIE LEE HAMM, granting him the right to re-marry should he so desire.

AND if the Complainant has not asked for the proper relief, the premises considered, he prays that the Court may grant to him such further, additional, other, and different relief as to your Honor may seem meet, just, right and proper, in equity.


Solicitor for the Complainant.

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM,	§	In Equity
Complainant,	∴	
	∴	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
vs.	∴	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
	∴	
MINNIE LEE HAMM,	∴	
Respondent.	∴	

ANSWER AND WAIVER OF RESPONDENT

Comes Now MINNIE LEE HAMM, Respondent in the above-styled cause, and for answer to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause says:

1. That she admits the allegations of Paragraph 1 of said Bill of Complaint, as to the residence and age of the Complainant;
2. That she admits the allegations of Paragraph 2 of said Bill of Complaint, as to the residence of and age of the Respondent;
3. That she admits the allegations of said Bill of Complaint as to the Marriage of the Complainant and Respondent;
4. That she denies each and every other allegation of said Bill of Complaint, separately and severally;

AND she hereby expressly waives service of process, notice of demand for oral examination of Complainant's witnesses, of the issuance of commission to take testimony, of notice of the time and place set for taking the same, of the right to cross-examine Complainant's witnesses, and of the right to introduce evidence in her own behalf; and she also expressly waives any question that may arise as to venue of said action; she further agrees that said cause may be submitted for final decree at any time on the pleadings and on evidence of Complainant as noted by the Register.

Signed this 28 day of March, 1940.

X Minnie Lee Hamm.

Witnesses to signature:

Mrs. Roland Orr.

Mrs. W. J. Collier

The State of Alabama, Baldwin County

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM, Complainant

vs.

MINNIE LEE HAMM, Respondent

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted upon Bill of Complaint, ~~Decree Pro Confesso~~ on Answer and Waiver of Respondent 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 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 that the said GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM is forever divorced from the said

MINNIE LEE HAMM

for and on account of Voluntary Abandonment.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that neither party to this suit shall again marry except to each other until sixty days after the rendition of this decree, and that if appeal is taken within sixty days, neither party shall again marry except to each other during the pendency of said appeal.

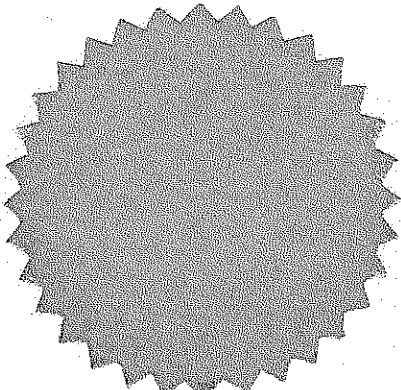
It is further ordered that said Complainant and said Respondent be, and are hereby permitted to again contract marriage upon the payment of the cost of this suit.

It is further ordered that said Complainant, George Washington Hamm, the Complainant, pay the cost herein to be taxed, for which execution may issue.

This 6th day of June, 19 40.

F. W. Hare
Judge Circuit Court, in Equity.

I, _____, Register of the Circuit Court for Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original decree rendered by the Judge of the Circuit Court in the above stated cause, which said decree is on file and enrolled in my office.



Witness my hand and seal this the _____ day of _____, 19 _____

Register of Circuit Court, in Equity.

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The State of Alabama
Baldwin County

In Circuit Court, In Equity

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM,

vs. Complainant.

MINNIE LEE HAMM,

Respondent.

DIVORCE DECREE

*Filed June 9, 1940
H.S. Cook, Register*

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Complainant,

vs.

MINNIE LEE HAMM,
Respondent.

ANSWER AND WAIVER OF RESPONDENT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN EQUITY

Filed in office this 29
day of March, 1940.

J. P. Black
Register,

by J. P. Black
Deputy Register.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

No. XXX 619 May Term, 1940

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM, _____, Complainant

Vs.

MINNIE LEE HAMM, _____, Defendant

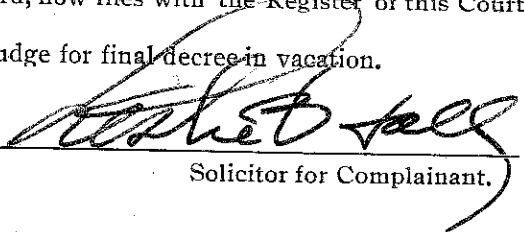
To R. S. DUCK, _____, Register :

Answer & Waiver filed by

In the above stated cause and ~~Decree Pro Confess~~ having been ~~taken against~~ the Defendant, and evidence having been taken, and the cause being ready for submission for final decree, and ~~no~~ evidence for Respondent having been waived, ~~defense having been interposed,~~ the Complainant, by _____

LESLIE HALL

_____ Solicitor 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.



Solicitor for Complainant.

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM,

vs.

MINNIE LEE HAMM,

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, _____
~~upon the original Bill of Complaint~~ and upon the Testimony of
George Washington Hamm and of J. J. Duce Call, for the
Complainant, upon Request for Decree in Vacation by Leslie Hall,
as Solicitor for the Complainant,

and in behalf of Defendant upon Answer and Waiver of right to submit evidence.

R. S. Duce

Register.

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The State of Alabama
BALDWIN COUNTY

IN EQUITY
Circuit Court of Baldwin County

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM

vs.

MINNIE LEE HAMM

NOTE OF TESTIMONY

Filed in Open Court this 3

day of June 1940

R. S. Dudd

REGISTER

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

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM,

Vs.

MINNIE LEE HAMM

**REQUEST FOR DECREE IN
VACATION**

Filed June 3, 1940

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

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

GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM,

COMPLAINANT

VS.

MINNIE LEE HAMM,

RESPONDENT

I, B. Skidmore, Deputy Clerk and Notary Public,

as ~~Register and~~ Commissioner in above stated cause,

have called and caused to come before me GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM and J. J. McCall,

witness ~~as named in the Requirement for Oak Examination~~ for Complainant, on the 30th day of May,

1940, at the office of Clerk of Richland Parish, Louisiana,

Rayville, Louisiana, Alabama and having first sworn said witness ~~es~~ to speak the truth,

the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, the said GEORGE WASHINGTON HAMM

doth depose and say as follows:

I am the Complainant in this case. I am 80 years old, and live near Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Alabama. I was married to Minnie Lee Hamm in Pascagoula, Mississippi, on November 23rd, 1934. She is now living in Mobile County, Alabama, and is over 21 years of age.

After our marriage, we lived together as husband and wife in Baldwin County, Alabama, until June 8, 1937, when my wife left me without any cause or fault on my part. She has continued to live separate and apart from my bed and board since that date.

I have been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Alabama for more than 12 months next preceding the filing of the Bill of Complaint in this Cause. In fact, I have lived in this State all my life. I have lived in Baldwin County, Alabama for more than 50 years.

(Signed): X George Washington Hamm

The said J. J. McCall
doth depose and say on oath as follows:

I know George Washington Hamm, the Complainant in this Cause, and I also know Minnie Lee Hamm, the Respondent. I have known them for more than 25 years. George Washington Hamm is a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and over 21 years of age. Minnie Lee Hamm is also over 21 years of age. These parties were married several years ago, and lived together in Baldwin County, Alabama, as husband and wife until sometime in the Summer of 1937, when Minnie Lee Hamm left George Washington Hamm, and they have not lived together since that date. The Complainant has been a bona fide resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, for more than 12 months next preceding the filing of the Bill of Complaint in this case.

(Signed): XX J. J. McCall

ORAL EXAMINATION

I, B. Shidmore, By Clerk & Notary Public
as ~~Register and Commissioner~~ hereby certify
that the foregoing deposition~~s~~ on Oral Examination was taken down in writing by me in the
words of the witness~~s~~ and read over to them and they signed the same in the presence
of myself B. Shidmore, By Clerk & Notary Public
at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of personal identity of
said witness~~s~~ or had proof made before me of the identity of said witness~~s~~ 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 30 day of May, 19 40.

B. Shidmore
~~Commissioner~~ By Clerk & Notary Public (L. S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Baldwin County

IN CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY

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Respondent

ORAL DEPOSITION

Filed June 3, 19 40

R.S. Dink, Register

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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IN EQUITY

Filed in office this 19th day of
March, 1940.

R. S. Dorch
Register,

by Haukies Thompson
as Deputy Register.