JIMMIE STEPHENSON VS.

MARGIE STEPHENSON

Plaintiff's Original Petition:

H.A.C. Brummett Attorney for Plaintiff.

on the 26 day of July 1940.

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Clerk, District Court, Dickey County. Texas

Jimmie Stephenson

In the District Court of Dickers

VS.

County, Texas.

Margie Stephenson

August Term, A. D. 1940.

To the Honorable Alton B. Charman, Judge of said Court:

- 1. Now comes Jimmie Stephenson, who resides in Dickens County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Margie Stephenson, who resides in the county of Terry, State of Texas, hereinafter styled defendant; and for cause of action, plaintiff represents to the court that he is now, and has been for a period of twelve months, an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in the said county of Dickens for six months next preceding the filing of this suit.
- 2. That on or about the 25th day of April, A.D. 1940, plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married at Paducah, in Cottle County, in the State of Texas, and continued to live with her as her husband until on or about the 1st. day of July, A.D. 1940, when by reason of the ankind, harsh and tyrannical treatment of plaintiff by defendant, he was forced and compelled to permanently separate from her, and since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife, but that such marriage relation still exists.
- 3. Flaintiff alleges that during the time he and defendant live together, as aforesaid, he was kind and affectionate to her and always provided for her support and maintenance, but defendant, unmindful of the duties and obligations of her marital vows, immediately after said marriage, begin a course of unkind, harsh, cruel and tyrannical treatment towards plaintiff, which continued until plaintiff was forced and compelled to abandon defendant as aforesaid; That on divers occassions, while plaintiff lived with defendant, as aforesaid, she was guilty of excesses cruel treatment, and outrages toward him, and of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable.

4. That Plaintiff and defendant have no children under the age of sixteen years by reason of such marriage relation.

5. That defendant was a single woman prior to the time of said marriage relation, and that plaintiff consents to have her maiden name, Margie Ratherford, restored to her.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited for the time and in the manner required by law to appear and answer herein, and that he have judgment for divorce, and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity, as on the trial he may show hims helf justly entitled to have and receive, etc.

> H.A.C. Brummett Attorney for Plaintiff.

Flaintiff's Original

Attorney for plaintiff. H.A.C. Brummett

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JIMVIE STEPHENSON IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DICKENS COUNTY,

VS. TEXAS.

MARGIE STEPHENSON. | AUGUST TERM, A.D. 1940.

On this the 26th day of August, A.D. 1940, came on to be heard the above entitled and numbered cause, when the plaintiff appeared in person and attorney, and the defendant, although having been duly and legally cited for the time and in the manner required by law, came not, but wholly made default; whereupon plaintiff announced ready for trial, and a jury having been waived, all matters herein were submitted to the co urt, all mattersof fact as well as of law, and the court having heard the pleadings and the evidence, and being fully advised in the premised, is of the opinion that the material allegations in plaintiff's petition are true, and that plaintiff should be divorced from defendant:

that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between plaintiff, Jimmie Stephenson, and defendant, Margie Stephenson, should be, and are hereby in all things forever dissolved and held for naught, and that the said plaintiff be and is hereby divorced from the said defendant. It is further ordered by the court that the said defendant, Margie Stephenson, be restored to her maiden name, viz., MARGIE RUTHERFORD. It appearing that all costs herein have been fully paid by the plaintiff, the clerk is ordered to record this judgment on the minutes of this court.

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