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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
1925 OF
BALTIMORE CITY.

ELEANORA CRAWLEY

VS.

MACK CRAWLEY

1624 N. Mount St

BILL FOR DIVORCE

Mr. Clerk:-

Please file.

Davis & Evans

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

B-28586

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

Feb 19th / Mar 1925

ELEANORA CRAWLEY

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

VS.

:

OF

MACK CRAWLEY

:

BALTIMORE CITY.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Your Oratrix complaining respectfully represents:

1. That she was married to her husband Mack Crawley on or about the 31st day of March, 1915 and with whom she resided until the 15th day of March, 1924.
2. That ever since said marriage your Oratrix has been a faithful, chaste and affectionate wife toward the said Mack Crawley.
3. That the said Mack Crawley has on divers days and times since said marriage committed the crime of adultery with divers lewd and abandoned women, whose names to your Oratrix are unknown, and said offense has not been condoned by your Oratrix.
4. That your Oratrix has not lived or co-habited with the said defendant since she discovered his said adulteries.
5. That there are two children born as issue of said marriage; Willie, age nine years and Royal, age one year and six months for whom your Oratrix asks the custody.
6. That both your Oratrix and the defendant are citizens of the State of Maryland, having resided in Baltimore City for more than three years prior to the filing of this bill.

TO THE END, THEREFORE:

- (a) That your Oratrix may be divorced A Vinculo Matrimonii from the said Mack Crawley.

(b) That she may have the custody of her two children, Willie and Royal.

(c) That she may have such other and further relief as her case may require.

May it please your Honor to grant unto your Oratrix the Writ of Subpoena directed to the said Mack Crawley commanding and requiring him to be and appear in this Court on some day certain to be named therein to answer the premises and abide by and perform such decree or order as may be passed therein.

AND as in duty bound, etc.

Davis Evans

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

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Sheriff

EQUITY SUBPOENA

The State of Maryland

To Mack Crawley

(1624 N. Mount St.)

of Baltimore City, Greeting:

WE COMMAND AND ENJOIN YOU, That all excuses set aside, you do within the time limited by law beginning on the second Monday of April next cause an appearance to be entered for you and your answer to be filed to the complaint of

Eleanor Crawley

against you exhibited in the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, HEREOF fail not, as you will answer the contrary at your peril.

WITNESS, the Honorable JAMES P. GORTER, Chief Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, the 9th day of March 1925 Issued the 19th day of March, in the year 1925

Chas. R. Whiteford Clerk

MEMORANDUM: You are required to file your answer or other defense in the Clerk's Office, room 206, in the Court House, Baltimore City, within fifteen days after return day.

(General Equity Rules 11)

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Eleanora Crawley
vs.
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IN THE
Circuit Court
OF
BALTIMORE CITY.

Mar Term, 1925

The Defendant having been duly summoned (notified by Order of Publication) to appear to the Bill of Complaint, and having failed to appear thereto, according to the exigency of the writ, (said Order).

It is thereupon this 30 day of April in the year nineteen hundred and twenty five by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, ADJUDGED, ORDERED and DECREED, that the complainant is entitled to relief in the premises, and that the bill of Complaint be and is hereby taken pro confesso against the defendant. But because it doth not certainly appear to what relief the Plaintiff is entitled, it is further *Adjudged*, and *Ordered*, that one of the Examiners of this Court, take testimony to support the allegations of the bill.

George A. Salvo

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OF BALTIMORE CITY

DEPOSITIONS

Eleanora Crawley

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Wash Crawley

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Eleanora Crawley

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In the Circuit Court

OF BALTIMORE CITY.

Dueru Pro Confesso having
 been passed in said cause
 and notice having been given me by the Solicitor for the plaintiff
 of a desire to take testimony in the same, I, A. de RUSSY SAPPINGTON, one
 of the Standing Examiners of the Circuit Courts of Baltimore City, under and by
 viture of an order of the above named Circuit Court, passed in said cause on the
 thirtieth day of April 19.22, met on
 the third day of May in the year nineteen
 hundred and twenty-two at my office, in the city of Baltimore, in the State
 of Maryland, and assigned the fourth day of May
 in the same year at one o'clock in the afternoon and the
 office of Mr. George Evans, in the City and State
 aforesaid, as the time and place for such examination of witnesses in said cause;
 at which last mentioned time and place I attended, due notice of such meeting
 having been given, and proceeded in the presence of the Solicitor of the
 plaintiff to take the following depositions, that
 is to say:—

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ELEANORA CRAWLEY)
	(
VS)
	(
MACK CRAWLEY.)

Baltimore, Md. May 4, 1924.

Testimony taken before me, A. deRussy Sappington, Examiner, at the offices of Mr. George Evans, St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland, on May 4th, 1925, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Thereupon---

ELEANORA CRAWLEY,

the plaintiff, of lawful age, produced on her own behalf, having been first duly sworn according to law, was examined and testified as follows:

1Q (By the Examiner): Please state your name, residence and occupation?

A Eleanorà Crawley, 405 Fremont Avenue, days work.

2Q Do you know the parties to this suit or either of them?

A Yes, I am the plaintiff, and my husband

is the defendant.

3Q (By Mr. Evans): When were you married?

A 1915, March 31st.

4Q By a minister of the Gospel?

A Yes, sir.

5Q Where?

A Baptist Minister, in Virginia.

6Q Did you leave your husband or did he leave you?

A I left him.

7Q Why?

A For unsupport was one of the main causes. He run around and didn't work.

8Q You have charged your husband with the crime of adultery. Do you know anything about that personally?

A Yes.

9Q Now, do you know anything about any crimes before your separation?

A No more than he run around a lot. Another girl was responsible for my leaving.

10Q Now what do you know, if anything, about the adultery?

A He lived at 2223 Eddings Street since the separation, and I saw him go in this house with this girl.

11Q With what girl?

A A girl he has been going with all the time.

12Q The girl that caused the separation?

A Yes, sir.

13Q He went in the house with her?

A Yes, and they went upstairs to his bedroom.

14Q Where is his bedroom?

A On the second floor, front room. I come in behind them and I asked the lady where was he, and she said in his bedroom.

15Q With whom?

A I stayed in the house. He with with a lady up there. They didn't come down, and I come out and I watched them at least one-half hour, and then they come out again together. Then I didn't watch them no longer, but I know they were in this bedroom, because that is where they went.

16Q Did you see anything while you were on the street watching the room?

A No more than they had a real low light on.

17Q Shades down?

A Yes.

18Q Is this the bedroom?

A Yes.

19Q How do you know that?

A I have seen the bedroom myself.

20Q Is there a parlor in which he might entertain if he wanted to?

A Oh, yes, parlor, kitchen, dining room.

21Q Where is the lady that kept the house?

A She is dead, she was an old lady.

22Q Have you talked to him about that?

A No, I have not had any talk with him.

23Q Did you talk about that girl to him since he left you?

A Yes, and he always put it off, and said he would do to suit himself.

24Q Did you ever accuse him of running with her?

A Yes, sir.

25Q Did he deny it?

A He just said he would do to suit himself.

26Q Now, any other occasions in which you have seen him with the woman?

A Yes; house on Raborg Street.

27Q Before the separation?

A No, both since the separation.

28Q Tells us about what you saw in Raborg Street?

A He went in this house on Raborg Street -- a dissipated house in the 800 block, 848 Raborg Street.

29Q Day or night?

A Night.

30Q You saw him go in there?

A Yes.

31Q How did you happen to be around there?

A I was just coming down Fremont Avenue, and saw them and watched them.

32Q Where did you see them go?

A In this house on Raborg Street.

33Q Anyone with you?

A This girl (indicating) Gladys.

34Q What time in the night was it?

A Around eight o'clock.

35Q Did you ^{stay} ~~sit~~ around and watch?

A Yes, they come out around 12 o'clock.

36Q Where did you stay?

A At a girl friend's house across the street; a friend of Gladys'.

37Q Do you know what happened in this house?

A It was a dissipated house.

38Q You saw , you say you saw him go in there and watched?

A Yes, and he come out around 12 o'clock.

39Q With whom?

A They came together.

40Q Who are "they"?

A This girl.

41Q Do you know the girl?

A When I see her---the same girl he was at Eddings Street with.

42Q Where did he live, at this house?

A No.

43Q Did she live at this house?

A No.

44Q It was a dissipated house?

A Yes.

45Q Now, have you lived or cohabited with your husband since the adultery, or the separation?

A No.

46Q Any children as a result of your marriage?

A Two.

47Q What are their names?

A Willie Lee, age 9, and Royal, age one and one-half years.

48Q Have you talked to him about this alleged adultery in Raborg Street?

A No, sir.

49Q Are you a citizen of the State of Maryland-- how long have you been in Maryland?

A Around six years.

50Q You are a citizen then?

A Yes.

51Q And your husband is a resident of the City of Baltimore, State of Maryland?

A Yes, longer than I.

52Q And you and your husband have been residents of the City of Baltimore State of Maryland for more than two years prior to the filing of this bill?

A Yes.

53Q State whether or not you were always a good, affectionate and faithful wife?

A Yes, sir.

54Q You always prepared his meals, and gave him no cause to leave or to run around?

A No, sir.

55Q Do you desire the custody of the two children?

A Yes, I want to keep them.

56Q Are you able to keep them?

A Yes, sir, I am.

GENERAL QUESTION

Do you know or can you state any other matter or thing that may be to the benefit or advantage of the parties to this suit, or either of them, or that may be material to the subject of this, your examination, or the matters in question between the parties? If so, state the same fully and at large in your answer.

A.---

No

Elnora Crawley.

Thereupon---

GLADYS DUNCAN,

a witness of lawful age, produced on behalf of the plaintiff, having been first duly sworn according to law, was examined and testified as follows:

1Q (By the Examiner): Please state your name, residence and occupation?

A Gladys Duncan, 832 North Stricker Street; days work.

2Q Do you know the parties to this suit or either of them?

A Yes, sir.

1Q (By Mr. Evans): Mrs. Crawley has charged her husband with the crime of adultery, Mrs. Duncan; what do you know about that, if anything?

A Well, only coming down Fremont Avenue one night, and I told her I seen her husband coming up Fremont Avenue and go in 848 Raborg Street.

2Q With anyone?

A Yes, with this girl.

3Q Do you know that girl if you see her?

A Yes. They went in 848 Raborg Street.

4Q Was this before or after the separation?

A After.

5Q How long did they stay in there?

A Until 12 o'clock.

6Q Did you watch them?

A Yes, I did.

7Q How did you happen to trail them into Raborg Street?

A I saw them coming up Fremont Avenue.

8Q And then you went across the street and asked the lady to let you watch?

A Yes.

9Q Did you watch that house?

A Yes, and they stayed in until 12, from 8 o'clock to 12.

10Q Was this girl with him when they went in?

A Yes, sir.

11Q And when he came out?

A Yes, she was.

12Q What is the reputation of that house?

A A dissipated house.

13Q Do you know how Mrs. Crawley treated her husband during her marriage?

A Fine.

14Q How did he treat her?

A Cruelly.

15Q Did you ever hear them quarrel about this girl he ran with?

A Yes.

16Q What did he say about it?

A Called Mrs. Crawley all kinds of names and said he was going to continue to run with the girl.

17Q She always treated him as a loving, kind, and affectionate wife?

A Yes, sir.

18Q Did she give him any cause for his acts?

A No, sir.

19Q Any children as a result of their marriage?

A Two children.

20Q Do you know whether she has lived or cohabited with him since the alleged adultery?

A No, she has not.

21Q Has she been a resident of the State of

Maryland, City of Baltimore for more than two years prior to the filing of this bill?

A Yes, sir.

22Q You are positive of the fact that you saw him go in Raborg Street?

A Yes, I am.

23Q 848 Raborg Street?

A Yes, sir.

24Q Does he live there?

A No, sir.

25Q Did the girl live there?

A No, sir, he lived on Eddings Street.

26Q Do you know where Mr. Crawley is now?

A No, sir.

27Q Have you talked to him about this alleged adultery?

A No, sir, I have not seen him.

28Q But you are positive he was in Raborg Street and stayed in there from 8 until 12 o'clock on this occasion?

A Yes, sir.

29Q And that it was a house of ill repute that he was in?

A Yes, sir.

30Q Do you think Mrs. Crawley is a fit and proper person to have the care and custody of the children?

A Yes, I do.

31Q Do you think she can take care of them?

A Yes, sir, she has been doing so.

32Q Do you think the husband is a proper person to have the custody of the children?

A No, he is not worthy.

GENERAL QUESTION

Do you know or can you state any other matter or thing that may be to the benefit or advantage of the parties to this suit, or either of them, or that may be material to the subject of this, your examination, or the matters in question between the parties? If so, state the same fully and at large in your answer.

A.---

No

Gladys A. Benson

No other witnesses being named or produced before me, I then, at the request of the Solicitor.....of the.....*pl. airtiff*..... closed the depositions taken in said cause and now return them closed under my hand and seal, on this.....*13th*..... day of *June*..... in the year of Our Lord nineteen hundred and.....*twenty-five*..... at the City of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland.

A. de Russy Sappington (SEAL).
Examiner.

There are.....*no*..... Exhibits with these depositions, to wit:
Plaintiff's..... Exhibit/.....

Defendant's..... Exhibit *7*.....

A. de Russy Sappington
Examiner.

I, A. de RUSSY SAPPINGTON, the Examiner before whom the foregoing depositions were taken, do hereby certify that I was employed in assigning a day, and taking the said depositions upon.....*two*..... days, on.....*both*..... of which I was employed by the Plaintiff....., and on.....*none*..... by the Defendant.....

A. de Russy Sappington
Examiner.

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Eleanora Crawley

vs.

Mack Crawley

IN THE
Circuit Court

OF
BALTIMORE CITY

May

Term, 1925

This case being submitted, without argument, it is ordered by the Court, this 13th day of June, 1925, that the same be and it is hereby referred to W^m P. Lyons, Esq., Auditor and Master, to report the pleadings and the facts, and his opinion thereon.

George A. Salter

Report of Auditor and Master

Bill for divorce a vinculo matrimonii filed by the wife against her husband on the ground of adultery. Article 16, Sections 36-41.

Defendant summoned and fails to answer.

Decree pro confesso was passed against the defendant and more than thirty days have since elapsed.

Plaintiff's residence in Baltimore City for more than two years prior to the filing of the bill proven.

The marriage proven. Adultery proven.

Case made for awarding to the plaintiff the guardianship and custody of the two minor children of the parties and charging the defendant with their maintenance and support.

Case ready for decree.

William P. Lyons

Auditor and Master

June 24, 1925

CIRCUIT COURT

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ELEANORA CRAWLEY

VS.

MACK CRAWLEY

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Decree of Divorce

B No. 28586

Filed 25th June 1925

The within is a proper decree to be passed in this case.

William P. Lyons
Auditor and Master.

Decree of Divorce

IN THE

Circuit Court

OF

BALTIMORE CITY

.....ELEANORA CRAWLEY.....

VS.

.....MACK CRAWLEY.....

.....May Term, 1925.....

This cause standing ready for hearing and being duly submitted, the proceedings were by the Court read and considered

It is thereupon, this *Twenty-fifth* day of June, - - - - -, A. D. 1925, by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, Adjudged, Ordered and Decreed, that the said

.....ELEANORA CRAWLEY,
the above named Complainant be and s he is hereby DIVORCED A VINCULO MATRIMONII from the Defendant,MACK CRAWLEY;.....

AND it is further ordered that the guardianship and custody of Willie and Royal Crawley, minor children of the parties, be and they are hereby awarded to the Complainant, Eleanora Crawley, and the Defendant, Mack Crawley, is hereby charged with their maintenance and support - all subject to the further order of this Court.

And it is further Ordered, That the said Defendant
pay the cost of this proceeding.

George A. Baltus