

Civil Case: Charles Hower vs Dora Hower - divorce

Dora J. Hower	Summoned to answer to Charles J. H. Hower - complaint for divorce	Aug. 12, 1907
Charles J. H. Hower	Filed complaint for divorce	
David Gerber	Clerk	
Paul Baumgartner	Deputy	
Charles J. H. Hower	Plaintiff; Affidavit of residence of Adams County, Indiana	Sept. Term 1907
Dora J. Hower	Defendant	
P. H. Hennesey	Notary Public	
Charles J. H. Hower	Plaintiff	Sept. Term 1907
Dora J. Hower	Defendant; denies allegations in plaintiffs complaint for divorce	
Dora J. Hower	Oath: was married Nov. 1, 1902 Adams County, Indiana	
Avilla Hower	Daughter of Charles & Dora Hower; age 3 years	
Henrietta Hower	Daughter of Charles & Dora Hower; age 2 years	
Dora J. Hower	Oath: Charles has not provided for family for 2 years	
Dora J. Hower	Oath: Charles has mentally & physically abused Dora	
Dora J. Hower	Oath: July 22, 1907 they separated	
Dora J. Hower	Seeks divorce, custody of children and child support	
Charles J. H. Hower	Plaintiff; denies allegations of defendant's cross complaint	Sept. Term 1907
Dora J. Hower	Defendant	
Peterson & Moran	Attorneys for plaintiff	
Dora J. Hower	Summoned to answer to Charles J. H. Hower - complaint for divorce	Sept. 3, 1907
Charles J. H. Hower	Filed complaint for divorce	
David Gerber	Clerk	
Paul Baumgartner	Deputy	
Dora J. Hower	Summoned to answer to Charles J. H. Hower - complaint for divorce	Sept. 23, 1907
David Gerber	Clerk	
Paul Baumgartner	Deputy	

State of Indiana, Adams County, ss:

State of Indiana, to the Sheriff of Adams County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Dora J. Hower

to personally appear before the Judge of the Adams Circuit Court, on the 7th
day of October, 1907, the same being the 31st
judicial day of the September Term of said Court for the year 1907, at the
Court House, in the City of Decatur, in said county, to answer to the complaint of

Charles J. H. Hower
for Divorce

and of this summons make due service and return.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my
name, and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office, in
Decatur, this 23rd day of September, 1907

David Gerber Clerk.
By Paul Baumgartner Deputy.

State of Indiana, Adams County, ss:

State of Indiana, to the Sheriff of Adams County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

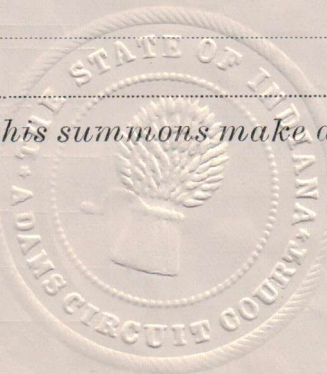
Dora J. Hower

to personally appear before the Judge of the Adams Circuit Court, on the *2nd*
day of *September*, 190*7*, the same being the *First*
judicial day of the *September* Term of said Court for the year 190*7*, at the
Court House, in the City of Decatur, in said county, to answer to the complaint of
Charles J. H. Hower
for divorce

and of this summons make due service and return.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my
name, and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office, in
Decatur, this *12th* day of *August*, 190*7*

David Ferber Clerk.
By *Paul Cunningham* Deputy.



State of Indiana (

Affidavit of Residence.

County of Adams)

ss

Charles J. H. Hower

vs

In the Adams Circuit Court

Dora J. Hower.

September Term 1907.

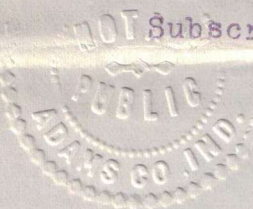
Charles J. H. Hower after being duly sworn according to law says he is the plaintiff in the above entitled cause, that he is a bone fide resident for more than two years last past of the State of Indiana, and for more than six months last past of Adams County Indiana, and that the above and foregoing complaint is true in substance and in fact, and that he is by occupation a laboring man.

Charles J. Hower.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of July 1907.

O. H. Hower
Notary Public.

my Com & apr 22. 1911



State of Indiana
Adams County

In the Adams Circuit
Court Sept Term 1907

Charles J M Hower

vs

Dora J. Hower

Comes now the Plaintiff
by Peterson & Moran his attorneys and
for his answer to defendants Cross Complaint
answers and says that he denies each
and every allegation contained therein

Peterson and Moran

Attorneys.

State of Indiana } In the Adams Circuit
Adams County } Court September Term 1907

Charles J. Hower

VS

Dora J. Hower

Comes now Dora J. Hower
and for her answer to plaintiffs Complaint she
Answers and says that she denies each and
every allegation therein contained

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The Defendant for her further answer to the
plaintiffs Complaint and by way of her Cross
Complaint she says that plaintiff and defendant
are now husband and wife that they were
legally married at Adams County Indiana on
the 1st day of November 1902. that as the fruits
of said marriage there was born to them
two children by name Avilla age 3 years
Keturra about 2 years old that both
of said children are now living and are
now with ~~pl~~ your petitioner and that the
plaintiff has failed for more than two years
to make reasonable provision for their comfort-
able support suitable to their station in life
and ~~your~~ Cross Complaint has been forced
to work for various and divers persons
to earn a livelihood for herself and children
and your Cross Complaint has often

been forced by hunger and want to go to her Mothers house and beg for help and that the plaintiff is a worthless lazy trifling man unwilling to work to support his family although able to do so that the plaintiff has been guilty of cruel and inhuman ^{and} treatment of your Cross Complainant, is possessed of a very jealous temper continually quarreling with Cross Complainant about other ladies and has repeatedly forbidden her to visit or associate with neighbor ladies and has often called your Cross Complainant vile and abhorrent names in the presence of other ladies and in their hearing often called her vile names to vile and indecent to be set out herein and has often struck beat and pulled Cross Complainants hair and at one time followed Cross Complainant to a neighbors house and forcibly dragged her home in a rude insolent and angry manner and when he had dragged her home he opened the door and kicked her into the house saying damn you go in there and that by reason of said cruel and inhuman treatment and other wanton hardships he has reaped upon her until the love and respect she once had for him has ceased and the love she once had for him has turned to hatred

for a long time cross complainant has tried to persuade and coax plaintiff to treat her as his wife and companion and it seemed that the more affection she showed for him the more cruel he would treat her and say to her take your clacks and leave as I do not want to live with you any more when on or about the 22nd day of July 1907 plaintiff and your Cross Complainant separated and have not lived or cohabited together since and are not now living or cohabiting together.

And that by reason of the wrongs herein set out cross complainant is entitled to a divorce from plaintiff.

And that plaintiff is a unfit person to have the care education of said children and that cross complainant is a fit person to have the care of said children.

Wherefore cross complainant now sues and demands judgment that she be granted a divorce on her cross complaint and that she be given the care education of said children and that plaintiff be required by order of this Court to pay to cross complainant Eight dollars per month for support of said children.

Lora J. Hower