

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

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BALTIMORE CITY

1923
FLORA V. STATEN

VS.

ELIJAH STATEN

BILL FOR DIVORCE

Mr. Clerk:-

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J. Steward Davis
ATTORNEY FOR COMPLAINANT

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DAVIS & BISHOP
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
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14 E. BALTIMORE STREET
BALTIMORE, MD.
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FLORA V. STATEN : IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
VS. : OF
ELIJAH STATEN : BALTIMORE CITY.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Your Oratrix complaining respectfully says:-

(1) That she was married to her husband, Elijah Staten, on or about the 29th day of September, 1909, and with whom she resided until about the 28th day of March, 1918, when the defendant deserted the plaintiff.

(2) That ever since said marriage your Oratrix has behaved herself as a faithful, chaste and affectionate wife toward the said Elijah Staten.

(3) That the said Elijah Staten 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 there is one child, Levi, age twelve years, born as result of said marriage for whom the plaintiff desires the custody.

(5) That your Oratrix is a citizen of the State of Maryland residing in Baltimore City for more than three years prior to the filing of this bill of complaint, but that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Maryland.

TO THE END, THEREFORE:

(a) That your Oratrix may be divorced a Vinculo Matrimonii from the said Elijah Staten.

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

(c) That she may resume her maiden name (Morris).

May it please your Honor to grant unto your Oratrix the Order of Publication directed against the said Elijah Staten, a non-resident of the State of Maryland, aforesaid, 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.

J. Steward Davis
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANT.

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J. STEWARD DAVIS, SOLICITOR

215 ST. PAUL PLACE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY

FLORA V. STATEN VS. ELIJAH STATEN

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to procure a divorce a Vinculo Matrimonii by the plaintiff, Flora V. Staten, from the defendant, Elijah Staten.

The bill of complaint recites that the parties were married on or about the 29th day of September, 1909, and that they resided together until about the 28th day of February, 1918. That the complainant has been a resident of the State of Maryland for more than three years prior to the filing of this bill; that there is one child born as result of said marriage, Levi, age twelve years, for whom the plaintiff asks custody. That the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Maryland and his present address is unknown to your petitioner.

That the defendant, Elijah Staten, has committed the crime of adultery with divers, lewd and abandoned women, whose names are unknown to your petitioner at this time; that she has not lived nor cohabited with the said defendant since her discovery of his said adulteries, nor has condoned the same; and that her conduct towards her said husband has always been that of a kind, faithful and affectionate wife.

It is thereupon this 8th day of June 1923, ordered by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, that the plaintiff by causing a copy of this order to be published in Baltimore City once in each of four successive weeks, before the 9th day of July 1923, give notice to the absent defendant, Elijah Staten, of the object and substance of this bill, warning him to be and appear in this Court in person or by Solicitor on or before the 25th day of July 1923 to show cause, if any he may have, why a decree should not be passed as prayed.

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J. Steward Davis, Solicitor,
215 St. Paul Place.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY—(B-363-1923)—Flora V. Staten vs. Elijah Staten.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

The object of this suit is to procure a divorce a vinculo matrimonii by the plaintiff, Flora V. Staten, from the defendant, Elijah Staten.

The bill of complaint recites that the parties were married on or about the 29th day of September, 1909, and that they resided together until about the 28th day of February, 1918; that the complainant has been a resident of the State of Maryland for more than three years prior to the filing of this bill; that there is one child born as result of said marriage, Levi, aged 12 years, for whom the plaintiff asks custody; that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Maryland and his present address is unknown to your petitioner; that the defendant, Elijah Staten, has committed the crime of adultery with divers lewd and abandoned women, whose names are unknown to your petitioner at this time; that she has not lived nor cohabited with the said defendant since her discovery of his said adulteries, nor has condoned the same, and that her conduct toward her said husband has always been that of a kind, faithful and affectionate wife.

It is thereupon, this 8th day of June, 1923, ordered, by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, that the plaintiff, by causing a copy of this order to be published in Baltimore City once in each of four successive weeks, before the 9th day of July, 1923, give notice to the absent defendant, Elijah Staten, of the object and substance of this bill, warning him to be and appear in this Court, in person or by solicitor, on or before the 25th day of July, 1923, to show cause, if any he may have, why a decree should not be passed as prayed.

HENRY DUFFY.

True Copy—Test:

CHAS. R. WHITEFORD,
Clerk.

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Flora V. Staten

vs.

Elijah Staten

IN THE
Circuit Court
OF
BALTIMORE CITY.

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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 *2* day of *Feb* 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. Salkin

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vs.

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Order of Reference
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Flora V. Staten

vs.

Elijah Staten

IN THE
Circuit Court

OF
BALTIMORE CITY

Jan

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This case being submitted, without argument, it is ordered by the Court, this 9
day of March, 1925, that the same be and it is hereby referred to
William P. Lyons, Esq., Auditor and Master, to report the
pleadings and the facts, and his opinion thereon.

George A. Saltus

Report of Auditor and Master

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
1923 BALTIMORE CITY.

FLORA V. STATEN

VS.

ELIJAH STATEN

amended
BILL FOR DIVORCE
and order of court

Mr. Clerk:-

Please file.

Davis & Evans
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF.

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DAVIS & EVANS,

~~J. STEWART EVANS~~

ATTORNEY AT LAW

215 SAINT PAUL PLACE

BALTIMORE, MD.

Filed 7th April 1925

BAUMGARTEN & CO., INC.

FLORA V. STATEN

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

VS.

:

OF

ELIJAH STATEN

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BALTIMORE CITY.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Your Oratrix says:

That on or about the 7th day of June, 1923 she filed a bill in this Honorable Court for a divorce a vinculo matrimonii. Your petitioner says that she desires to amend the said bill and prays leave of Court to do so; that is, that the bill may read as follows:

(1)

That she was married to her husband, Elijah Staten, on or about the 29th day of September, 1909 and with whom she resided until about the 28th day of March, 1918 when the defendant deserted the plaintiff.

(2)

That ever since said marriage your Oratrix has behaved herself as a faithful, chaste and affectionate wife toward the said Elijah Staten.

(3)

That though the conduct of your Oratrix toward the said defendant has always been kind, affectionate and above reproach, he has, without any just cause or reason, abandoned and deserted her and has declared his intentions to live with her no longer and that such abandonment has continued uninterruptedly for more than three years and is deliberate and final and the separation of the parties is beyond any reasonable expectation of reconciliation.

(4)

That there is one child, Levi, age thirteen years, born as issue of said marriage for whom the plaintiff desires the custody.

(5)

That your Oratrix is a citizen of the State of Maryland residing in Baltimore City for more than three years prior to the filing of this Bill of Complaint, but that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Maryland.

TOT THE END, THEREFORE:

(a) That your Oratrix may be divorced A Vinculo Matrimonii from the said Elijah Staten.

(b)m That she may resume her maiden name (MORRIS).

(c) That she may have the custody of her son, Levi.

(d) 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 Order of Publication directed against the said Elijah Staten a non-resident of the State of Maryland, aforesaid, commanding 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.


SOLICITORS FOR COMPLAINANT.

Ordered by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City this
2 day of *Apr* 1925 that the Bill be and is hereby amended
as paryed.

George F. Salton

DAVIS & EVANS, SOLICITORS

215 ST. PAUL PLACE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALTIMORE CITY.

FLORA V. STATEN VS. ELIJAH STATEN

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

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The object of this Bill is to procure a divorce a Vinculo Matrimonii by the plaintiff from the defendant.

The Bill states that the parties were married on or about the 29th day of September, 1909, and that they lived together until about the 28th day of March, 1918 when the defendant deserted the plaintiff. That there is one child, Levi, born as issue of said marriage. That the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Maryland and that he deserted his wife without any just cause or reason and has declared his intentions to live with her no longer; that said abandonment has continued uninterruptedly for more than three years and is deliberate and final and the separation of the parties is beyond any reasonable hope of reconciliation.. That the plaintiff has been a citizen of the State of Maryland for more than three years prior to the filing of this bill.

It is thereupon this *11* day of *May* 1925, ordered by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City that the plaintiff by causing a copy of this order to be published once in each of four successive weeks before the *11th* day of *June* 1925, give notice to the absent defendant of the object and substance of this Bill, warning him to be and appear in this Court in person or by solicitor on or before the *27* day of *June* 1925 to show cause, if any she may have, why a decree should not be passed as prayed.

George A. Talbot

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Clark R. Whiteford CR

may 12, 1926 JCR