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JAMES HOUSTON McDOUGAL)
V. No. 32229 (IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF
MAY BLANCHE JONES McDOUGAL) DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
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This cause came on to be heard on this 13th day of April, 1959, before the Honorable Benson Trimble, Judge of the Fourth Circuit Court of Davidson County, Tennessee, upon the original bill of the complainant, the answer and cross-bill of the defendant and cross-complainant, the answer thereto of the cross-defendant, witnesses heard in open court and statement of counsel. From the entire record in this cause the Court is of the opinion that the allegations contained in the original bill filed by the original complainant have not been sustained by the proof and that the allegations of the cross-bill of cross-complainant have been fully sustained by the proof, that is, that the cross-defendant James Houston McDougal has been guilty of such cruel and inhuman treatment and conduct towards cross-complainant as renders further cohabitations unsafe and improper for her to remain under his dominion and control;

It is, therefore, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the bonds of matrimony heretofore subsisting between May Blanche Jones McDougal and James Houston McDougal be and the same are hereby forever and perpetually dissolved; the cross-complainant is granted an absolute divorce from the cross-defendant and she is restored to all the rights and privileges of an unmarried person; the original bill filed by the complainant James Houston McDougal be and the same is hereby dismissed.

It further appearing to this Court that unto this union five children have been born, three of whom are now minors, James McDougal, Judy McDougal and Wayne McDougal, and it is to the best interest of the children for Judy McDougal and Wayne McDougal to remain and be in the custody of May Blanche Jones McDougal and for James McDougal to remain and be in the custody of James Houston McDougal;

It is FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the care, custody and control of the two minor children, Judy McDougal and Wayne McDougal, be and the same are hereby committed to the cross-complainant May Blanche Jones McDougal with the right reserved to the cross-defendant James Houston McDougal to see and visit said minor children at reasonable times and places. The cross-defendant, for support and maintenance of said children, will pay into the office of the Circuit Court Clerk the sum of $25.00 per week, said payments beginning on Monday, April 20, 1959, and continuing each week thereafter until further orders of this Court and that the care, custody and control of the minor child, James McDougal, be and the same is committed to the cross-defendant, James Houston McDougal, with the right reserved to the cross-complainant to visit the said minor child at reasonable times and places.

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