

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD
R/CRIMINAL MISC.APPLICATION (FOR QUASHING & SET ASIDE
FIR/ORDER) NO. 16369 of 2024**

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BHADRESH HASMUKHLAL SHAH & ORS.
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ANR.

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Appearance:

BHAUMIK H SHAH(8188) for the Applicant(s) No. 1,2,3
MS. SNEHAL C RATHVA(14658) for the Applicant(s) No. 1,2,3
MR RONAK RAVAL APP for the Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NIRZAR S. DESAI

Date : 01/08/2025

ORAL ORDER

1. Learned advocate for the petitioners submitted that the present petitioners happen to be the uncle-in-laws and aunt-in-laws of the complainant, whereas the husband, father-in-law, and mother-in-law of the complainant have been acquitted by the 16th Learned Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Vadodara, vide order dated 01.05.2023 in Criminal Case No. 8348/2022. Therefore, when the main accused have already been acquitted, the present applicants are also required to be protected, as the evidence pertaining to the offence in question under Section 498A of the IPC would be the same.

2. In view of above submissions, **issue notice to the respondents returnable on 04.09.2025.** Learned Additional Public Prosecutor waives service of notice on behalf of respondent No.1 – State. Direct service to respondent No.2 through concerned Police Station is permitted.

In the meantime, there shall be ad-interim relief in terms of paragraph 16 (B) qua the applicants.

(NIRZAR S. DESAI,J)

BHAVIN MEHTA