

No. 163
IN THE BALTIMORE CITY

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GEORGE BROWN

VS.

UNITED RAILWAY & ELECTRIC
COMPANY OF BALTIMORE CITY,
a Body corporate.

Mr. Clerk:-

Please file.

J. Steward Davis

George W. Evans
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

J. STEWARD DAVIS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
215 SAINT PAUL PLACE
BALTIMORE, MD.

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GEORGE BROWN

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IN THE

VS.

UNITED RAILWAY & ELECTRIC
COMPANY OF BALTIMORE CITY,
a body corporate

:

BALTIMORE CITY COURT

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George Brown, plaintiff, by J. Steward Davis and George W. Evans his attorneys, sues the United Railway and Electric Company, a body corporate.

For that the United Railway and Electric Company of Baltimore City is a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland, and is engaged as a public carrier for the transportation of passengers by means of electrically propelled lines over the streets of Baltimore City.

For that whereas, the plaintiff, to wit, the 24th day of December, 1923 at Baltimore City, in the State aforesaid, was driving his automobile along and upon a certain street or highway known as Light Street at or near to its intersection with another certain street or highway known as Hillen St. upon which said defendant had a certain railroad which passed along said Hillen Street and over and across said Light Street at said intersection; and the said defendant had then and there a certain street car or motor car which street car or motor car was then and there under the care, control and management of then, servants of the defendant, who were then driving, propelling or operating the same along said railroad tract on Hillen Street aforesaid in a westerly direction near and toward the crossing or intersection of said Hillen Street with Light Street as aforementioned.

And while the plaintiff with due care for his own safety and the safety of others was then and there driving his automobile in a southerly direction upon and along the said Light Street, at the crossing aforesaid, the defendant, whose duty it then was to cause said street car or motor car to approach and pass the said crossing there, with great care, caution and diligence, aid by its servants, then and there so carelessly and negligently cause said street car or motor car to be driven to and over said crossing, that the said street car or motor car ran into and struck against the plaintiff's automobile with great force and thereby the plaintiff's automobile was greatly damaged.

Wherefore the plaintiff's ^{automobile} was greatly damaged and claims therefor \$1500.00.

*J. Steward Davis
George Evans
attorneys for plaintiff*

The plaintiff elects to have the case tried before a
Jury and prays leave of court to do so.

J. Steward Davis
George W. Evans
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

TO THE DEFENDANT:-

TAKE NOTICE: That on the day of your appearance to this action in the Baltimore City Court, a rule will be entered requiring you to plead to the aforesaid declaration within thirty days.

J. Howard Lewis

George Evans

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

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Baltimore City Court.

George Brown

vs.

The United Railways and Electric
Company of Baltimore

WRIT OF SUMMONS

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Copy of Nar and Notice to plead
within to be served on defendant.

J. Stewart Davis
George W. Evans

Attorney for Plaintiff

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STATE OF MARYLAND

BALTIMORE CITY TO WIT:

To the Sheriff of Baltimore City, Greeting:

You are commanded to summon.....

The United Railways and Electric Company of Baltimore, a body corporate

of Baltimore City, to appear before the Baltimore City Court, to be held at the Court House in the same city, on the second Monday of..... February..... inst..... ~~next~~, to answer an action at the suit of.....

George Brown

and have you then and there this writ.

James P. Gorter

Witness the Honorable ~~MORRIS A. SOBBER~~ Chief Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore

City, the..... 14th..... day of..... January..... 192 4

Issued the..... 2nd..... day of..... February..... in the year 192 4

Geo. Carey Lindsay Clerk.

SHERIFF'S RETURN

SUMMONED THE UNITED RAILWAYS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY OF BALTIMORE, A CORPORATION, BY SERVICE ON ^{Edward Early, Assistant} ~~JOHN T. STAUB~~, TREASURER, AND A COPY OF NAR AND NOTICE TO PLEAD WITH A COPY OF THE PROCESS LEFT WITH SAID ^{Assistant} TREASURER.

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SHERIFF

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BALTIMORE.

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J. Embury Stone
Attorney for Defendant.

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George Brown

In the
Baltimore City Court

vs.

THE UNITED RAILWAYS AND
ELECTRIC COMPANY OF
BALTIMORE,
a corporation.

P L E A .

The Defendant, The United Railways and Electric Company
of Baltimore, by J. Pembroke Thom, its attorney, for Plea, says:

That it did not commit the wrongs alleged.


J. Pembroke Thom

Attorney for Defendant.

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Plaintiff
Guy Dick
Verdict for
Defendant.

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BEFORE THE JUDGE AT LARGE. No. 3.

1st-3 Weeks September Term, 1925

(Beginning Monday, September 14th, 1925)

W. STUART SYMINGTON, JR., Judge.

BALTIMORE CITY COURT

George Brown.

United Ry. & Electric Co. of
Baltimore & Body Corporate

Jury Sworn 16th Sept. 1925.

Harry C. Williams Foreman.

- ~~1~~ JOHN A. HAYES, Statistician, B. & O. R. R., 26 S. Fulton Ave.
- 2 IRVING B. MARTIN, Hatmaker, Hobbs Francis Co., 2011 Belair Road.
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- HARRY O. PERRY, Merchant Tailor, 226 Homewood Terrace.
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BEFORE THE JUDGE AT LARGE No.

SUMMONS FOR WITNESS

ROOM 135

No. 165

In Baltimore City Court.

Sept Term, 1925

The Sheriff will please summon the following witnesses:

Returnable on Tuesday the 15 day of Sept
1925, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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GEORGE BROWN

:

IN THE

VS.

:

THE UNITED RAILWAYS &
ELECTRIC COMPANY OF
BALTIMORE CITY, a body
corporate

:

BALTIMORE CITY COURT.

Mr. Clerk:-

Please summon the following witnesses and make the
same returnable at 10 A.M. Tuesday, September 15, 1925 in the
Baltimore City Court, Judge Dawkins Room 326 Court House.

- 3 Captain George Brown..... steamer Favorite
Foot of Broadway
- 10 Irving Hall..... 1101 Druid Hill Ave.,
- 11 Frank Brown..... 2103 Druid Hill Ave.

Davis Evans
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

OXFORD BOND

Brown

vs

United Ry. & Elec. Cos.

By att
(11/27/25)

In Baltimore City Court.

ROOM 134

January Term, 1925

The Sheriff will please summon the following witnesses:

Returnable on Wednesday the 28 day of January
1925, at 10 o'clock A. M.

GEORGE BROWN

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VS.

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IN THE

THE UNITED RAILWAYS &
ELECTRIC COMPANY OF
BALTIMORE CITY, a body
corporate

:

BALTIMORE CITY COURT.

Mr. Clerk:-

Please summon the following witnesses and make the same returnable at 10 A.M. Jan. 28th, 1925 in the Baltimore City Court, Judge Duke Bond, Room 134 Court House:

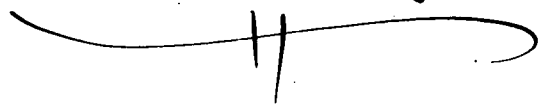
- sd* Captain George Brown.....*pp*.....2103 Druid Hill Ave.
- Irving Hall.....*sp*.....1101 Druid Hill Ave.
- sd* Frank Brown.....*sd*.....2103 Druid Hill Ave.

Davis & Evans
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

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BEFORE THE JUDGE AT LARGE No.

SUMMONS FOR WITNESS

ROOM 135

No. 165

In Baltimore City Court.

Sept Term, 1925

The Sheriff will please summon the following witnesses:

Returnable on Tuesday the 15 day of Sept.
1925, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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GEORGE S. BROWN

vs.

The United Railways & Electric Co.
of Baltimore

In the

BALTIMORE CITY COURT #3

Mr. Clerk,—

Please have summoned the below mentioned witnesses to testify for the defendant in the above entitled case, returnable **Tuesday, September 15, 1925, at 10 A.M.**

- 6* Steve Fuka *sd* 925 N. Maderia Street
- 6* George H. Sabiston *sd* 2524 Ashland Avenue
- 6* Frederick W. Langkam *sd* 3125 McElderry Street
- 4* Mae E. Marchant *sd* 913 N. Charles Street
- 19* J. H. Neely *sd* Oak and 26th Streets
- ~~Wm. J. Davies~~ 932 N. 10th Street, Orangeville.
- 6* Joseph Schuster *sd* 3039 E. Monument Street
- 6* Thomas G. Huth *sd* 500 N. Washington Street

Walter V. Harrison
Attorney for defendant.

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Baltimore City Court.

ROOM 226

Sept. 1925

The Sheriff will please summon the following witnesses:

Returnable on Thursday the 14th day of Sept.
1925, at 10 o'clock A. M.

GEORGE BROWN

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IN THE

To testify in

Geo. Brown

VS.

vs.

United Ry. & E. Co.
Geo. Carey

THE UNITED RAILWAYS &
ELECTRIC COMPANY OF
BALTIMORE CITY, a body
corporate.

:

BALTIMORE CITY COURT.

Mr. Clerk:-

Please summon the following witness and make the same
returnable at 10 A.M. Thursday, Sept. 17th, 1925 in the Baltimore
City Court, Judge Dawkins, Room 226 Court House.

15 Mr. Smith, Sr. D.V. Brooklyn Garage, Brooklyn, Md.

Havis Evans
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

PLAINTIFF'S ^{1st} PRAYER

The plaintiff prays the Court to instruct the Jury that all vehicles have the right of way over other vehicles approaching at intersecting roads from the left and shall give right of way to those approaching from the right.

Refused

DEFENDANT'S

PRAYER.

The Court instructs the Jury that there is no evidence in this case legally sufficient under the pleadings to entitle the plaintiff to recover and their verdict must be for the defendant.

*Refused at
close of Plaintiff's case*

DEFENDANT'S

2.

PRAYER.

The Court instructs the Jury that from the uncontradicted evidence in this case the driver of the plaintiff's automobile directly contributed to the accident complained of and therefore their verdict must be for the defendant.

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DEFENDANT'S

PRAYER.

The Court instructs the Jury that there is no evidence in this case legally sufficient under the pleadings to entitle the plaintiff to recover and their verdict must be for the defendant.

Refused

Refused
Carroll

PRAYER.

DEFENDANT'S

The court instructs the jury that there is no
evidence in this case legally sufficient under the pleadings
to require the plaintiff to recover and their verdict must be
in favor of the defendant.

Refused

*Refused
to pay*

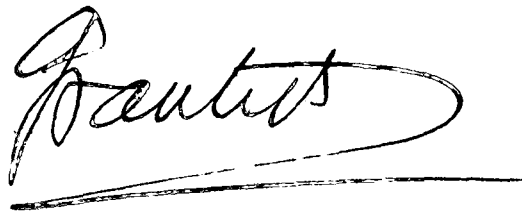
PLAINTIFF'S 3rd PRAYER

The plaintiff prays the Court to instruct the Jury that if they find from the evidence that the plaintiff's machine was damaged when in a collision with a ^{car} ~~machine~~ of the defendant's and that the said damage resulted directly from the want of ordinary care or prudence on the part of the said defendant, his agent or servant in the operation of his machine and not from the want of ordinary care or prudence on the part of the plaintiff directly contributing thereto, then the plaintiff is entitled to recover.

Revised

PLAINTIFF'S 2 PRAYER

The plaintiff prays the Court to instruct the Jury that if they find their verdict for the plaintiff, then they shall award the plaintiff as damages, such sum as they shall find from the evidence represented the cost to repair the damage to the automobile of the plaintiff caused by said accident.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bentley", is written above a horizontal line.

DEFENDANT'S

3.

PRAYER

The Court instructs the jury that if they shall find from the evidence that the accident in question could have been avoided by the exercise of ordinary care and caution on the part of the driver of the plaintiff's automobile, the plaintiff is not entitled to recover.

Presented

DEFENDANT'S *4* PRAYER.

The Court instructs the jury that their verdict should be for the defendant unless they find from the evidence that the damage to the plaintiff's automobile was caused by the want of ordinary care on the part of the motorman of the defendant's car.

Granted

DEFENDANT'S ⁵ PRAYER.

The Court instructs the jury that even if they should find that the motorman of the defendant's car was guilty of negligence, yet, if they shall further believe from the evidence that the driver of the plaintiff's automobile was also guilty of negligence and that the damage to said automobile was directly caused partly by the negligence of the motorman and partly by the negligence of the driver, then the verdict of the jury must be for the defendant without regard to whose negligence was the greater.

Granted

DEFENDANT'S 6 PRAYER.

The Court instructs the jury that even if the motorman of the car saw the auto approaching the track, if the jury so find, he had the right to assume that the chauffeur of the auto would stop in a place of safety, and would not attempt to drive across the track in close proximity to the car.

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DEFENDANT'S

7.
PRAYER.

The Court instructs the jury that it is the duty of the driver of an automobile before crossing street railway tracks to look to see if a car is approaching, and if the jury shall find from the evidence that the driver of the plaintiff's automobile did not look before crossing the tracks, and shall further find that if he had looked he could by the use of ordinary and reasonable care have prevented the accident complained of, if the jury so find, then the driver of the automobile mentioned in the evidence was guilty of negligence, and if the jury further find that his negligence directly contributed to the accident, then the verdict of the jury must be for the defendant.

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PRAYER.

DEFENDANT'S

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Frank J. ...

Robert ...

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