1895-014
Nansemond Co. (Suffolk) Chancery Causes: Fletcher Haslett vs Eliza Haslett

Goodman, Whidbee, Pratt

Costs

Clerk	3.98
Shff	50
Atty	15.00
Tax	1.50
	$20.98

Casts

To the Clerk of the ~~County Court of Randolph County~~ Circuit Court of Randolph County.

Case No.

Aldchus Hallett } Plff
vs. } In Chancery.
Eliza Hallett } Dft.

Issue Summons to first March Rules ____ 1895.

Fee $1.50 paid.

July 18th 1895.

Hasbell
vs
Hasbell

Memorandum

CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia.

TO THE ~~SHERIFF~~ Sheriff OF ~~NANSEMOND COUNTY~~ Norfolk County — GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON Eliza Haslett.

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, at the Rules to be held for the said Court, on the Third Monday in March 1895, to answer a Bill in Chancery, exhibited against Self in the said Court by Fletcher Haslett

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this 18th day of February 1895, in the 119th year of the Commonwealth.

Teste:

A. P. Gomer Clerk.

W H Arrington p q.

Fletcher Haslett
Vs In Chancery
Eliza Haslett

1895
March Rules
1st Monday

Not finding Eliza Haslett at her usual place of abode and her husband not being there, I serve a copy of this within summons upon Ada Turner a member of her family over the age of sixteen years & explained the purport thereof to her. Given under my hand this 8th day of March 1895.

A C Trammell
Nansemond Sh'ff

Circuit Court
Process Book
No 2 Page 110.

The depositions of Willie Pratt and others taken before me R.H. Rawles a Notary Public for the County of Nansemond in the State of Virginia pursuant to notice hereto annexed at the office of R.H. Rawles in Suffolk Va. on the 18th day of March 1895 between the hours of ten A.M. and six P.M. of that day to be read as evidence on behalf of Fletcher Hostett in a certain suit in equity depending in the Circuit Court of Nansemond County wherein said Fletcher Hostett is plaintiff and Eliza Hostett is defendant.

Present:-

W.H. Drewington Counsel for plaintiff.

Defendant not represented.

Willie Pratt being duly sworn deposeth and saith as follows:-

1st Q. What is your name age residence occupation and do you know the parties to this suit?

Ans. Willie Pratt, age 26, Nansemond County, Laborer, and I know the parties to this suit.

2nd Q. How long did the plaintiff and defendant live together after marriage?

Ans. Just a little over twelve months.

3rd Q. Where is Eliza Haskell now?

Ans. I do not know, was at Berkley Va. some time since.

4th Q. How long since she left and deserted her said husband?

Ans. Over three years.

5th Q. Has she lived with, or visited him since that time?

Ans. She has not.

6th Q. When has Fletcher Haskell resided since his wife Eliza left him?

Ans. At Wholeyville in this County when I reside.

7th Q. What are your opportunities for knowing the above facts?

Ans. They lived only about three hundred yards from me at Wholeyville when they lived together, I see them daily, I know when she left him over three years ago and I know she has not since returned to cohabit with him: in fact she has not been back at all. I would certainly have seen her if she had come back. Fletcher Haskell and I work together for the Jackson Lumber Co. And further this de-

saith not.

Willie Pratt

Ellen Whidbee being duly sworn deposes and saith to follows:-

1 Q. What is your name age residence occupation and do you know the parties to this suit?

Ans. Ellen Whidbee, age, 34, Suffolk Va, housekeeper, I know the parties to this suit.

2 Q. How long have you known the plaintiff and defendant?

Ans. I have known them both all their lives.

3 Q. When did they marry?

Ans. I think in the year 1890.

4 Q. How long did they live together as man & wife?

Ans. About 12 Months.

5 Q. Where is Edyia Hobbs now?

Ans. I think she is in Berkley Va.

6 Q. Is she now living with her husband?

Ans. She is not.

7th Q. How long has it been since she left him?

Ans. Since 1891 in the early part of that year. She has been away from him more than three years, nor has she returned to his home or visited him during that time.

8th Q. When has the plaintiff resided since his said wife left him?

Ans. At Whaleyville Va.

9th Q. What are your opportunities for knowing this?

Ans. I am his aunt. I visit his house at Whaleyville frequently and I have never seen her there since she went away in 1891.

And further this deponent saith not.

Ellen A Rhodes

Virginia:—
Nansemond County to wit:—

I R. H. Rawles a notary public for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that the foregoing depositions were duly taken, sworn to, and subscribed before me at the time and place mentioned therein. Given under my hand this 18th day of March 1895—

R. H. Rawles N.P.

Depositions.
V Faslett.
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V Faslett.

Filed March 18th 1895

To Eliza Haskett:

Take notice that I shall on Monday the 18th day of March 1895 at the office of R H R Rawles in the town of Suffolk County of Nansemond State of Virginia between the hours of 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. of that day proceed to take the depositions of Willie Pratt and others to be read as evidence in my behalf in a certain suit in equity depending in the Circuit Court for Nansemond County wherein I am plaintiff and you defendant.

And if from any cause the taking of said depositions be not commenced on that day or if commenced be not concluded on that day the taking of same will be adjourned and continued from day to day, or from time to time at the same place and between the same hours until the same shall be completed.

Respectfully

W. A. Arrington Atty. Fletcher Haskett.

Berkley, Va. feb the 22. 1875

I hereby accept service of summons

Elijah Hazlett

Witness.

W. H. Arrington.

Notice.

Fletcher Vaslett, Complainant,
vs.
Eliza Vaslett, Defendant.

This cause, in which the Plaintiff appears to have proceeded against the Defendant, in the mode prescribed by law, against Eliza Vaslett, who has failed to appear and answer, came on this day to be heard on the bill, the Exhibits filed and the examination of witnesses and was argued by the Counsel for the Plaintiff. On consideration whereof, the Court being of opinion that the charge of wilful desertion and abandonment against the defendant is fully proved doth adjudge, order and decree that the marriage heretofore solemnized between Fletcher Vaslett and Eliza Vaslett be and the same is hereby dissolved, the said Fletcher Vaslett forever divorced from his wife the said Eliza Vaslett and all the right, title and interest of the said Eliza Vaslett in or to any estate of the said Fletcher Vaslett shall henceforth cease and determine.

And nothing further remaining to be done in this suit, it is ordered that the same be removed from the Docket.

Decree

Hazlett
vs
Hazlett

Entered April 9, 1895
Robert C. Lewis

Entered in Chancery
Order Book No. 2.
Page 623.

Number 512,--MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE FOR THE USE OF MINISTERS OR J. P's.--Loose, 45 cts. per 100. Put up in pads, 60 cts. per 100 -Cash with order.--Printed and for sale at Harrell's Printing House, Weldon, N. C.--6-22-'93-5000.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Gates COUNTY.

Office REGISTER OF DEEDS.

April 30 1890

To any Ordained Minister of any Religious Denomination, or any Justice of the Peace of said County

[1] Richd Williams having applied to me for a LICENSE for the Marriage of [2] Fletcher Haslett of [3] Gates County N. C. age [4] 20 years, color [5] Col'd, the son of [6] unknown and [7] Priscilla Whidbee the father now [8] ——, the mother [9] living resident of [10] Gates Co. N. C., and [11] Eliza Goodman of [12] Gates Co. N. C. age [13] 18, years, color [14] Col'd daughter of [15] unknown and [16] Ellen Goodman the father [17] ——, the mother [18] living, resident of [19] Gates County N. C.

~~And the written consent of ——— the ——— of the said ——— to the proposed marriage having been filed with me.~~

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized at any time within one year from the date hereof, to celebrate the proposed marriage at any place within the said County.

You are required, within two months after you shall have celebrated such marriage, to return this License to me, at my office, with your signature subscribed to the certificate under this License and with blanks therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting two hundred dollars to the use of any person who shall sue for the same.

(Signed) James T. Walton

Register of Deeds.

1 Name of person applying for license.
2 Name of man to be married, in full.
3 Residence.
4 Age.
5 White or colored.
6 Father of man to be married.
7 Mother of man to be married.
8 Living or dead.
9 Living or dead.
10 Residence if known, if not, state unknown.
11 Name of woman to be married, in full
12 Residence.
13 Age.
14 White or colored.
15 Father's name.
16 Mother's name.
17 Living or dead.
18 Living or dead.
19 Residence, if known, if not, state unknown.
* If both parties are over 18 years of age, strike out.

Richard Williams being duly sworn, says: That the parties applying for License are of Lawful age, and as far as he is informed and believes there is no lawful cause or impediment forbidding said marriage.

(Signed) Richard his X mark Williams

WITNESS (Signed) T. J. Hayes

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Gates County.

I, [1] Alfred Saunders, a [2] Bapt. Minister united in matrimony [3] F. Haslett and [4] Eliza Goodman the parties licensed above, on the 1st day of May 1890, at [5] Ellen Goodman's in [6] ——— Township, in said County, according to law?

* WITNESSES PRESENT AT MARRIAGE: (Signed) Rev. A. Saunders

Richard Williams of Gates

Richard Goodman of "

Mary Riddick of "

1 Name of person officiating. 2 If Minister, of what denomination. If Justice of the Peace, so state. 3 Name of man married. 4 Name of woman married. 5 Place of marriage. 6 Township. *At least three persons present at marriage must sign as witnesses.

No _____

Fletcher Haslett

and

Eliza Goodnuss

Returned on the 2 day of

January 1870, and registered in New Marriage Register, on page _____, this same day.

18 _____

(Signed) J. T. Walton

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

North Carolina } Office of Register of Deeds.
Gates County }

I, Lycurgus Hofler,
Register of Deeds for the County
of Gates in the State of North
Carolina, do hereby certify that
the foregoing is a true and ex-
act copy of the License issued
in this County for the marriage
of Fletcher Haslett and Eliza
Goodman; and I further cer-
tify that the certificate of marriage
thereto attached is a true and ex-
act copy of the original cer-
tificate of Alfred Saunders -
And I further certify that the
original License and Certificate
of marriage are on file
in this office and duly recorded
on the "Marriage Register" of this
County.

Witness my hand
and official Seal - This the
19 day of January 1895

Lycurgus Hofler
Register of Deeds
as aforesaid.

Exhibit A.

Fletcher Haslett
Eliza Haslett } In Chancery.

To the Hon. R.R. Prentis, Judge of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County Virginia. Humbly complaining sheweth unto your honor, Fletcher Haslett, the above named Complainant, as follows: Viz;
On the first day of May, in the year One thousand eight hundred and Ninety, the said Complainant was married to the said Defendant, Eliza Haslett in Gates County, North Carolina and from that time to the present he has always conducted himself faithful and upright, ever mindful of his marital obligations to the said Defendant. A copy of the marriage license and of the certificate, Exhibit A. of the officiating minister is herewith filed as part of this bill.
During the month of July in the year Eighteen hundred and Ninety-one while living in Whaleyville, Virginia, at which place your said Complainant and the said Defendant last cohabited, the said Defendant, without any just

cause wilfully deserted and abandoned the said Complainant and since has had nothing to do with, nor contributed at all to the comfort of your said Complainant; that the said Complainant is a resident of Nansemond County, Va. and has been for more than three years last past; that yours said Complainant, in consideration of the continued wilful desertion and abandonment for three years, desires a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Intended consideration, whereof, for as much as your said Complainant is without remedy in the premises save in a Court of Equity where matters of the like are properly cognizable and relievable, to the end thereof; your said Complainant prays— that the said Eliza Haslett may be made a party Defendant to this bill and required to make true, perfect and distinct answers to all and singular the allegations therein contained; that your honor may decree that the bonds of matrimony heretofore solemnized

and now existing between the said Complainant and said Defendant be dissolved and that the said Complainant may have such other, futher and general relief as the circumstance of the case may require:

Fletcher Hazlett.

W. H. Arrington
Atty.

May summons issue.

Virginia Nansemond County: to wit:-

I R. A. Rawles a Notary Public for the county aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Fletcher Hazlett the complainant in the above bill hath this day appeared before me in my county aforesaid and made oath that the statements contained in the said bill are true so far as coming within his own knowledge, and those derived from the knowledge or information of others he believes to be true. Given under my hand this 18th day March 1895

R. A. Rawles N. P.

Haslett
vs.
Haslett

Bill

Fletcher Haslett
Against } In Chancery
Eliza Haslett.

1845. February 18th. Process issued returnable to March Rules third Monday.

" March 18th Process returned executed on defendant.
Bill filed and decree nisi against said defendant.

" April 1. Decree nisi Confirmed and Cause set for hearing

Chancery Notes