

Eliza Self

vs. }

SUBPŒNA  
IN CHANCERY.

Samuel Self

Johnson & Wilson, p. q.

To 2<sup>nd</sup> Cert

Rules.

1903

Russell Circuit Court.

Shriff for 50¢ find

Executed by delivering  
a copy of this  
summons to the  
within named party  
this the 13 day of  
October 1903.

Re O. Baldwin  
Deputy for T. D. Thompson

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Virginia Russell Circuit Court, to wit  
To the Hon, John D. Shelley, Judge  
of said court in chancery sitting  
Your oratrix Eliza Self, humbly  
complaining sheweth unto your  
honor, that on the — day of —  
month 18, she was joined in  
the holy estate of matrimony with  
Samuel Self, in Dickerson, Co,  
Virginia, that they lived together as  
man and wife several years,  
and was happy and contented  
in their married life, until  
without warning, cause, or ex-  
cuse, her husband wilfully deserted,

and abandoned her, against her  
will, and consent, and greatly to  
her mortification and distress,  
that she done every thing in  
her power to get him to come  
back and live with her, and take  
care of her, and support her as  
a husband's duty demands that  
he should, but that he would not  
come back, or let her live with  
him, and has absolutely refused to  
live with her, or have anything  
to do with her in any way.

Your oratrix avers and charges  
that her husband wilfully deserted

and abandoned her without a just cause or excuse, against her will, and without her consent, and against her protests and entreaties for him to live with her as his wife.

Your oratrix avers and charges that said abandonment, and desertion has been for a period of three years and over, that he has absolutely refused to live with her at any and all times since he wilfully deserted and abandoned her, and that said desertion and abandonment has been continued

and unbroken for over three  
years. Youratrix avers and  
charges that she and her husband  
lost lived together as man and  
wife in Russell County, Va.  
that she is a resident of this  
state and has been all of her  
life.

Considering the Premises the  
prayer of youratrix is that  
Daniel Self be made a party de  
fendant to this suit, that proper  
process issue, that he be re  
quired to answer this bill but  
answer under oath is ex

pressely wanted, that your oratory  
be granted a divorce "a vinculo  
matrimonii" dissolving the bonds of  
matrimony now existing between  
them, and that she be restored to  
all the rights of an unmarried  
woman, & she will ever pray  
&c.

D. T. Wilson, and  
S. J. Johnson, Counsel

Eliza Self. Compt.

vs Bill

Samuel Self Deft.

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1903 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct Rules -  
Bill filed & Rule to  
plead -

1<sup>st</sup> Non Rules - Cause  
set for hearing

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B. J. Wilson, atty

W. B. Johnson, counsel

ELIZA SELF, COMPLAINANT,

VS. I DECREE.

SAMUEL SELF, DEFENDANT.

This cause came on this day to be heard on Complainant's bill duly matured at rules by service of process on the Defendant, depositions filed therewith, and was argued by counsel.

On consideration whereof, it appearing to the court from said depositions filed with complainant's bill, that the defendant, Samuel Self, wilfully deserted and abandoned the complainant, Eliza Self, more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and has refused to co-habit with her since said abandonment and desertion, it is therefore adjudged, ordered, and decreed, that the bonds of matrimony heretofore solemnized between the Complainant and defendant, be, and the same are by this decree dissolved, and the complainant is divorced from the defendant, a vinculo matrimonii.

It is further considered by the court, that the complainant recover of the defendant her costs in this behalf expended.

And this cause is stricken from the docket.



Eliza Self  
H. E. Deane  
Sam'l Self

1904 March 17th

Entered this

F. B. H.

Entered

To *Samuel Self,*

Take notice that *I* shall, on the *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *December* 18*93*,  
at *the clerk's of the circuit court of* *Russell County, Virginia,*  
in *Lebanon, Va,*  
between the hours of *9* A. M. and *2* P. M., on that day, proceed to take the depositions  
of *Geo Newberry* and others, to be read in evidence in *my* behalf,  
in a certain *suit in chancery* depending in the *Circuit* court for the  
*County* of *Russell* wherein you are *Def<sup>t</sup>*  
and *I am Compt<sup>t</sup>*; and if, from any cause, the taking of the said depositions  
be not commenced on that day, or, if commenced, be not concluded on that day, the taking of the  
same will be adjourned and continued from day to day, or from time to time, at the same place and  
between the same hours, until the same shall be completed.

Respectfully yours,

*Eliza Self*

Eliza Self

vs.

NOTICE TO TAKE  
DEPOSITIONS.

Saul Self

p. 4.

1903 hoc  
Executed by de-  
livering to Saul  
Self a true copy  
of the within  
notice.  
Done the 2 day of  
December 1903

R. C. Baldwin  
Supt  
F. J. Compton S. S. C.

The depositions of George Newberry and others taken before me, R. S. Meade a Commissioner in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Russell County, Va., in the Circuit Court's Clerks Office of Russell County Virginia, on this the        day of December 1903, to be read as evidence in the chancery cause of Eliza Self vs Samuel Self, which said suit is pending in the said Circuit Court of Russell County, Va., ~~per~~, pursuant to notice hereto attached.

Present-- B. T. Wilson of counsel for Complainant.

Thence came George Newberry, a witness of lawful age, who being by me first duly sworn deposes as follows:-

Q--- What is your age, residence and occupation?

A--- 30 years old, reside at Raven Va., and am a farmer.

Q--- Are you acquainted with Eliza Self and Samuel Self, the parties to this suit, if so how long have you known them, were they married, if so when and where,?

A--- I am acquainted with Eliza and Samuel Self, I have known him about four years and have known her about 8 years, they were married in Dickenson County, Virginia, about sixteen years ago, they lived together as man and wife about ten years and have been separated about six years.

Q-- Where did they last live together as man and wife?

A-- In Russell County, near Raven, Va.

Q-- Please state whether or not you know why they are not living together now as man and wife? *+ if he abandoned and deserted her and abandoned & deserted her.*

A-- He left her, about six years ago and has not lived with her since, he told me that he never would live with her again, he is now in Buchanan County Va. So far as I know he left her without any cause.

And further he saith not. *George C. Cochrum*

Larkin Cochrum, another witness of lawful age, being by me first duly sworn deposes as follows:-

Q-- Please state your age, residence and occupation?

A-- I am 29 years old, live near Raven, Russell County Va., am farmer.

Q--- Are you acquainted with the parties to this suit, if so how long

have you known them, and were they ever married, if so when and where?

A--- I am acquainted with the parties to this suit, have known him about 5 years and her about 8 years, they were married, in Dickenson County.

Q-- Where did they last live together as man and wife, are they living together now?

A-- They are not now living together as man and wife, they last lived together on Swords Creek, Russell County Va., near Raven.

Q-- Do you know why they are not now living together and if so why?

A-- He left her about six years ago and has not lived with her since,

Q-- Did you ever hear him say that he would not live with her any more?

A--- I did hear him say that he never intended to live with her any more.

And further he saith not.

*Larkin Cochran*

Virginia, Russell County, to-wit:

I, R. S. Meade, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Russell County do certify that the foregoing depositions of Geo. Newberry and others were this day taken, subscribed and sworn to before me in my County at the time and place as set forth in the caption hereto attached.

Given under my hand this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1903

*R. S. Meade Comm.  
in Chancery*

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Eliza Self  
10 1/2 Depositors  
Samuel Self

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1903 Dec 9<sup>th</sup>

Filed

R. S. Meade clerk

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The Commonwealth of Virginia, *Buchanan*

To the Sheriff of the County of ~~Russell~~, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

*Samuel Self*

to appear at the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Russell, at the rules to be held for the said court on the *3<sup>d</sup>* Monday in *October* 1903, to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against *him* in our said court by *Eliza Self*

And have then there this writ. Witness, R. S. MEADE, Clerk of our said court, at the court-house, the *23<sup>d</sup>* day of *September*, 1903, and in the 128 year of the Commonwealth.

*R. S. Meade*

Clerk.