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- 8. That your complainant has contributed to the acquisition of this estate and by her own efforts and as her own property, has accumulated over the years a herd of dairy cattle, which now consists of thirty head, being fifteen cows and fifteen heifers and calves; that the respondent has never taken any interest in nor care of the cows but your complainant has always fed, milked and dared for them and sold the products, elthough the income therefrom she has always turned over to the respondent.
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WHEREFORE, your complainant prays that your Honor will grant to her the writ of summons of the State of Alabama directed to the respondent, Gustav Mueller, and require said respondent to appear before this Honorable Court within the time allowed by law, and answer, demurrer plead to this bill of complaint, and abide such order and decree as may be entered therein; and your complainant will ever pray, etc.

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STATE OF ALABAMA)
BALLWIN COUNTY

Francis Mueller, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

That she is the foregoing complainant, has read and knows the contents of the foregoing bill of complaint and that the facts therein setforth are true.

Mrs. Francis Mueller

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me

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The State of Alabama,

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PRANCIS MUELLER,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN CHANCERY COAPU.
BILL OF COMPLAINT

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HAPP, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALEWIN

COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN CHANCERY SITTING:

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Your Complainant, Francis Musiler, respectfully shows unto your Honor that she is over the age of twenty-one years and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing near Elberta therein, and that the respondent, Gustav Mueller, is also over the age of twenty-one years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing near Elberta therein.

PART TWO

Your complainant further evers and shows to the courts

- I. That she was lewfully married to the respondent in Berlin, Germany on the 6th day of June, 1915 and ever since said marriage has conducted herself toward the respondent as a faithful and obedient wife.
- 2. That complainent and respondent moved to a farm near Elberta, Baldwin County, Alabama in October, 1917, where they have continuously resided ever since November, 1925.
- 3. That the issue of the marriage between the parties is one daughter, Gertrude Mueller, who is now the age of twenty-three years.
- 4. That the respondent has recently become very abusive to your complainant; has struck, beat and choked her and in other ways committed actual violence on her person; he has threatened to do her great bodily harm, and, in fact, to kill her and complainant has been and is afraid that he will carry out these threats as his temper, which has always been violent, has in recent months become ungovernable and that such conduct on the part of the respondent towards your complainant has seriously affected her health and she

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,) BALDWIN COUNTY,

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA.... ORRETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon GUSTAV MURLLER of Baldwin County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery Jurisdiction, within thirty days after service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by Brancis Mueller, against said Gustav Mueller, and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Respondent 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 7th day of June, 1940.

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FRANCIS MUELLER, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN CHANCERY
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FRANCIS MUELLER,

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IN CHANCERY

BILL OF COMPLAINT

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN CHANCERY SITTING:

PART ONE

Your complainant, Francis Mueller, rexpectfully shows unto your Honor that she is over the age of twenty-one years and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing near Elberta therein, and that the respondent, Gustav Mueller, is also over the age of twenty-one years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing near Elberta therein.

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Your complainant further avers and shows to the court:

- 1. That she was lawfully married to the respondent in Berlin, Germany on the 6th day of June, 1913 and ever since said marriage has conducted herself toward the respondent as a faithful and obedient wife.
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- 4. That the respondent has recently become very abusive to your complainant; has struck, beat and choked her and in other ways committed actual violence on her person; he has threatened to do her great bodily harm, and, in fact, to kill her and complainant has been and is afraid that he will carry out these threats as his temper, which has always been violent, has in recent months become ungovernable and that such conduct on the part of the respondent towards your complainant has seriously affected her health and she

has become distraught, nervous, sick and afraid and she verily believes that her life and health are in danger if she continues to live with the respondent.

- 5. That on May 24th, 1940 the respondent again assaulted your complainant, spit in her face and choked her and threatened to kill her and she was obliged to leave her home and take refuge with a neighbor and is afraid to attempt to live any longer with the respondent.
- 6. That your complainant is a devout Roman Catholic and by her religion, is prohibited from obtaining a divorce from the respondent, but because of the cruel, inhuman treatment of the respondent, she desires a legal separation and a divorce from bed and board.
- 7. That the parties had nothing when they came to Baldwin County but have both worked hard and lived frugally and they now own a forty-acre farm, well improved, together with a large amount of personal property.
- 8. That your complainant has contributed to the acquisition of this estate and by her own efforts and as her own property, has accummulated over the years a herd of dairy cattle, which now consists of thirty head, being fifteen cows and fifteen heifers and calves; that the respondent has never taken any interest in nor care of the cows but your complainant has always fed, milked and cared for them and sold the products, although the income therefrom she has always turned over to the respondent.
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Francis Mueller, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me

this 1st day of June, 1940.

Notary Public.

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)

BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA....GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon GUSTAV MUELLER of Baldwin County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without oath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by Francis Mueller, against said Gustav Mueller, and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Respondent 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 7th day of June, 1940.

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LLOYD A. MAGNHY Attorney-at-Law Foley, Alabama.

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That she is the foregoing complainant, has read and knows the contents of the foregoing bill of complaint and that the facts therein setforth are true.

Mrs. Francis Mueller

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The State of Alabama, BALDWIN COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT. (Equity)

June_ Term, 1940

Francis Muller, Camplairants No (636) vs. Dustan Mutter, Respondent

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IN THE CIPCUIT COURT OF BALLWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
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WITNESS, R. S. Duck, Register of said Circuit Court, this 7th day of June, 1940.

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FRANCIS MUELLER,

Complainant,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY

vs.

BILL OF COMPLAINT

GUSTAV MUELLER,

Respondent.

TO THE HONORABLE F. W. HARE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN CHANCERY SITTING:

PART ONE

Your complainant, Francis Mueller, rexpectfully shows unto your Honor that she is over the age of twenty-one years and a bona fide resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing near Elberta therein, and that the respondent, Gustav Mueller, is also over the age of twenty-one years and a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing near Elberta therein.

PART TWO

Your complainant further avers and shows to the court:

- That she was lawfully married to the respondent in Berlin, Germany on the 6th day of June, 1913 and ever since said marriage has conducted herself toward the respondent as a faithful and obedient wife.
- That complainant and respondent moved to a farm near Elberta, Baldwin County, Alabama in October, 1917, where they have continuously resided ever since. November, 1925.
- 3. That the issue of the marriage between the parties is one daughter, Gertrude Mueller, who is now the age of twenty-three years.
- That the respondent has recently become very abusive to your complainant; has struck, beat and choked her and in other ways committed actual violence on her person; he has threatened to do her great bodily harm, and, in fact, to kill her and complainant has been and is afraid that he will carry out these threats as his temper, which has always been violent, has in recent months become ungovernable and that such conduct on the part of the respondent towards your complainant has seriously affected her health and she

has become distraught, nervous, sick and afraid and she verily believes that her life and health are in danger if she continues to live with the respondent.

- 5. That on May 24th, 1940 the respondent again assaulted your complainant, spit in her face and choked her and threatened to kill her and she was obliged to leave her home and take refuge with a neighbor and is afraid to attempt to live any longer with the respondent.
- 6. That your complainant is a devout Roman Catholic and by her religion, is prohibited from obtaining a divorce from the respondent, but because of the cruel, inhuman treatment of the respondent, she desires a legal separation and a divorce from bed and board.
- 7. That the parties had nothing when they came to Baldwin County but have both worked hard and lived frugally and they now own a forty-acre farm, well improved, together with a large amount of personal property.
- 8. That your complainant has contributed to the acquisition of this estate and by her own efforts and as her own property, has accumulated over the years a herd of dairy cattle, which now consists of thirty head, being fifteen cows and fifteen heifers and calves; that the respondent has never taken any interest in nor care of the cows but your complainant has always fed, milked and cared for them and sold the products, although the income therefrom she has always turned over to the respondent.
- 9. Your complainant has also accummulated a flock of one hund red fifty laying hens and about ninety chickens and these, too, have always been recognized by the respondent as the property of the complainant, although all of the earnings therefrom have been by her turned over to the respondent or invested in the home.
- 10. In addition to the cows and chickens, the respondent has three horses, seventeen hogs, all his farm machinery and tools, a truck and an automobile, but he now refuses to permit your complainant to take any of her cows or chickens, refuses to provide, in any way, for her support and maintenance although she is fifty

years old and in poor health and unable to earn her living by employment and complainant avers that your Honor should decree to her as her share of the community property and to enable her to support herself in her declining years, the cows and chickens which she has by her own efforts accumulated.

ll. Your complainant further avers that the respondent now threatens to sell and dispose of all of the personal property and abandon and leave your complainant and she verily believes that he will do so, unless restrained by the order of this court; and complainant will be irreparably injured thereby.

PRAYER FOR PROCESS

WHEREFORE, your complainant prays that your Honor will grant to her the writ of summons of the State of Alabama directed to the respondent, Gustab Mueller, and require said respondent to appear before this Honorable Court within the time allowed by law, and answer, demurrer plead to this bill of complaint, and abide such order and decree as may be entered therein; and your complainant will ever pray, etc.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Your complainant further prays that upon a final hearing of this cause, your Honor will grant to her a divorce from the bed and board of the respondent; that your Honor will award to her an allowance out of the estate of the respondent for her support and maintenance; that pending the hearing, your Honor will grant to your complainant an order restraining the respondent from selling or disposing of any of the property of the parties, except the crops and products of the farm which are produced for sale, until the further order of this court and that your complainant may have such other, further and different relief in the premises as may be just and equitable.

M /// Wachul/ Solicitor for Complainant.

STATE OF ALABAMA)
BALDWIN COUNTY)

Francis Mueller, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

That she is the foregoing complainant, has read and knows the contents of the foregoing bill of complaint and that the facts therein setforth are true.

Mrs Francis Shuelles

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 1st day of June, 1940.

Notary Public.

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)

BALDWIN COUNTY.

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA....GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon GUSTAV MUELLER of Baldwin County, to be and appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, exercising Chancery jurisdiction, within thirty days after service of Summons, and there to answer, plead or demur, without cath, to a Bill of Complaint lately exhibited by Brancis Mueller, against said Gustav Mueller, and further to do and perform what said Judge shall order and direct in that behalf. And this the said Respondent shall in no wise omit, under penalty, etc. And we further command that you return this writ with your andorsement thereon, to our said Court immediately upon the execution thereof.

WITNESS, R. S. Duck, Register of said Circuit Court, this 7th day of June, 1940.

R.S. Quel