

BEFORE THE ADDITIONAL MASTER-III
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.
T.O.S.No. 94 OF 2013

Date: 19.02.2025

Time: 12.15 P.M.

Name : Mr. K.V.Prakash (PW2)

Continuation of Chief Examination by Mr.Srikrishna Bhagavat for M/s.P.Subba Reddy, Learned counsel for the Plaintiff.

Solemnly Affirmed:

Q28: You have stated that Mr.Y.Ranganathan is son-in-law of Mr.Ramachandran your senior colleague in profession, were you working along with Mr.Ramachandran in the same office?

A: we were working under Mr.T.Ramaprasath Rao, of M/S.John & Rao Advocates.

Q29: How many years were you working in the same office?

A: Till Mr.T.Ramaprasatha Rao was elevated as a Judge of Hon'ble Madras High Court. Thereafter one of his Junior Mr.G.Narayanan setup a separate office and both of us shifted to that office. Mr.Ramachandran was working along with me till his death.

Q30: How many years you have you been associated with Mr.N.D.Bahety Advocate in the profession?

A: I was not associated with Mr.N.D.Bahety Advocates in the profession.

Q31: How was your relationship with Mr.N.D.Bahety out side the profession?

A: I don't have any relationship with Mr.N.D.Bahety.

Q32: Having known Mr.Ramachandran for several years, is it correct that you were aware of all his family members ?

A: No. He was associated to me only in the profession.

Q33: Can you confirm that the party to the present proceedings are children of Mr.Ramachandran?

A: I do not know.

Q34: Is it your stand that you have come before this court even not being aware of the parties to the proceedings?

A: I don't have any stand in this case because I have received subpoena summons and I came to this court to depose evidence.

Q35: You have stated that you were handling some cases for Mr.Y.Ranganathan, How many cases of Mr.Y.Ranganathan you have handled?

A: I do not remember.

Q36: Can you tell the court atleast the period in which you handled the cases of Mr.Y.Ranganathan?

A: I do not remember the period exactly.

Q37: Is it correct that Mr.Y.Ranganathan was in the habit of taking legal advise from you?

A: Whenever he comes to me for advise, I used to give it.

Q38: I put it to you that Mr.Y.Ranganathan was the original petitioner in O.P.No.85/2013 (now it is converted into TOS.94/2013) ?

A: I don't Know.

Q39: I put it to you that Mrs.Chengavalli Thayarammal is the Mother-in-law of Mr.Ramachandran ?

A: I don't Know.

Q40: Clean copy of the original petition in 85/2013 is shown to the witness. Is it correct that respondents mentioned herein are the children of Mr.Ramachandran?

A: I don't know about of the children of Mr.Ramachandran.

Q41: You have stated that the affidavit of the attesting witness was a draft prepared by you. What prompted you to prepare the same?

A: I do not remember. Witness adds: I already stated it was only a draft with number of corrections unsigned and I do not remember how it came.

Q42:I put it to you that you seem to not remember certain aspects of the execution of the Will, the affidavit of the attesting witness only because of long passage of time?

A: It is not so. I have not attested any Will that too in an unknown language with thumb impression.

Q43: I put it to you that you have complete knowledge of the execution of Will?

A: I deny.

Q44: I put it to you that for reasons best known to you, are deposing false evidence before this court?

A: I deny. Witness adds: I strongly oppose the insunation made against me.

Cross Examination by Mr.Siddarth Bahety, Learned counsel for D1 to D3.

Q1: (Ex.P8 is shown to witness) With regard to Ex.P8 the settlement deed prepared by you were you shown the adoption deed by Ranganathan in favour of Sandhya Sailesh?

A: I do not remember whether adoption deed was shown to me or not.

Q2: (Ex.P8 is shown to witness) Is it correct to state that only on the instructions given by Y.Ranganathan you prepared this Settlement deed ?

A: Yes. Witness adds: I have prepared this settlement deed as per the instructions of Y.Ranganathan.

Q3: (Ex.P1 Will is shown to witness) This is the Will filed and marked as Ex.P1 in this case have you signed in this document?

A: I don't think that I have signed in this document.

Q4: Where you present in the house of Chengavalli Thayarammal on 01.05.1971 when this alleged Will was executed ?

A: I don't know Chengavalli Thayarammal I was not present in her house on 01.05.1971 at any point of time.

Re- examination

Q1: On 07.01.2025 you deposed that the 2nd attesting witness signature look like yours for answer to the Question No.16. Is it correct?

A:I have only said that the signature looks like me and further I stated I never attested as a witness in any Will or document.

Time: 01.12 P.M.

Taken down in open Court, read over and explained to the witness and the same is admitted by the witness to be correct and signed before me.

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