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IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT FOR
DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

VIRGINIA FITCH BARKSDALE *
Complainant *
VS. * NO. 64244
VERNON D. BARKSDALE *
Defendant *

FINAL DECREE OF ABSOLUTE DIVORCE

This cause came on to be heard on the 20th day of June, 1972, before the Honorable Benson Trimble, Judge of the Fourth Circuit Court of Davidson County, Tennessee, upon the Bill for Absolute Divorce filed by the Complainant, personal service of process upon the Defendant, the Defendant's waiver of all his rights under the Solier's and Sailor's Civil Relief Act of 1940, as amended, a pro confesso having been taken against the Defendant, the testimony of the Complainant and her attesting witness in open Court, depositions upon interrogatories filed on behalf of Complainant, and the entire record in this cause. From all of which the Court is of the opinion that the allegations of the Bill for Absolute Divorce are well supported by the evidence and that the Defendant has been guilty of such cruel and inhuman treatment and conduct toward Complainant as renders further cohabitation unsafe and improper.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Complainant, Virginia Fitch Barksdale, be, and she is hereby, awarded an absolute divorce from the Defendant, Vernon D. Barksdale,

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and that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between them are here and now permanently dissolved and the Complainant is restored to all the rights and privileges of an unmarried person.

The Court is of the opinion that the Complainant should be granted the exclusive care, custody, and control of the parties' minor children and that the Defendant should commence immediately to provide for the support of these minor children.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Complainant be granted the exclusive custody, care, and control of the parties' minor children, Vernon D. Barksdale, Jr., Daniel Ray Barksdale, Jean Ellen Barksdale, and Fred Steven Barksdale, and that the Defendant be granted the right to see and be with said children at reasonable times and places, and that the Defendant commence immediately to support his minor children and that said child support shall be in the amount of Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars per month and shall be effected by the reinstatement by the Defendant of the allotment previously paid to the Complainant for the support of the children in the amount of Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars per month.

The Court is of the opinion that the Defendant should provide for full benefits available to his children as dependents of a member of the military service.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Defendant be required to furnish dependent identification cards to his minor children for the purpose of obtaining the benefits due them.

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The Court is of the opinion that the house and lot owned by the parties as tenants by the entirety be divested out of the Defendant and vested solely in the Complainant, to be hers absolutely.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that all right, title, and interest of the Defendant in and to the property located at 2928 Westmoreland Drive, Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee, be divested out of the Defendant and vested solely in the Complainant, more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Land in Davidson County, Tennessee

> Being the easterly 75 feet front of lot No. 15 on the plan of Bransford Realty Company's Subdivision of Westmoreland Place, as of record in Book 421, page 16, Register's Office for said County.
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> Said part of lot No. 15 fronts 75 feet on the northerly margin of Westmoreland Drive and runs back 185 feet on its easterly line, with the westerly line of lot No. 16 on said plan, and on its westerly line 180 feet, more or less, to an alley in the rear on which it measures 50 feet.
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> Being the same property conveyed to Vernon D. Barksdale and wife, Virginia Fitch Barksdale, by Mrs. Minnie Shane Bailey, Mrs. Florence Lacy Oliver, Alan S. Lacy, and David Paul Lacy, of record in book 4129, page 305, Register's Office for Davidson County, Tennessee.

The Court is of the opinion that all right, title, and interest of the Defendant in the furniture and household goods located in said house be divested out of the Defendant and be vested solely in the Complainant, to be hers absolutely.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that all furniture and household goods owned by the parties be divested out of the Defendant and be vested solely in the Complainant, to be hers absolutely.

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The Court is further of the opinion that an attorney fee in the amount of $250 is fair and equitable under the existing circumstances.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Defendant pay to John P. Brown, Jr., solicitor of record for the Complainant the sum of $250 which the Court determines to be a reasonable fee for services rendered to the Complainant in this cause, and for which execution may issue if necessary.

The Court hereby retains this matter for the express reason of determining reasonable child support to be paid by the Defendant in this cause.

All other matters are expressly reserved.

The costs of this cause are assessed against the Defendant, for which execution may issue, if necessary.

JUDGE

APPROVED FOR ENTRY: 6-30-72

John P. Brown, Jr.
Solicitor for Complainant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this Decree has been mailed to the Defendant in this cause, Vernon D. Barksdale, at his residence, 207 Tampa Drive, Apartment O-9, Nashville, Tennessee 37211.

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STATE OF TENNESSEE

I, **RICHARD R. ROOKER,** Clerk of the Circuit Court for Davidson County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the order heretofore entered in the _ Circuit Court for Davidson County, Tennessee, on the 30 day of JUNE , 1972 , in the Case Number 64244 between BARKSDALE, VIRGINIA F Plaintiff, and BARKSDALE, VERNON D Defendant, as same remains of record in the Minutes of said Court.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court, at office, in Nashville, the 01 day of JUNE in the year two thousand nine and in the 232nd year of American Independence.

RICHARD R. ROOKER, Clerk,

By _____
Deputy Clerk

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