

Jefferson County Circuit Court
Case Files-Civil

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May 1868, No. 144

Reisch, Andrew

vs.

Reisch, Melissa Henrietta

Divorce

Married 19 April 1865; desertion;
child Melissa; defendant counter
claimed abuse

Andrew Reisch, plaintiff } In the Circuit
Against } Court of Jef=
Melissa Henrietta Reisch, Defendant } ferson County
Missouri,
} May Term 1868

The Plaintiff states that on the 19th day of April 1865, in the County of Jefferson in the State of Missouri, he was lawfully married to the Defendant, That Plaintiff continued to live with Defendant as her husband from and after the day and year aforesaid, until the 19th day of February 1867, - That during all that time Plaintiff faithfully demeaned himself, and discharged all his duties as the husband of the Defendant, and at all times treated her with kindness and affection, - But, that the Defendant, wholly disregarding her duties as the wife of the Plaintiff, on the 19th day of February 1867, without any just cause or provocation deserted and abandoned the Plaintiff, and has remained absent ever since, and refuses to return home and live with him as his wife, - Plaintiff therefore charges that the Defendant has absented herself from Plaintiff, without a reasonable cause, for the space of one year, since the marriage aforesaid, - Plaintiff further states that he has resided within this State one whole year next before the filing of this petition.

The Plaintiff therefore for the cause above alleged, prays to be divorced from the bonds of matrimony contracted as aforesaid with the Defendant, - and that the Court will make such further orders & judgments as may be just & proper.

Abner Green, Attorney for Plaintiff

This Affiant Andrew Reisch, the Plaintiff, makes oath and says that the facts stated in the above and foregoing petition, are true according to the best knowledge and belief of the Plaintiff, and that the Complaint is not made out of levity or by collusion, fear or restraint, between the Plaintiff and the Defendant, for the mere purpose of being separated from each other, but in sincerity and truth for the Causes mentioned in the petition - and the said Affiant further states that the Defendant, Melissa Henrietta Reisch, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri.

I sworn to and subscribed
before me this 24th
24th 1868.

Andrew Reisch

Chas H. Honey excise
Per D. N. D. Dept

No 144

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In the Circuit Court
Jefferson County
May Term 1868

Andrew Reich

vs,

Melissa W. Reich

Petition
for Divorce

Let order of publica-
tion be made

Attest
for Clk.

Filed Feb'y 24th 1868

E. H. Honey Clerk

\$3. paid by Reich

State of Missouri, COUNTY OF JEFFERSON.

Be it Remembered, That on this day of A. D. 186 . . . before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Court of Jefferson county, came Chas. A. ~~Clerk~~ ^{Deputy}, who being by me duly sworn, says that the annexed advertisement was published in the **JEFFERSON COUNTY LEADER**, a newspaper printed and published in the town of Hillsboro, in said county, of which he is printer, for times, the first insertion being on the day of 186 . . . and the last on the day of 186 . . . as follows, to-wit:

Order of Publication.

IN the Jefferson County Circuit Court, in vacation Feb. 24th, 1868. For a divorce.

Andrew Risch vs. Melissa H. Risch.

Now at this day comes said plaintiff and files his petition verified by affidavit, as the law directs, stating among other things that the said defendant, Melissa H. Risch is a non-resident of the State of Missouri. Whereupon it is ordered by the undersigned Clerk of said Circuit Court that publication be made notifying said defendant that an action has been commenced against her by petition in the Circuit Court of said county, for divorce from the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant, on the grounds of abandonment; and unless she be and appear before said Court in the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the Court House, in Hillsboro, in said county, on the sixth Monday after the fourth Monday of March next, and on or before the sixth day of said term, answer or demur to said petition, it will be taken as confessed, and judgment rendered accordingly. It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Jefferson County Leader, a newspaper printed and published in the State of Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least four weeks before said next term.

A true copy from the record. Witness

my hand and the seal of said Circuit Court, at office, this Feb. 14th 1868.

ELIAS F. HONEY, Clerk.

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By Charles T. Horine, Deputy.

...this day of 186 . . .

...Received Payment.

In No.

Chas. A. DePuy

186 . . .

In No. 9, Feb. 26

186. 8

In No. 10, Mar. 6

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In No. 11, " 13

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In No. 12, " 19

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In No. 13, " 26

186. 8

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON.

..... day of..... A. D. 1866 before me, the Court of Jefferson county, came Chas. ~~A. Clark~~ ^{John H. Clark}, who being by me certified was published in the **JEFFERSON COUNTY LEADER**, in the town of Hillsboro, in said county, of which he is printer, for on the 21 day of February..... 1866 and the last..... 1866 as follows, to-wit:

In No. 9,	Feb. 21	1866
In No. 10,	Mar. 6	1866
In No. 11,	" 13	1866
In No. 12,	" 19	1866
In No. 13,	" 26	1866
In No. ,		1866

Chas. H. Clark

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of..... 1866

Printer's fee..... 12 00 Received Payment.....

the development of her interests. Close markets on every side, possessing the mild-est climate; marked in each direction by living streams or dotted by unfailing springs; having that variety of timbered hills and fertile lowlands so attractive to every lover of nature, we feel certain that it must soon contain six times its present population. Many of our old farmers had for years felt discouraged by the light crops of grain produced here, through their imperfect methods of cultivating the soil; and even now, with the light of greater experience, it is not claimed that all portions of Jefferson county are equal to the prairies of Illinois in raising wheat, corn or oats. In raising the different grasses however, this county is now here excelled. Clover is most peculiarly adapted to our soil. It restores worn-out land; it enriches any soil, and if not cropped in the fall, does not require re-seeding the following year. Timothy sown on good soil never gives out. The average annual yield of these grasses is from two to three tons per acre; and this fact, taken in connection with our mild winters, demonstrates the adaptability of this county to successful stock-raising. Many of our best improved stock have been introduced, and many more are need-

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON.

The State of Missouri,

To

Isaac Reynolds & Oswald
Jennel

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That setting aside all manner of excuse and delay, you appear before our Circuit Court for the County aforesaid, ~~and~~ *on the*

23rd Nov 1868 at Hillsboro, then and there to testify, and the truth to say in a certain

matter of controversy, now pending in our said Court, wherein

Amos Dick is

Plaintiff, and

Melvin Quick is

Defendant, on the part of

Plaintiff

and herein you are in no wise to

fail.

Witness, ELIAS F. HONEY, Clerk of our said

Court, with the seal thereof hereto affixed, at office

this *18th* day of *Nov* A. D. 1868,

Elias F. Honey Clerk.

By E. F. Honey Deft

SUBPOENA.

To Jefferson Circuit Court.

November Term, 1868

et. Reach

vs

W. Reach

for Plaintiff

Joshua Reynolds

Florin Reynolds

John Williams
Sheriff fee \$1.00

I serve the within in Jefferson County Mo on the
23rd day of November 1868 on Joshua Reynolds
and Florin Reynolds by reaching the same to
each of them

John Williams
Sheriff

A. Risch

In

M. H. Risch

Return to outside
default.

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E. A. Honey & Co.

Andrew Risch, Plaintiff
vs
Melissa G. Risch, Defendant

Now at this day comes & aid
Defendant and for answer to the
petition of the Plaintiff denies that
she on the 19th day of February 1868
or at any other time deserted and
abandoned Plaintiff without any
just or reasonable cause or excuse.
She avers that ~~defendant~~ Plaintiff
became ~~jealous~~ jealous of Defendant
and by continually accusing her of
intimacy with others rendered her
condition intolerable. She further
alleges that Defendant was guilty
of such violence towards her as
to endanger her life in this that
he choked her and otherwise mal-
treated her and for these reasons she
left Plaintiff who has not returned to
him. Defendant says there was
born of the marriage set up in Plaintiff's
petition one child now two ^{and} half years
old named Melissa. She therefore
asks the Court to order that she retain
the custody & control of her said child
& to allow her such alimony out of Plaintiff's

to the property as may to the Court seem
right.

John L. Thomas
Atty for Defendant.

Andrew Rusch

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Melissa H. Rusch

Anne of Defenders

Filed Nov 23 1888,
E. D. Hoarey Cl