

**IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL DISTRICT JUDGE AT TIRUVALLUR
PRESENT: Dr.J. JULIET PUSHPA, Ph.D.(Law)
Principal District Judge, Tiruvallur**

Monday, the 23rd day of March, 2026

Letter of Administration O.P.No.222/2025
(CNR No. TNTR010027022025)

In the matter of the estate of
the deceased **D. PAUL DANIEL**
(died on 19.05.2024)

Jehosheba Samuel Sukumar
W/o Samuel Sukumar

...Petitioner

//Versus//

NIL

Respondents

This petition coming for final hearing on 11.03.2026 in the presence of M/s N. Kalidoss, L. Senthil Kumar, S. Shyamkuma, R. Arunkumar. K.M. Prakash, learned counsel for the Petitioner, Paper Publication and General Publication being effected, no objectors and upon perusing the entire case records, this Court delivers the following:-

ORDER

Petition filed by the petitioner under section 219 and 276 of Indian Succession Act 1925 seeking to grant letters of administration to the properties and credits of deceased D. Paul Daniel (died on 19.05.2024) to have the effect throughout the state of Tamil Nadu.

2. The averments in the Petition filed by the Petitioner is as follows:-

According to the petitioner, on D. Paul Daniel, S/o S.M. Daniel, is the absolute owner off the immovable property as described in the Petition Schedule Item No.1 which was purchased from Tamil Nadu Housing Board by way of registered sale deed dt.04.08.1995 under Doc.No.2845/1995 on the file of SRO, Villivakkam and he was in possession and enjoyment of the said property by paying property tax, water and sewage tax, electricity was also mutated in his name. Further, D. Paul Daniel had savings bank account with Indian Bank as described in Item No.2 of the schedule to the petition. The said D. Paul Daniel was residing at Door No.82/12, AP Sector 7th street, Anna Nagar west extension, Chennai-101 till his death. While so, the said D. Paul Daniel died intestate on 19.05.2024. His wife Krupamma Daniel predeceased him on 17.01.1984. The said D. Paul Daniel and his wife Krupamma had no issues. The parents of the said D. Paul Daniel namely S.M. Daniel and Deva Kirubai predeceased him long ago. One of his sister F.D. Williams died intestate on 10.06.2022 leaving the petitioner as her sole legal heir. His brother Earnest Daniel died on 03.02.2010 and his wife Saramma predeceased him on 12.12.1998 without any issues. The another sister of D. Paul Daniel namely D. Hepzibah predeceased him on 11.04.2024 unmarried. The petitioner, being the daughter of the sister of deceased D. Paul Daniel is his only surviving legal heir. As such, she is entitled to the properties and credit left by the said D. Paul Daniel. Hence, prayed to grant letter of administration in respect of petition schedule property belonging to the estate of the deceased

D. Paul Daniel.

3. General notice about the petition was widely informed to the public through court notice board, beat of *tom tom* and paper publication in one issue of Tamil Daily. There was no objectors.

4. To prove the claim of the petitioner, she has examined herself as PW1 Ex.P1 to Ex.P20 were marked.

5. Now, the Points for consideration are,

1. Whether the petitioners are entitled to the Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of the deceased D. Pauldaniel (died on 19.05.2024 in favour of the petitioner as prayed for?

2. Whether this petition is to be allowed ?

6. ON POINTS:

Heard the argument of the petitioner and perused the records.

This petition is filed seeking letter of Administration of the petition schedule properties in favour of petitioners in respect of the properties of the deceased D. Paul Daniel, who died on 19.05.2024 .

7. To prove the case of the petitioners, petitioner has examined herself as PW1. The petitioner is the daughter of the sister of the deceased D. Paul Daniel. The petition schedule Item No.1 was purchased by the said D. Paul Daniel by way of registered sale deed dt.04.08.1995 under Doc.No.2845/1995 on the file of SRO,

Villivakkam, which is evident from **Ex.P1**, copy of the sale deed. He was in possession of the said property which are evident from **Ex.P15**, copy of property tax demand notice, **Ex.P16**, the property tax receipt dated 11.08.2019 in the name of D. Paul Daniel, **Ex.P17**, copy of water supply and sewage tax demand notice and **Ex.P18**, water tax receipt dated 16.11.2024 in the name of D. Paul Daniel.

8. The said D. Paul Daniel died intestate on 19.05.2024. It is evident from his death certificate , **Ex.P5**. Copies of his aadhar card and family card are **Ex.P2** and **Ex.P3** . His wife Krupamma Daniel predeceased him on 17.01.1984, which is evident from her death certificate, **Ex.P6**. The petitioner states that D. Paul Daniel and his wife had no issues. As far his siblings are concerned, D. Paul Daniel had one brother and two sisters. One of his sister F.D. Williams died on 10.06.2022 leaving the petitioner as her sole legal heir, which are evident from her death certificate, **Ex.P7** and legal heir certificate, **Ex.P8**. His brother Earnest Daniel died on 03.02.2010 and his wife Saramma predeceased him on 12.12.1998 without any issues. It is evident from their death certificates, **Ex.P9** and **Ex.P10** respectively. His another sister D. Hepzibah predeceased him on 11.04.2024 unmarried, which is evident from her death certificate, **Ex.P11**. The mother of D. Paul Daniel namely, Deva Kirubai also predeceased him, which is evident from her death certificate, **Ex.P12**. The deceased D. Paul Daniel was also having savings bank account in Indian Bank, Anna Nagar west extension branch, which is evident from **Ex.P13**, copy of the bank pass book in his name. The encumbrance certificate and guideline value of

the petition schedule property are marked as **Ex.P19** and **Ex.P20** respectively.

9. From the above said documents, it is proved that the deceased D. Paul Daniel is the brother of petitioner's mother and all the siblings of the deceased D. Paul Daniel are died and his mother also predeceased him and the petitioner is the only surviving legal heir of D. Paul Daniel. From the above said documents, it is also proved that the petition schedule properties, i.e. land and bank account belongs to deceased D. Paul Daniel and the petitioner is the only legal heir of the deceased D. Paul Daniel, who died intestate. Even on perusal of Ex.P3 the family card of D. Paul Daniel, the petitioner is shown as the only member.

10. Admittedly, the petitioner claim administration of the petition schedule property, estate and credits as the surviving legal heir of the deceased D. Paul Daniel, specifically concerned about the immovable property and also assets by way of investment in banks. The petitioner undertakes to provide full and true inventory thereof and to exhibit the same before this court within six months from the date of the letter of administration.

11. There are no objectors either with regard to the relationship of the deceased D. Paul Daniel or with regard to administration of the petition schedule properties of the deceased by the petitioner. Therefore, the petitioner has proved that the petitioner is entitled to administer the petition schedule properties which were left by the deceased D. Paul Daniel having the petitioner as his only surviving legal heir. As such, the petitioner are entitled to the relief of letters of administration of the petition schedule properties as prayed for and the points are

answered accordingly.

In the result, this petition is allowed granting Letter of Administration of the petition schedule properties belonging to deceased D. Paul Daniel S/o S.M. Daniel (died on 19.05.2024) in the name of petitioner. The petitioner is directed to file inventory list and accounts within six months from the date of this order.

Dictated to the Steno-Typist, transcribed by him, corrected and pronounced by me in the Open Court, on this the 23rd day of March, 2026.

**PRINCIPAL DISTRICT JUDGE,
TIRUVALLUR**

Annexures:

1. List of Witnesses examined on the side of the Petitioner:-

P.W.1 – Mrs. Jehosheba Samuel Sukumar, (petitioner)

2. List of Exhibits marked on the side of the Petitioner:-

Ex-P1	04.08.1995	Copy of registered sale deed under Doc.No.2845/1995 in the name of D. Pauldaniel
Ex-P2		Copy of aadhar card of D. Pauldaniel (compared with original)
Ex-P3		Copy of family card of D. Pauldaniel (compared with original)
Ex.P4		Copy of the pension passbook of D. Pauldaniel (compared with original)
Ex.P5	29.05.2024	Death certificate of D. Paul Daniel

Ex.P6	19.03.2025	Death certificate of Krupamma Daniel
Ex.P7	21.06.2022	Death certificate of F.D. Williams
Ex.P8	17.07.2022	Legal heir certificate of F.D. Williams
Ex.P9	19.03.2025	Death certificate of Earnest Daniel
Ex.P10	19.03.2025	Death certificate of Saramma
Ex.P11	08.05.2024	Death certificate of D. Hepzibah
Ex.P12	19.03.2025	Death certificate of Deva Kirubai
Ex.P13		Copy of savings bank account pass book of D. Pauldaniel in Indian Bank, Anna Nagar west extension branch (compared with original)
Ex.P14		Copy of aadhar card of petitioner Jehosheba Samuel Sukumar(compared with original)
Ex.P15		Copy of property tax demand card (compared with original)
Ex.P16	11.08.2019	Property tax receipt in the name of D. Pauldaniel
Ex.P17		copy of water supply and sewage tax demand card (compared with original)
Ex.P18	16.11.2024	Water tax receipt in the name of D. Pauldaniel.
Ex.P19	12.03.2025	Encumbrance certificate of the petition schedule property
Ex.P20	19.03.2025	Guideline value of the petition schedule property

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