

DOCKET NO. 173

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Mildred R. Meeler

VERSUS

Hubert D. Meeler

Clearfield County, ss:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to

John A. Cherry, Esq. Greeting:

Know you, that in confidence of your prudence and fidelity we have appointed you, and by these presents do give unto you full power and authority, in pursuance of an order made in our County Court of Common Pleas, for the County of Clearfield, in a certain cause there depending, wherein

Mildred R. Meeler Plaintiff ,

and

Hubert D. Meeler Defendant ,

to call before you at a certain day and place by you for that purpose to be appointed, all and every person who may be named to you on the part of the parties

as witnesses in the said cause, and then and there to examine each of the said witnesses upon their oath or solemn affirmation touching the premises and reduce their testimony to writing and report same with form of Decree and when you shall have done so, you are to send the name before our Judge at Clearfield, at our said Court, together with the interrogatories and this writ, and under your hand and seal.

In Testimony Whereof, we have caused the seal of our said Court to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, the Hon. John J. Pentz, President of our said Court, at Clearfield, the 5th day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty one

Prothonotary

To the Honorable, the Judge, &c.:

The execution of this commission appears in a certain schedule hereunto annexed.

John A. Cherry  
COMMISSIONER.

No. 57 February Term, 19 61

MILDRED R. MEELER

VERSUS

HUBERT D. MEELER

COMMISSION

Leo R. Brockbank Attorney.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MILDRED R. MEELER

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vs

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No. 57 February Term, 1961

HUBERT D. MEELER

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DOCKET ENTRIES

February 14, 1961, Complaint in Divorce filed. One copy certified to the Sheriff.

March 17, 1961, Sheriff's Return filed: NOW, March 17, 1961, after diligent search and inquiry, the within named defendant, Hubert D. Meeler, is not found in my bailiwick and I hereby return this writ "Not Found" as to Hubert D. Meeler. So answers, Charles G. Ammerman, Sheriff.

March 17, 1961, On praecipe filed by Leo R. Brockbank, Attorney service of the Complaint by publication filed. One copy of Complaint certified to the Sheriff.

Now, April 1, 1961, served the within Complaint in Divorce upon Hubert D. Meeler by advertising the printed notice hereto attached in the DuBois Courier Express, a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, on the dates mentioned in the affidavit of the publisher hereto attached and made part of this return of service. ALSO on the 18th day of March, 1961, sent a true and attested copy of the original Complaint in Divorce by registered mail, addressee only return receipt requested to Hubert D. Meeler, 120 N. Brady St., DuBois, Pa., that being his last known address. Registered letter marked "Moved, Left no address." is hereto attached and made part of this return of service. So answers Charles, G. Ammerman, Sheriff.

May 3, 1961, By motion on the Watch Book, John A. Cherry, Esq. is appointed Master to take testimony and report same with form of decree.

Certified from the record this 5th day of May, A. D. 1961

  
Prothonotary.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MILDRED R. MEELER )

-vs- )

HUBERT D. MEELER )

No. 57 FEBRUARY TERM, 1961  
IN DIVORCE

COMPLAINT

Now, comes Mildred R. Meeler, the plaintiff above named, and brings this COMPLAINT in Divorce against her husband, Hubert D. Meeler, on a cause of action whereof the following is a statement:

1. That the name of the plaintiff is MILDRED R. MEELER, and the name of the defendant is HUBERT D. MEELER.

2. That both of said parties are adults and competent.

3. That the said plaintiff and defendant were married on November 15, 1956, at Winchester, Virginia.

4. That at the time of said marriage, the plaintiff and the defendant were both natural-born citizens of the United States; the plaintiff having been born in DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, and the defendant having been born in Shreveport, Louisiana, and that said plaintiff has resided in Pennsylvania all her life.

5. That the present residence of the plaintiff is 208½ Dixon Avenue, Sandy Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania; and the present residence of the defendant is unknown, the defendant left the domicile at 410½ South State Street, DuBois, Pa. on or about May 6, 1957 and moved to the Hotel Logan, 120 North Brady Street, DuBois, Pa., where he resided until sometime in December, 1957, which is his last known residence.

6. That a prior Divorce Action was instituted in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, by this same plaintiff against this same defendant on the grounds of desertion, which said case was discontinued and all costs paid; said discontinuance having been done with the approval of the Court.

7. That no children were born to this marriage.

8. The plaintiff further avers that in violation of defendant's marriage vows and of the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the said HUBERT D. MEELER, the defendant herein named, did on or about May 6, 1957, at 410 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street, DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, willfully and maliciously, and without reasonable cause, desert the plaintiff, and absent himself from their common habitation at 410 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street, and has continued in said desertion for a period of more than two years, to wit: from May 6, 1957.

9. That this action is not brought out of collusion.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiff prays that she be freed and separated from the bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted between the said plaintiff and defendant and be granted a Decree in Divorce a vinculo matromonii dissolving the bonds of the said marriage.

Maude R. Meeler  
Plaintiff

Reo R. Brockbank  
Attorney for Plaintiff

February 11, 1961.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

SS

COUNTY OF CLEARFIELD

Personally appeared before me, A Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, MILDRED R. MEELER, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that the facts set forth in the foregoing Complaint are true and correct and that the same is not made out of levity or by collusion between herself and the said defendant for the mere purpose of being freed and separated from each other, but in sincerity and truth for the causes mentioned in the Complaint.

Mildred R. Meeler

Sworn and subscribed to  
before me this 11  
day of February, 1961.

Mrs. Jean M. Weaver  
Notary Public

JEAN M. WEAVER, Notary Public  
FUEBL, CLEARFIELD CO., PA.

My Commission Expires Sept 12, 1964

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA  
NO. 37 FEBRUARY TERM, 1961

MILDRED R. MEELER

-VS-

HUBERT D. MEELER

COMPLAINT IN DIVORCE

To Hubert D. Meeler:

You are hereby notified to  
plead to the enclosed com-  
plaint within twenty (20)  
days from service hereof.

*Leo R. Brockbank*  
Attorney for Plaintiff

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WM. T. HAGERTY

PROTHONOTARY

LEO R. BROCKBANK

ATTORNEY AT LAW

SUITE 240, 242, 244 DU BOIS DEPOSIT  
NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

DU BOIS, PENNSYLVANIA

457 Atty



INVOICE

# DuBois Courier-Express

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY  
56-58 WEST LONG AVENUE  
DuBois, PENNSYLVANIA

In Account With April 1, 1961

Charles G. Ammerman, Sheriff  
Clearfield, Pa.

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TERMS:—Cash

Advertising in DuBois Courier-Express  
( Divorce Notice--Hubert D.Meeler--Mildred R.Meeler)

March 18--65 words

" 25--65 "

April 1--65 "

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Notary Fee----- .50

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Under Act No. 587, Approved May 16, 1929, P. L. 1784

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNTY OF CLEARFIELD

SS:

*M. L. Bloom, Genl. Mgr.*

of The DuBois Courier-Express,

of the County, and State aforesaid, being duly sworn, deposes and says that **The DuBois Courier-Express** is a daily newspaper published by Courier-Express Publishing Company at 56-58 West Long Avenue, City of DuBois, County and State aforesaid, which was established in the year 1879, since which date said daily newspaper has been regularly issued in said County, and that a copy of the printed notice of publication is attached hereto exactly as the same was printed and published in the regular editions of the daily newspaper on the following dates, viz: ~~the~~

*March 18 & 25 & April 1st*  
day of ..... A.D., 19*61*.....

Affiant further deposes that he is an officer duly authorized by **The DuBois Courier-Express**, a daily newspaper, to verify the foregoing statement under oath and also declared that affiant is not interested in the subject matter of the aforesaid notice or publication, and that all allegations in the foregoing statement as to time, place and character of publication are true.

**COURIER-EXPRESS PUBLISHING COMPANY**

Publisher of

**THE DUBOIS COURIER-EXPRESS**

By

*M. L. Bloom, Genl. Mgr.*

Sworn and subscribed to before me this *4* day of *April*, 19*61*.

*Meritt J. Edner*  
Notary Public  
*my. com exp. 1/16/63.*

**Statement of Advertising Costs**

**COURIER-EXPRESS PUBLISHING COMPANY**

Publisher of

**THE DUBOIS COURIER-EXPRESS**

DuBois, Pa.

To *Charles G. Ammerman, Sheriff.*  
*(Meeler Divorce)*

For publishing the notice or advertisement attached hereto on the above stated dates \$ *7.80*

Probating same . . . . . \$ *1.50*

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**The DuBois Courier-Express**, a daily newspaper hereby acknowledges receipt of the aforesaid advertising and publication costs, and certifies that the same have been fully paid.

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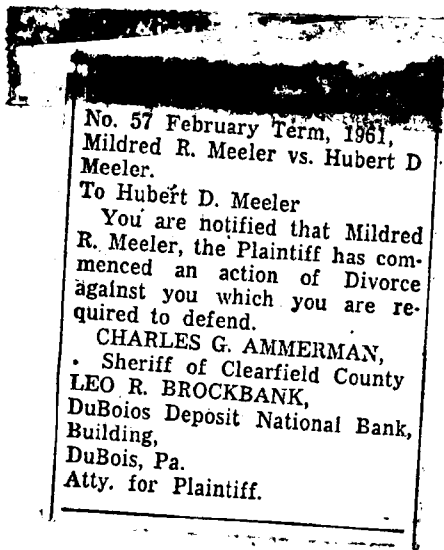
Publisher of

**THE DUBOIS COURIER-EXPRESS**

By .....

I hereby certify that the foregoing is the original Proof of Publication and Receipt for the Advertising costs in the subject matter of said notice.

ATTORNEY FOR



In The Court Of Common Pleas Of Clearfield County, Pa.

Mildred R. Meeler

vs

Hubert D. Meeler

No 57 Feb Term 1961

Complaint In Divorce

Service By Publication Directed

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(Sheriff, s Return)

Now, April 1, 1961. served the within Complaint In Divorce upon Hubert D. Meeler by advertising the printed notice hereto attached in the Du Bois Courier, a newspaper of general circulation published in the city of Du Bois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, on the dates mentioned in the affidavit of the publisher. hereto attached and made part of this return of service.

ALSO on the 18th day of March 1961 sent a true and attested copy of the original Complaint In Divorce by registered mail, addressee only return receipt requested to Hubert D. Meeler, 120 N. Brady St Du Bois, Pa., that being his last known address. Registered letter marked "MOVED, Left no address" is hereto attached and made part of this return of service.

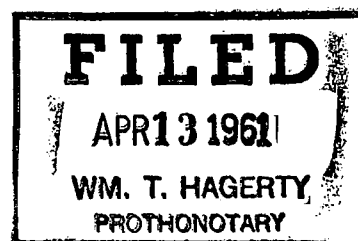
Costs Sheriff Ammerman \$7.18  
Du Bois Courier Express \$8.30  
(Paid by Atty Brookbank)

So Answers,

*Charles G. Ammerman*  
Charles G. Ammerman  
Sheriff

Sworn to before me this 5th  
day of April A.D. 1961.

*Wm T. Hagerty*  
Prothonotary.



Du Bois Courier Express- (Please Publish once a week for three successive weeks. Beginning March 18, 1961)

Commonwealth Of Pa,  
County Of Clearfield, Pa,

No. 57 February Term , 1961,

Mildred R. Meeler

vs

Hubert D. Meeler

To Hubert D. Meeler

You are notified that Mildred R. Meeler, The plaintiff  
has commenced an action of Divorce ~~against~~ <sup>AGAINST</sup> you which you  
are required to defend

Charles G. Ammerman

*Charles G. Ammerman*  
Sheriff Of Clearfield, County,

Leo.D. Brockbank  
Du Bois Deposit  
National Bank  
Du Bois Pa,  
Atty For Plaintiff.

County of Cumberland Lane a Campbell City Pa.

Walter R Meeler

Nov 7 Feb Term 1961  
In Quorum

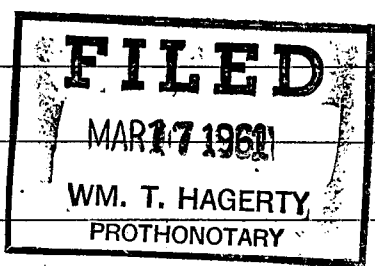
Walter R Meeler

To Hmt Hager  
Prothonotary

direct service of the complaint  
by publication

March 7 1961

Reo R Brockbank  
Attorney for Plaintiff



In the Court Of Common Pleas of Clearfield County, Pa.

Mildred R. Meeler  
vs  
Hubert D. Meeler

No 57 Feb Term 1961,  
Complaint in Divorce.

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(Sheriff, s Return)

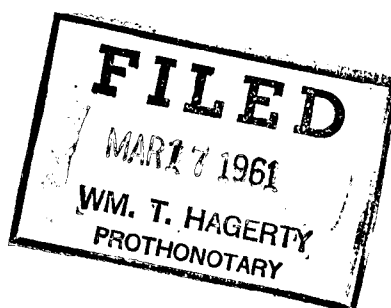
NOW, March 13, 1961, after diligent search and inquiry, the within named defendant, Hubert D. Meeler, is not found in my bailwick and I hereby return this writ "Not Found" as to Hubert D. Meeler.

Costs: Sheriff Ammerman \$5.00  
(Paid by Atty Brockbank)

So Answers,  
*Charles G. Ammerman*  
Charles G. Ammerman  
Sheriff

Sworn to before me this 13th  
day of March 1961 A.D.

*Wm. T. Hagerty*  
Prothonotary.



IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MILDRED R. MEELER )

-vs- )

HUBERT D. MEELER )

NO. 57 FEBRUARY TERM, 1961

IN DIVORCE

TO: HUBERT D. MEELER, late of the Hotel Logan, DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

You are hereby notified that I have been appointed Master in the Divorce Action of MILDRED R. MEELER, your wife, against you in the Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, at No. 57 February Term, 1961, and that I will hold a meeting for the purpose of taking testimony in said case at my office, 109 North Brady Street, in the City of DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, May 24, 1961, at 1:30 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time, when and where you may attend with witnesses, if you so desire.

  
JOHN A. CHERRY,  
MASTER.

To be published on Tuesday, May 9, 1961 and on Tuesday,

May 16, 1961.

*Service of notice  
accepted by Rockbank  
attorneys for plaintiff*

INVOICE

# DuBois Courier-Express

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY  
56-58 WEST LONG AVENUE  
DuBois, PENNSYLVANIA

May 16, 1961

*In Account With*

John A. Cherry, Att.  
DuBois, Pa.

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TERMS:—Cash

Advertising in DuBois Courier-Express  
( Divorce Notice--Mildred R. Meeler vs Hubert Meeler)

IN THE COURT OF COMMON  
PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUN-  
TY, PENNSYLVANIA.

MILDRED R. MEELER vs.  
HUBERT D. MEELER.

NO. 57 FEBRUARY TERM,  
1961 IN DIVORCE.

TO: HUBERT D. MEELER,  
late of the Hotel Logan, DuBois,  
Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

You are hereby notified that I  
have been appointed Master in  
the Divorce Action of MILDRED  
R. MEELER, your wife, against  
you in the Court of Common  
Pleas of Clearfield County, Penn-  
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in the City of DuBois, Clearfield  
County, Pennsylvania on Wed-  
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o'clock p. m. Eastern Daylight  
Saving Time, when and where  
you may attend with witnesses,  
if you so desire.

JOHN A. CHERRY, MASTER

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MILDRED R. MEELER

VS.

HUBERT D. MEELER

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No. 57 February Term, 1961

IN DIVORCE

MASTER'S REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE JOHN J. PENTZ, PRESIDENT JUDGE OF THE SAID COURT:

The undersigned Commissioner appointed by your Honorable Court to take testimony and report the same with form of decree in the above case, respectfully represents:

I. COMMISSION.

(hereto attached).

II. DOCKET ENTRIES AND SCHEDULE

(Docket Entries hereunto attached).

SCHEDULE.

1. February 14, 1961, Complaint in Divorce filed, one copy certified to Sheriff. April 1, 1961, Complaint in Divorce was served by publication; and on March 18, 1961 notice and copy of Complaint were sent by registered mail addressee only, but returned marked "MOVED, Left no address."

2. On May 3, 1961, by motion on the Watch Book, John A. Cherry, Esq. was appointed Master to take Testimony and report the same with form of decree.

3. Hearing appointed in said case for Wednesday, May 24, 1961 at 1:30 P.M., E.D.S.T., at the offices of Gleason, Cherry & Cherry, DuBois, Pennsylvania. Notice of hearing was served on the Defendant by publication in the DuBois Courier-Express on the 9th and 16th days of May, in accordance with publication notice hereto attached.

4. On May 24, 1961, at 1:30 P.M., E.D.S.T. at the

offices of Gleason, Cherry & Cherry, 109 North Brady Street, DuBois, Pennsylvania, the time and place appointed for hearing, there appeared before your Master, MILDRED R. MEELER, Plaintiff; LEO R. BROCKBANK, Esq., Attorney for Plaintiff; and RUSSELL SIMPSON and ELIZABETH POULOS, witnesses for Plaintiff. The Defendant did not appear at either hearing nor was he represented by counsel.

III. COMPLAINT AND FILED PAPERS.

(Hereunto attached)

IV. CAUSE OF DIVORCE - Desertion.

V. FINDINGS OF FACT.

1. Marriage - The Plaintiff and Defendant were married on the 15th day of November, 1956, at Winchester, Virginia.

2. Residence - The Plaintiff and Defendant were both natural born citizens of the United States and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Plaintiff having been born in DuBois, Pennsylvania, and Defendant in Shreveport, Louisiana. Plaintiff has been a resident in Pennsylvania all of her life; and her present residence is 208½ Dickson Avenue, Sandy Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania. The last known residence of the Defendant was Hotel Logan, 120 North Brady Street, DuBois, Pennsylvania, and his present whereabouts are unknown.

3. Citizenship - Both the Plaintiff and the Defendant are natural born citizens of the United States.

4. Age and Occupation - The Plaintiff is 36 years of age and is employed as a Clerk at Montgomery Ward & Co., DuBois, Pennsylvania; the Defendant being 35 years of age and his present occupation unknown.

5. Children - There were no children born to this

marriage.

6. Military Service - The Defendant is not in the Military Service, nor is the Plaintiff.

7. Findings on the Merits and Discussion - From the evidence, it appears that Plaintiff has made out a case of desertion entitling her to a divorce on that ground. The desertion occurred on May 6, 1957, and has continued to the present time. The Defendant left their domicile at 410 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street, DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania on May 6, 1957, and went to live in the Hotel Logan, DuBois, Pennsylvania, willfully and maliciously and without reasonable cause, deserting the Plaintiff and absenting himself from their normal habitation. The Plaintiff made an effort to make the marriage a success, but the Defendant failed to cooperate in any respect. The Plaintiff has supported herself without aid from her husband, and the evidence shows that she did not give him any cause to desert her. Under the circumstances, it is your Master's opinion that a desertion under the laws has been established and that a divorce of a vinculo matrimonii must be granted to Plaintiff.

8. A prior divorce proceeding had been instituted in Clearfield County by this Plaintiff against this Defendant on the grounds of desertion, but was discontinued by approval of Court, with all costs paid.

#### VI. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Your Commissioner finds that the proceedings in this action are in accordance with the requirements of law and Rules of Court.

2. The Court has jurisdiction of the action and the parties.

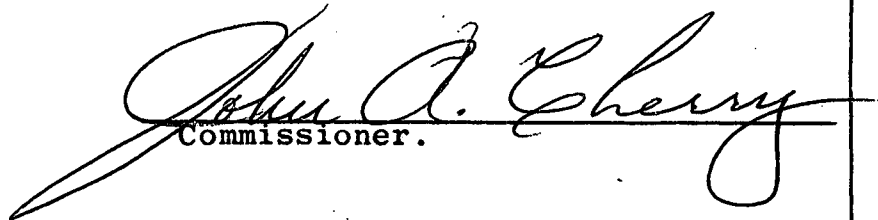
3. Good and sufficient grounds for divorce have been established by the evidence.

#### VII. RECOMMENDATION

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Your Master recommends that a divorce be granted to the Plaintiff and against the Defendant on the ground of Desertion.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Commissioner.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania



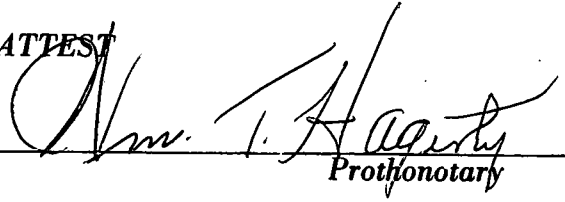
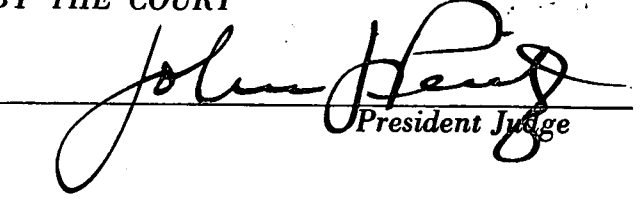
Mildred R. Meeler	}	Of <u>February</u> Term, 19 <u>61</u>
		No. <u>57</u>
VERSUS		
Hubert D. Meeler		<b>DIVORCE</b>

And Now, the 25th day of May 19 61, the report of the Master is acknowledged. We approve his findings and recommendations; except as to \_\_\_\_\_

We, therefore, DECREE that MILDRED R. MEELER be divorced and forever separated from the nuptial ties and bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted between ~~XXXXX~~ herself and HUBERT D. MEELER.

Thereupon all the rights, duties or claims accruing to either of said parties in pursuance of said marriage, shall cease and determine, and each of them shall be at liberty to marry again as though they had never been heretofore married, except that \_\_\_\_\_

The Prothonotary is directed to pay the Court costs, including Master's fees, as noted herein, out of the deposits received and then remit the balance to the libellant. No Decree to issue until the costs be fully paid. We do further award to the said MILDRED R. MEELER ~~his~~ her costs expended in this action.

ATTEST	BY THE COURT
 Prothonotary	 President Judge

In The Court of Common Pleas  
Of Clearfield County, Penna.

No. 57 February Term 19 61

MILDRED R. MEELER

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*VERSUS*

HUBERT D. MEELER

*Respondent*

DECREE

*Attorney*

MILDRED R. MEELER being produced and sworn testified as follows:

BY MR. BROCKBANK: -

Q. What is your name?

A. Mildred R. Meeler

Q. Are you the Plaintiff in this Divorce Case?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. When were you and Hubert D. Meeler married?

A. On November 15, 1956 at Winchester, Virginia.

Q. How old are you?

A. Thirty-six years.

Q. How old is Hubert D. Meeler?

A. I think thirty-five years of age.

Q. Where were you born?

A. DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

Q. Where was Hubert D. Meeler born?

A. Shreveport, Louisiana.

Q. After your marriage, where did you and your husband go to housekeeping?

A. 410 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street, DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

Q. How long did you reside at 410 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street?

A. My husband and I lived in this house until he left on May 6, 1957.

Q. Where did your husband go when he left on May 6, 1957?

A. He went to the Hotel Logan, at 120 North Brady Street, DuBois, Pa.

Q. How long did he stay there?

A. Until sometime in December, 1957, when he disappeared, and I have not heard anything from him since?

Q. Has Mr. Meeler supported you in any manner since he left on May 6, 1957.

A. No, he has not.

Q. Have you and Mr. Meeler lived together or cohabited together since May 6, 1957?

A. No, we have not.

Q. What was Mr. Meeler's employment?

A. He worked on the Gas Wells for Keta, Simpson, and Sam Jack in the DuBois territory.

Q. While you and Mr. Meeler lived together, were you employed by anyone?

A. No, Mr. Meeler paid the rent, groceries and other bills.

Q. After Mr. Meeler left, did you have to secure employment to keep yourself?

A. Yes, I worked for Troutman's, and I have been working for Montgomery Wards for almost three years right up to the present time.

Q. During your married life, when you lived with your husband, whom did you rent from?

A. We rented from my father, Russell Simpson.

Q. Since your husband left, have you left your residence at 410 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street?

A. Yes, I lived part of the time at 306 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street and I have been living at 208 $\frac{1}{2}$  Dixon Avenue up until the present time.

Q. Are both of these residences in DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania?

A. Yes, they are.

Q. Did you and your husband get along well during your married life?

A. Yes, we did.

Q. Did you attend to taking care of the house, cooking the meals, and other domestic duties, as you should?



A. Yes, I did.

Q. Do you have any reason that you can give me why Mr. Meeler left on May 6, 1957?

A. No, I do not have any reason whatever. I treated him all right, and we seemed to be getting along in good shape.

Q. What did he do at the time he left?

A. He took his clothing and the car that belonged to him and left, and I heard afterwards that he registered up at the Logan Hotel.

Q. Did you ever go down to the Logan Hotel to talk to him?

A. No, I didn't.

Q. Did you call him on the phone or communicate with him in any manner after he went to the Logan Hotel?

A. No.

Q. How did you find out that your husband had left the Hotel Logan?

A. I was told by friends that he had left the Hotel Logan, and nobody knew where he had gone.

Q. About when did you get this information?

A. I think it was in the late part of December, 1957.

Q. Have you ever seen Mr. Meeler since or had any communications from him?

A. No, I have not.

Q. Was your husband in the Armed Services?

A. He told me that he was in Germany during World War II, and I know that he was not in the Armed Forces when we were married. He and I used to go to the Vets Club during our married life to attend the social functions held by them at the Club on West Long Avenue, DuBois.

Q. Do you and Mr. Meeler have any children?

A. No.

*Mildred R. Meeler*

MRS. ELIZABETH POULOS being produced and sworn testified as follows:

BY MR. BROCKBANK:-

Q. What is your name?

A. Mrs. Elizabeth Poulos.

Q. Where do you live?

A. 410 South State Street, DuBois, Pa.

Q. Is that right next door to Mildred R. Meeler's former residence?

A. Yes.

Q. How long have you known Mrs. Meeler?

A. All her life.

Q. What is your husband's business?

A. My husband conducts a restaurant directly across the street from Troutman's Department Store, DuBois, Pa.

Q. Have you heard Mrs. Meeler testify in this case?

A. Yes, I have.

Q. Are you familiar with a large part of this testimony?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. And is the testimony as given by Mrs. Meeler true, as far as you know?

A. Yes, her testimony is true and correct.

Q. Do you remember when Mr. and Mrs. Meeler were married?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. Mrs. Meeler testified that she was married in Winchester, Virginia, about November 15, 1956 and immediately after their marriage they moved into the house at 410½ South State Street, which would be next door to you. Is this correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. Mrs. Meeler also testified that her husband left her about

May 6, 1957. Is this correct?

A. Yes, this is correct.

Q. Since May 6, 1957, have you ever seen Mr. Meeler or has he been around the place to your knowledge?

A. I have never seen him since then, and I do not know where he is.

Q. How did Mr. and Mrs. Meeler appear to get along during their married life?

A. As far as I know, they got along all right. I never heard of any trouble between them.

Q. Has Mrs. Meeler been working and supporting herself since her husband left?

A. Yes, she has.

Q. Where has she worked to your knowledge?

A. Formerly at Troutman's and for the last three years, she has been working at Montgomery Wards.

Q. Is she still working at Montgomery Wards?

A. Yes, she is.

Q. Since Mr. Meeler left, where has Mrs. Meeler resided?

A. Formerly she lived at 306 $\frac{1}{2}$  South State Street, across the street from St. Joseph's Church and then she moved to 208 $\frac{1}{2}$  Dixon Avenue, where she is still living.

Q. Are both of these places in DuBois, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania?

A. Yes, they are.

Q. Do Mr. and Mrs. Meeler have any children as the result of this marriage?

A. No, they don't.

Q. Could you tell the Master what you think of Mrs. Meeler as a good wife, etc.?

A. Mrs. Meeler was always a good wife, as far as I know, took care of the home, attended to the housework and cooked the

meals and did everything she could to make their married life a success.

Q. Mrs. Meeler does not know why her husband left. Could you give us any idea why he has disappeared?

A. I don't know. It was a surprise to me, he was a Gas Well worker and probably roamed around the country with the Gas Well drillers, and when business got bad around the DuBois territory, he just left. I have never seen him since.

*Mrs Elizabeth Poulos*

RUSSELL SIMPSON being produced and sworn testified as follows:

By Mr. Brockbank :-

Q. What is your name?

A. Russell Simpson.

Q. Are you related to Mrs. Mildred R. Meeler?

A. Yes, she is my daughter.

Q. When and where was your daughter married to Hubert D. Meeler?

A. They were married in Winchester, Virginia on November 15, 1956,

Q. Where was your daughter born?

A. Right here in DuBois, Pennsylvania.

Q. How long has she lived in DuBois?

A. All her life.

Q. As soon as they were married where did your daughter and her husband go to housekeeping?

A. In the other side of the double house that belongs to me and where I live, at 410½ South State Street, DuBois, Pa.

Q. How long did your daughter and her husband live together at this address, 410½ South State Street after they were married?

A. Their entire married life until he left.

Q. When did Hubert D. Meeler leave the common household?

A. It was about May, 1957 as near as I can say at this time.

Q. Where did he go to after that?

A. He went down to the Hotel Logan in DuBois and stayed a while.

Q. After he left the common household at 410½ South State Street, did you ever see him again?

A. No, I didn't.

Q. After he went to the Logan House, how long did he stay there?

A. I don't know. I heard he was working on a gas well for some of these drillers, and after a short while I never heard anything more about him, except that he had left, and he has never been back since.

Q. When was it then that you last heard of him?

A. That would be in the summer, or maybe later, in 1957, or nearly four years ago.

Q. How did your daughter and her husband get along during their married life?

A. Well, they lived in the same double house right next to me, and I never heard any arguments or trouble between them, and they seemed to get along all right, as far as I knew, but I didn't bother in their personal affairs.

Q. Did your daughter work during the time she and her husband lived together?

A. I don't know for sure, but I don't think she did, but after he left, I think she got a job working in Troutman's Department Store in DuBois.

Q. Has your daughter been working and supporting herself ever since her husband left?

A. Yes, she has.

Q. Where does she work now?

A. At the present time, she works for Montgomery Wards in DuBois.

Q. During their married life, did your daughter and her husband get along all right.

A. As far as I know, yes they did. She was a good wife and took care of the house, cooked the meals, and did everything she could to get along.

Q. Did you talk to your daughter before she got married to Mr. Meeler?

A. Yes, I did, and I was not too much in favor of her getting married, But she told me he was the nicest fellow in the world, and that she was going to marry him, and she was over twenty-one, and I didn't try to stop the wedding.

Q. Since Mr. Meeler left, have you assisted your daughter financially?

A. Yes, I have.

Q. How much money have you given her?

A. Well, since Mr. Meeler left, I think I have supplied her with over \$800.00.

Q. At the present time, where does your daughter reside?

A. She is now living at 208 $\frac{1}{2}$  Dixon Avenue, DuBois, Pa.

Q. Do you know why Mr. Meeler left in May, 1957?

A. My opinion is that he was one of these gas drillers that came in here and was looking for a place to live, and talked my daughter into getting married, and after the gas drilling was done as far as he was concerned, he just left, and I have never heard anything about him since.

*Russell Simpson*

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