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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT AT GUWAHATI (THE HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH

NOTIFICATION

No.HC.XI-02/2014/119/RC, the 2nd April, 2014. Hon'ble the Gauhati High Court has been pleased to amend Chapter XIV, Schedule-D, Rule 3, Rules regarding Advocates' Licenced Clerk, other than Articled Clerk, in the following manner, with immediate effect.

- Sub-Rule 2 shall be amended as follows: The Licensing Authority shall be the Registrar General, hereinafter the licensing authority, who shall maintain a register, in form No. 15 (Civil), appendix 1 of all Licenced Clerks of Advocates.
- Sub-Rule 3 shall be amended as follows: After the words "following particulars", the following sub-rule shall be inserted: The minimum qualification for enrolment as an Advocate Clerk he/she shall be higher secondary passed, from any recognised Council/University.

The existing Rule (i) and (ii) shall be re-numbered as (ii) and (iii). Thereafter another Rule shall be inserted, which is as follows:

A person applying for Advocate's Clerk's License shall submit an affidavit declaring as to whether any criminal case/proceeding is pending against him.

3. The existing Rule 4 shall be amended by inserting the following, after the word "Licensing Authority": "Licensing Authority":

"..shall constitute a Committee with one of the Registrars as the President/Chairman.

The Committee shall take the viva-voce of the aspirant applicants who apply for fresh License for Advocate's Clerk to assess their suitability. The Committee shall prepare a list of suitable applicants on the basis of the performance of viva-voce. The Committee thereafter shall submit the list to the licensing authority for issuance of license as per the list.

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The Committee shall verify the certificates relating to educational qualifications, proof of permanent residence, character certificate, etc."

4. The existing Rule 5 shall be amended by inserting the following, after the word "valid":
"...only for 3 years and shall be renewed after submission of performance certificate by the concerned Advocate with whom the Advocate Clerk works."

The words "for which it is granted" shall be deleted.

- 5. The existing Rule 6 shall be deleted.
- After Rule 13, the following Rule shall be inserted: Every Licenced Clerk shall wear the uniform prescribed by the Licensing Authority and shall carry their identity card.

By Order M.K. Bhattacharjee REGISTRAR GENERAL