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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION

MISCELLANEOUS PETITION (L) NO. 16590 OF 2026

Liberata Zuzarte alias Liberata Eleutherio
Zuzarte .. Deceased

May John Vaz and Ors. .. Petitioners

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- Ms. Aditi Jagtap i/b Mr. Smit Nagda, Advocates for Petitioners.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : MAY 07, 2026

P.C.:

1. Not on Board. Mentioned by way of filing praecipe dated 07.05.2026. Perused the praecipe.

2. Heard Ms. Jagtap, learned Advocate for Petitioners.

3. Present Misc. Petition is filed by Petitioners for issuance of legal heirship certificate under Section 2 of Bombay Regulation VIII of 1827 in respect of the properties and credits of deceased Liberata Zuzarte alias Liberata Eleutherio Zuzarte. The names and details of legal heirs of the deceased are stated in paragraph No.4 of the Petition. Purpose for filing the present Petition is stated in paragraph No.9 of the Petition. I have perused the same.

4. Consent affidavits dated 18.03.2026, 09.03.2026, 24.02.2026 and 16.03.2026 of Hazel D'Souza, Anna Suzanna



Coutinho, Angeline Victor Telles, Thereza Shirley Jagdanic, Jane Kevin Alphonso and Gerald Anastasio Castellino, the legal heirs are filed on record and appended at page Nos. 37, 40, 43, 46, 49 and 52 of Petition.

5. In view of the above, there can be no impediment in allowing the Petition. Misc. Petition is allowed and disposed of in terms of prayer clause 'a' which read thus:-

“a) This Hon’ble Court be pleased to issue a Legal Heirship Certificate to the Petitioners under the provisions of Bombay Regulation VIII of 1827 certifying that the Petitioners viz. (i) May John Vaz, (ii) Jennifer Elvis Brickly, (iii) Allwyn Daniel Jagdale, (iv) Lorraine Frank Coutinho, (v) Veronica Sebastian Fernandes and (vi) Joan Fernandes along with all others heirs mentioned above in table in Para No. 4 viz (vii) Hazel D’Souza, (viii) Anna Suzanna Coutinho, (ix) Angeline Victor Telles, (x) Thereza Shirley Jagdanic, (xi) Gerald Anastasio Castellino and (xii) Jane Kevin Alphonso are the only heirs and legal representatives of the said deceased;”

6. Issuance of proclamation stands dispensed with.

7. Department is directed to issue the legal heirship certificate as directed above within a period of 3 weeks from today positively.

8. Misc. Petition is allowed and disposed subject to compliance of office objections, if any, forthwith which shall be allowed by the Department. It is clarified that the 3 week period shall start from the date of removal of office objections.

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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