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## Revision of the Constitution

### A Layman's Point of View

By S. Subramaniam

(Retired Principal)

#### Need for Revision

A Select Committee of both Houses of Parliament has been recently appointed by the National Government of Ceylon to revise the Constitution with a view to (1) making Ceylon a republic, (2) inserting a chapter on Fundamental Rights, (3) considering the reform of the Senate, (4) considering the position of the Appointed Members, (5) considering the reconstitution of the P. S. C. and the J. S. C.

The Opposition Members have declined to serve in the Committee as they want a more radical change apparently with a view (1) making Ceylon a republic outside the British Commonwealth of Nations, (2) abolishing Section 29 of Ceylon (Constitution) Order-in-Council of 1946, (3) making Buddhism the State Religion of Ceylon, as the trend of their speeches in Parliament shows. The Leaders of the Opposition are of opinion that the Sovereignty of the Ceylon Parliament is limited unlike that of Great Britain, as the Ceylon Constitution was brought into being by the Independence Act of 1947 and the various Orders-in-Council promulgated on different dates in 1946 and 1947. Lately the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, a piece of retroactive legislation passed by the Ceylon Parliament, has been declared unconstitutional by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. This must have opened the eyes of Ceylonese politicians, both in the ranks of the Government and the Opposition. Probably the Opposition leaders want an entirely new Constitution to be drawn by a Constituent Assembly elected by the Ceylonese people, as in India.

#### The Existing Constitution

The Soulbury Commission which examined the proposals for Constitutional Reform in Ceylon recommended the Cabinet System of Government after the British Pattern. Among other things it anticipated (1) The development of a party system founded on sound political and economic principles, and not on sectarian or communal considerations. (2) The growth of healthy conventions, leading to the harmonious co-operation of various communities.

The Constitution has operated for 20 years. Six general elections have been held and various party combinations have been tried. We have been going further and further away from the goal of democratic socialism set in view. Language and religion have been brought to the forefront by communal parties just to rouse the emotions of the masses and to secure their votes thereby. The present Constitution has not been found wanting, but the people who worked it have brought discredit upon it. We have got the substance of Independence and it is our duty, particularly that of leaders of political parties, to make the best use of it. Playing to the gallery serves no useful purpose. "However good a constitution may be" observed Dr Ambedkar, "it is sure to turn out bad because those who are called to work it happen to be a bad lot.....If the parties place creed above country our independence will be put in jeopardy a second time and probably lost for ever. This eventually we must resolutely guard against. We must be determined to defend our independ-

ence to the last drop of our blood."

#### Economic Development And Constitutional Reform

Everyone has to admit that the standard of living should be raised and the cost of living brought down as early as possible. Production of consumable goods should be increased and luxuries cut down to the minimum. Work should be found for able bodied people. The deterioration of the national economy should be rapidly arrested. Any revision of the constitution should tend towards the economic prosperity of the country. It should not lead to inter-communal dissensions, suspicion and distrust of which we have had enough. One may even suspect that this question has been brought to the forefront just to distract the attention of the people from problems which demand an urgent solution at the moment.

#### Three Alternatives

(1) Ceylon can transform herself into a republic outside the British Commonwealth of Nations like the Irish Free State or Burma.

(2) Ceylon can adopt a republican constitution, and yet remain within the British Commonwealth of Nations like India.

(3) Ceylon can remain a full-fledged dominion within the British Commonwealth, making such changes as are found necessary in the light of past experience.

(1) Ceylon is a small country occupying a strategic position in the Indian Ocean. In the event of a World War between two power blocs Ceylon will be useful as a naval and air base. As an independent country outside the Commonwealth she cannot stand alone in a world of conflicting ideologies. She has to make her own alliances as a neutral country, she may even become a member of a regional federation, probably consisting of India,

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#### Letters to the Editor

### WHO ARE THE JAFFNA TAMILS ? WHAT IS THESAVALAMAI ?

Sir,—With reference to Mr. C. Nagalingam's letter of 24th instant which appears in your paper of 26th inst., I would request Mr. Nagalingam to refer to a good Tamil Dictionary. Mine is the abridged one by the Saiva Siddhanta Nool Pathippuk Kalagam. This Dictionary defines Pallar as ulavar, tillers. It defines Palli as Vannian and Kurumban and Pallavam as a country.

Mr. Nagalingam has quoted in this connection an old couplet current at Tondaimanar. This is current in Valigamam as follows:—

Pal muththip Padai-  
adchy.  
Padaiadchy muththik  
Kavundan  
Kavundan muththi  
Vanniyan  
Vanniyan muththi  
Vellalan.

There is no class called Kavundan in Jaffna but the other classes referred to are there. This saying may have come from India or may be one of our own old sayings. This is the authority for the statement made in the second part of my letter.

The ancient Tamils gave names to the classes according to the places where they lived or the work they performed. They called the people who lived on the coast Karaiyar. This class when it became rich and powerful called itself Kowravas and claimed descent from Kuru of the Mahabharatha. Similarly those who cultivated 'Pallams' for the Vellalas were Pallar. The word Palli is a more dignified form of Palla. This is understandable because Palli is a higher edition of the Palla. The Pallas came to Ceylon mostly with the Vellala Chiefs and the Vanniya who came periodically to assist in the stabilisation of the Administration. When the Jaffna Kings needed men and material to fight an enemy or in subordination Chiefs, the Vellalas including the Malawas, the Karavas, the Ivuli-

Marawas (Cavalry) the Marawas (Infantry) the Vanniya and the Pallas and other classes rallied round them.

Fifty or sixty years ago we could see the Pallas, tall men with their helmets of ola and cloth tucked up walking through the village with their knives to palmyrah groves to tap trees for sweet and fermented toddy. They had a war-like appearance.

The words Palli and Pallavas have a similarity of sound but the Pallavas came from the eastern coast of India. They ruled over an extensive kingdom on the eastern coast for several centuries. Their supremacy in S. India began to decline with the ascendancy of the Cholas.

However, Ugra Singan, a Prince of the dynasty founded by King Vijaya's brother made a descent on Ceylon with a big force and after a severe struggle took possession of the Northern Kingdom. He ruled this Kingdom from Kadimalai. Ugra Singan married a Cholian Princess who had come to Keerimalai on pilgrimage and helped her to complete the Maviddapuram Temple commenced by Maruthappiraviha Valli, the Cholian Princess. It would appear from Rajanayaga Mudaliyar's 'Ancient Jaffna' that he subsequently shifted his capital to Singai Nagar. For further information re the Pallavas, please refer to this excellent book.

In my previous letter, Toronian should be Turanian, Saivitic should be Semitic and 'Geaps' in para 5 of my letter should read 'people'. In para 8 after 'other parts' the word 'Marawas' should be altered to 'Malawas' who settled in Puttur and round about. The great Navalur belonged to this clan. The late Malavayer of Puttur is another.

Yours etc.

V. Sri Ranganathan





தமிழகத்திலே நூற்றுக்கணக்கான  
பெரிய பெரிய நூல்கள் விநியோகம்  
செய்து வருகிறது. நூல்கள் தேர்ந்தெடுக்க  
பெறப்பட்டு வருகிறது.

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## ADMISSIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY

As many as eight thousand candidates are reported to have obtained passes in the requisite subjects at the recently held G. C. E. Advanced Level Examination entitling them to gain admission to the Universities in Peradeniya and Colombo. But the fact remains that only fifty per centum of this number would be able to find accommodation in the Universities as at present constituted. The problem of space for students to assemble and listen to lectures, let alone the need for residence, has become worse than in previous years. Yet the Minister of Education and the National Council on Higher Education do not seem to have attempted to solve the pressing question in any reasonably sufficient manner.

In this connection we have often urged the claims of provincial capitals such as Jaffna and Galle, for considering the establishing of Campuses in buildings that have been always available. The Ramanathan Trust is there to help the Minister clear the confusing situation of congestion in the University of Ceylon and the Vidyalankara and Vidyodya Universities. There are other Trusts—the Navalar Trust, the Malavarayar Trust, to mention the most note-worthy, with ample resources and ready by available lands and buildings for a University to be started.

The Minister of Education and the Chairman of the National Council on Education on their visits to the North had been sufficiently acquainted with the facts about the availability of large acreage of land and extensive buildings for immediate use as University Halls of Learning. Why this readiness of the

people to help the Government satisfactorily solve a complicated problem is being overlooked is really inexplicable.

The worth of a qualifying examination will be reduced to whimsical farce if all those who by sheer merit secure the passport to University Education are not allowed to avail themselves of the fruits of their hard-won achievement. The blame for this blank indifference must be assigned to the Ministry and the National Council on Education.

## Co-operative Hospitals

The extension of the Tellippalai Co-operative Hospital with the strengthening of the Medical Staff and the opening of a fully equipped maternity section speak well for the energetic efforts of the Committee of Management. Undisturbed by the shifting of the Kankasanturai Civil Hospital to a site that is but within calling distance of the Co-operative Establishment, the Members of the Committee have launched on a very ambitious but useful venture of ensuring proper and efficient medical attention to the people of the area on the world-reputed background of co-operative undertaking. Though it is difficult to persuade patients to seek medical attention on payment where free treatment is available only next door, yet the two Hospitals can well exist one with the other both functioning separately for the welfare of the people. The great rush for medical treatment at Hospitals itself suggests that more medical establishments are imperatively needed.

In the Jaffna Peninsula the demand for medical treatment at the Jaffna Civil Hospital and the other Hospitals both Government and private including the Co-operative Hospitals is becoming a very serious problem. Hence the need for better and more Co-operative Hospitals that can supplement the resources of available medical relief.

The Co-operative Hospitals belong to a special category of Medical Services and therefore require exclusive attention of the people and the Government.

## Revision of the Constitution

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Burma and Malaya. An alliance with backward countries ill-equipped with armies, navies and air forces will serve no useful purpose in times of war. All these neutral countries will be reduced to subjection within a few months by an advancing military power like China. Considering all sides of the question, Britain will be the most helpful and the least harmful of our allies in times of war. She never interfered nor is she ever likely to interfere, with the policy of non-alignment followed by India and Ceylon, though these two are members of the Commonwealth. Even when Ceylon wanted the naval and air bases in Trincomalee and Katunayake to be removed, she did so without any demur. The removal of these was in itself an act of unwise statesmanship. An elder statesman like the late Mr D. S. Senanayake was of opinion that these bases would be useful from the point of Ceylon's defence. One can imagine the service rendered by the British Navy and Air Force when Ceylon was invaded by Japan during World War 2. Though Ceylon enjoys a civilian status at present, her position in times of war will be a precarious one if she severs her connection with the British Commonwealth. (2) Ceylon can become a republic, and yet remain within the British Commonwealth. The right of appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council will be abolished when Ceylon becomes a Republic, and thus we lose the services of eminent jurists of international fame. We have seen several judgments of the Ceylon Supreme Court being reversed by the Privy Council. Lately the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act passed by the Ceylon Legislature has been declared illegal. Thus the Appeal to the Privy Council becomes the last citadel of defence of the rule of Law and the rights of the individual citizen. In a small country like Ceylon where there is a tendency for the Executive and the Legislature to interfere with the freedom of the judiciary, where there is an inclination to pass laws which are unconstitutional, where the judges, the accused and defendants are likely to be

known to each other, where political parties and their alignments are known to the average citizen the right to appeal to the Privy Council becomes a sine qua non for the proper administration of justice and its abolition cannot be regarded as a gain by the individual citizen. (3) third alternative for Ceylon is to maintain its present status as a full-fledged dominion like Canada or Australia. The British Commonwealth of Nations comprising one fifth of the world's population and speaking many languages and professing different faiths, welded together by ideals of Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity and devoted to economic and social emancipation by common endeavour and mutual aid, is one of the grandest achievements of the human race. This legacy which we have inherited, though lately should be preserved for all ages and transmitted to the generations yet unborn in the interest of world peace and unity.

## Fundamental Rights

Any revised constitution should embody a chapter on Fundamental Rights. The following rights may be regarded as fundamental:—

- 1 Equality of all citizens before Law.
- 2 Rule of Law.
- 3 Right to Freedom of Religion, and impartial treatment of all religions.
- 4 Protection of life and Personal Property
- 5 Right to ownership of property (subject to certain limitations)
- 6 Cultural (including Languages) and Educational rights.
- 7 Freedom of Speech, Assembly, Movement Profession etc.
- 8 Freedom of the Press from State Control.
- 9 Abolition of Social and Economic Inequalities (including Social and Economic upliftment of Backward Communities)
- 10 Right to Constitutional Remedies.

Dr. Ambedkar, the Chairman of the Committee which drafted the Indian Constitution, stated that the provision on constitutional remedies is the "heart and soul" of the constitution. Rights have no meaning unless they are enforced and safeguarded by constitutional methods. To this

## Moving Towards Middle-East

The Secretary-General of the U. N. has repeatedly warned the Big Powers that the tension in South-East Asia must be resolved if humanity has to be saved from utter disintegration. Even before the leading Nations could think of a way out of this impending threat, the Arab States and Israel have indicated that clash of arms might be inevitable in the Middle East. Here again the Big Powers have an abiding interest. Even though the smaller states quarrel among themselves for rights and privileges, the Big Powers find it difficult to remove themselves from the scene of struggle. In effect the entire problem appears to be one that is entirely a major question of prestige and power for the Big Powers, the U. S. A. the U. S. S. R. the U. K. France and China. Hence the fate of the world hangs on the whims and fancies of the Nations that contend for supremacy and singular leadership.

The Middle-East as it first appears is a region where the Arab States and the State of Israel exist with many a grievance that must be redressed. But on further scrutiny of facts and deeper study of the situation one finds that these grievances have been created by the foreign powers that have for centuries used the Middle East as strategic points of vantage for developing their international over-lordship. Hence the onus of clearing the clouds of war is with the Big Powers.

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and the Supreme Court is given general powers to safeguard the rights as well as to propose remedies

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## Astrological

## WEEKLY FORECASTS

SRIPATHY

FROM 4 - 6 - 67 to 10 - 6 - 67

**ARIES** Aswini, Barsni, Kartikai 1st part [Meda Rasi]

You will have to face some disappointments this week. Health will continue to be unsatisfactory. But ruin to enemies shown. Fame and social success promised.

**TAURUS** Kartika 2, 3, 4 Rohini, Mirugasirisha, 1, 2, [Idapa Rasi]

Health a problem abdominal complaints and chest pains likely. You will be quick to pick up quarrels. Old investments will bring in good results.

**GEMINI** Mirugasirisha 3, 4 Thiruvathirai, Punarpusam 1, 2, 3 [Mithuna Rasi]

Work will be heavier than usual and you will not be sufficiently compensated. New ventures will be delayed. Domestic harmony will prevail.

**CANCER** Penarpoosa 4, Poo-sa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

Financially a good week. Gains through landed properties likely. Health will be far from satisfactory. Expenses will soar.

**LEO** Maha, Poor, Uttira 1, [Singha Rasi]

Things will be delayed unnecessarily. You will be quick to pick up quarrels. Troubles in the office shown. There will be no peace of mind.

**VIRGO** Uttira 2, 3, 4, Atta Chittirai 1, 2 [Kanni Rasi]

An unsettled week. Domestic worries shown. Spend Sunday, Monday and Tuesday morning with care. Rest of the week will be fairly favourable. Financially a good week.

**LIBRA** Chittirai 3, 4, Swat-Visaka 1, 2, 3, [Thula Rasi]

Things will be delayed unnecessarily. Health will suffer. You will have to work hard for your success. Financially a good week. Spend Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday and Thursday with care.

**SCORPION** Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

Quarrels and misunderstandings with friends likely. Financially a good week. Domestic harmony will prevail. Spend Friday and Saturday with care.

**SAGITTARIUS** Moolam, Pooradam, Uttiradam 1 [Thaan Rasi]

Domestic worries shown. Clashes with relatives likely. Work will be heavy. But you will not be sufficiently compensated.

**CAPRICORNUS** Uttiradam 2, 3, 4, Thiruvonam, Avittam 1, 2 [Makara Rasi]

You will be quick to pick up quarrels. Domestic worries shown. Financially a good week. Troubles through secret enemies likely.

**AQUARIUS** Avittam 3, 4 Satayam, Pooraddati, 1, 2, 3 [Kumbha Rasi]

Health a problem. Expenses will soar but you will get enough to meet them. Domestic worries shown. Friends will help you out of difficulties.

**PISCES** Pooraddati 4, Uttiraddati, Revati [Meena Rasi]

Professional success promised. Friends will be helpful. Subordinates will cooperate much. Financially a good week. But health upsets shown.

## ORDER ABSOLUTE IN THE FIRST INSTANCE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 2009

In the matter of the Last Will of the late Kanapathipillai Ramalingam of Puloly West Point Pedro.

Thiagarajah Vijayarathnam of Puloly West, Point Pedro.

Petitioner  
This matter coming on for disposal before N. M. J. Rajendram Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 19th day of February 1967 in the presence of Mr. S. Soorasangaram Advocate instructed by Mr. M. Eurapadham Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and on

reading the Petition and affidavit of the Petitioner along with Last Will No. 14387 dated 7-7-1963 attested by V. K. Subramaniam N. P. and now deposited in this court and the affidavit of the Notary who attested that Will and the attesting witnesses there-to.

It is ordered that the said Last Will be declared proved as the Last Will of the abovenamed deceased, that the Petitioner be declared the executor thereof and that Probate thereof be issued to the petitioner on his filing Oath of Office on his payment of Estate Duty and on his giving security if so required to do so by this court.

This 19th day of February 1967.

Sgd. G. O. Niles  
District Judge, Jaffna

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## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1993

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Annie Victoria Puvirajasinghe of 79 Main Street, Jaffna.

Deceased  
Dr. St. John Puvirajasinghe of 145, Main Street, Jaffna  
Vs. Petitioner  
U. St. J. Puvirajasinghe of Station Road, Watta Colombo.

Respondent  
This action coming on for disposal before L. S. Bartlett Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 14th day of December 1966 in the presence of Mr. W. B. Canagaratne Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner and of the witnesses and Notary to Last Will having been read.

It is ordered that the Last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased dated 7th March 1964 and attested by P. Ariyanayakam Notary Public under No. 509 and filed of record in this case be and the same is hereby declared proved and Probate thereof issued to the petitioner as the sole heir and executor named in the said Last Will unless the abovenamed respondent or any others interested shall appear before this court on the 10th day of April 1967 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 14th December 1966.  
Sgd. N. A. de S. Wijeyasekera  
District Judge

Drawn by  
W. B. Canagaratne  
Proctor for Petitioner  
26.5-67

Extended and reissued for 12-7-67.

Sgd. G. C. Niles  
District Judge

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## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1953

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Sellappah Samuel Vyravanather of Er-lalai North

Deceased  
Ratnammah widow of Vyravanather of Erilalai North  
Vs. Petitioner

Minor 1 Vyravanather David Ratnanathan

2 Vyravanather Joseph Ratnarajah

3 Vyravanather Regina Kiruba Ruby

4 Vyravanather Ratna-Ruban

5 Vyravanather Daniel Ratnasayan

6 Thamar Kandiah all of Erilalai North

The 1st to the 5th named respondents being minors by their guardian-ad-litem the 6th respondent

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. M. J. Rajendram Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on the 30th day of September 1966, in the presence of Mr. K. Kanapathipillai Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner having been read.

It is ordered that the petitioner be and she is hereby

## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1302

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Kanagmany wife of Appiah Rasiah of Kankesanturai

Deceased  
Kandiah Ponnusamy of Kankesanturai

Vs. Petitioner

Minor 1 Rasiah Indra Das, a minor appearing by his Guardian ad-litem  
2 Sinnathambi Kandiah of Melaiyesthy, Maviddapuram  
3 Appiah Rasiah of M. Jakkam

Respondents  
This matter coming on for disposal before N. M. J. Rajendram Esquire, District Judge of Jaffna, on the 20th day of June 1966 in the presence of Mr. A. Kumaraguru Proctor, on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit dated 12-5-66 and the Petition of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that:—

(a) the 2nd respondent be and he is hereby appointed Guardian ad-litem over the minor the 1st respondent for the purpose of these proceedings, and

(b) the petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said deceased and that Letters of Administration be issued to him accordingly,

unless the respondents or any other person or persons shall on or before the 9th day of September 1966 appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary

It is further ordered that the 2nd respondent do produce the 1st respondent minor in Court on the 9th day of September 1966

The 20th day of June 1966.  
Sgd. N. M. J. Rajendram  
District Judge

12-4-67. This Order Nisi is extended till 8-6-67.

Sgd. N. A. de S. Wijeyasekera  
D. J.

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declared entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased and that the 6th respondent be and he is hereby appointed guardian-ad-litem over the 1st five respondents abovenamed unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 28th day of November 1966 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the said minor respondents be produced in Court on the said date

This 30th day of September 1966.

Sgd. N. M. J. Rajendram  
District Judge.

28-11-1966.

Time to show cause has been extended till 3-2-1967.

Sgd. N. M. J. Rajendram  
District Judge

3-2-1967.

Time to show cause has been extended till 21-4-1967.

Sgd. N. M. J. Rajendram  
District Judge

21-4-1967.

Time to show cause has been extended till 16-6-1967.

Sgd. N. A. de S. Wijeyasekera  
District Judge,

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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 2024

In the matter of the Intestate estate of the late Theivayanayagi alias Poomany alias Theivanaipillai wife of A. Gnanasegaram of Maviddapuram Deceased  
Kathiresampillai Subramaniam Nadarajah of Maviddapuram presently of Colombo  
Petitioner

1 Arumugam Gnanasegaram

2 Kathiresampillai Subramaniam Kanagarajah

3 Kathiresampillai Subramaniam all of Maviddapuram Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. M. J. Rajendram, Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 27th day of February 1967 in the presence of Mr. M. Sithamparanathan, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner be declared entitled to Letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased as brother of the said deceased and that the same be issued to the petitioner unless the respondents or any other person interested shall appear before this court on or before the 3rd day of May 1967 and show cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 27th day of February 1967

(Sgd) N. A. de S. Wijeyasekera  
District Judge.

Drawn by  
M. Sithamparanathan (Sgd)  
Proctor for Petitioner

3-5-67

Time to show cause is extended till 9-6-67

N. A. de S. Wijeyasekera (Sgd)  
District Judge, Jaffna

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## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MANNAR

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 878

In the matter of the Intestate estate of the late Marian Anthony Roche of Pallimunai in Mannar

Deceased  
Anthony Mariathasan Roche of Pallimunai in Mannar

Vs. Petitioner

1 Varoneia Figurado widow of Marian Anthony Roche

2 Anthony Soosathasan Roche both of Pallimunai in Mannar Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before R. Paramakuru, Esquire District Judge, Mannar on the 15th day of March 1967 in the presence of Mr. F. J. A. Ponrajah, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 21st day of February, 1967 having been read:

It is ordered that the Petitioner abovenamed be and he is hereby declared entitled as son of the said deceased to have Letters of Administration issued to him in respect of the Estate of the deceased abovenamed, unless the respondents abovenamed or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 3rd day of May, 1967 show sufficient cause to the contrary, to the satisfaction of this court.

This 15th day of March 1967

Sgd.  
District Judge

3-5-67

Time to show cause extended till 17-6-67

Sgd.  
District Judge

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**Order Nisi****IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA**

Testamentary Jurisdiction  
No. 2044

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Sivakolunthu widow of Kanther Kumaravelu of Urumpirai South.

Deceased

Selliah Seeveratnam of Urumpirai South.

Vs. Petitioner

- 1 Veethavanam Ponnuthurai of Urumpirai South
- 2 Chelliah Gunapalasingham of do
- 3 Kanagammah widow of Vaithilingam of do
- 4 Neesammah widow of Rajah of do
- 5 Kanapathipillai Velupillai and wife
- 6 Neesammah both of Vadaliyadappu, Chankana West
- 7 Ponnampalem Chelliah of Urumpirai North
- 8 Velupillai Mathiaparanam of Ramalingam Road, Thirunelvely East
- 9 Muthu Sellathurai of Katpekapillaiyer Kovilady, Urumpirai East, Urumpirai
- 10 Eliathamby Sivaramalingam of Kurukkal Kovilady Naval North
- 11 Eliathamby Kandiah C/o Sabapathy Sivaguru of Urumpirai North
- 12 Achahimuttu widow of Sabapathy C/o Sabapathy Sivaguru of Urumpirai North
- 13 Kanapathipillai Vyravanathan and wife
- 14 Sinammah both of 46, 10th Channel, Urumbirapuram
- 15 Ledohumy widow of Kandish of Puliyanthiadiy Erilai West
- 16 Velupillai Thanabalasingam of Ramalingam Road, Tinnavelli East.

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. A. de S. Wijesekera Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 18th day of April 1967 in the presence of Mr. A. Thanabalasingam, Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 28th day of February 1967 and the affidavit of the notary and witness dated the 30th day of January 1967 having been read.

It is ordered that the last will and testament bearing No. 727 dated 10th October 1951 and attested by A. Thanabalasingam, Notary Public, made by the abovesaid deceased and which original has been produced and now deposited in this Court for and the same is hereby declared proved and that the petitioner abovesaid is the executor named therein and that he is hereby declared entitled to have probate thereof issued to him accordingly on his paying estate duty and taking oath of office unless any person or persons interested shall on or before the 18th day of June 1967 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Sgd. N. A. de S. Wijesekera  
District Judge

Drawn by  
Sgd. A. Thanabalasingam  
Proctor for Petitioner  
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**'ORDER NISI'****IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA**

Testamentary Jurisdiction  
No. 2029

In the matter of the Intestate Estate of the late Seeny Ratnam of Chunnakam

Deceased.

Nagaratnam widow of Seeny Ratnam of Chunnakam

Vs. Petitioner

- 1 Ledohumy widow of Seeny of Chunnakam
- 2 Seeny Rajah of do
- 3 Kanapathipillai Vaithilingam and wife
- 4 Annammah both of do
- 5 Vairamuttu Thambirajah and wife
- 6 Chinthamany both of do
- 7 Murugesu Sinnathurai and wife
- 8 Maheswary both of do

Respondents

This action coming on for disposal before N. M. J. Rajendram Esquire, District Judge Jaffna on the 25th day of February 1967 in the presence of Mr. C. Ramalingam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 30th day of January 1967 having been read

It is ordered that the petitioner be and she is hereby as the widow of the deceased abovesaid, declared entitled to have letters of administration of the intestate estate of the said deceased issued to her accordingly, unless the respondents abovesaid or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 10th day of May 1967 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 25th day of February 1967

G. C. Niles

Addl. District Judge

20-5-1967

Time to show cause has been extended till 23-6-1967

Sgd. G. C. Niles

Addl. District Judge,  
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**DECREE FOR DIVORCE**

"a vinculo Matrimonii"

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA**

No. Div / 1230

Leomi Maugreet Sabina Sivalingam wife of Kanapathipillai Sivalingam of Press Road, Jaffna.

Vs. Plaintiff

Kanapathipillai Sivalingam of Kanukkerny Thaniyootu Mulliyavalai. Defendant

This action coming on for disposal before N. M. J. Rajendram, Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on the 4th day of October, 1966 in the presence of Mr. V. Navaratna Rajah Proctor on the part of the Plaintiff and the Defendant being absent although the summons in this case was served on him by way of substituted service and the same was published in the Hindu Organ of 8th July, 1966 and the said case having been heard Ex-parte.

It is Ordered and Decreed that the marriage between the Plaintiff and the Defendant be set aside dissolved and annulled by reason of the Defendant's malicious desertion unless sufficient cause be shown to the Court why this Decree Nisi should not be made Absolute within three months from the making thereof.

It is further ordered that the said Plaintiff may henceforth resume and be known by her name of Leonie Maugreet Sabina daughter of Socsaipillai and have and enjoy all the rights and privileges to which unmarried women are by law entitled.

And it is further ordered that this Decree Nisi is returnable on or before the 12th day of January 1967.

This 4th day of October 1966.

Sgd. N. M. J. Rajendram  
District Judge, Jaffna

Drawn by

Sgd. V. Navaratna Rajah  
Proctor for Plaintiff

11-4-1967. Time to show

cause is extended to 29-8-1967

Sgd. G. C. Niles  
Additional District Judge

Jaffna,  
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**ORDER NISI****IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA**

No. Testy/2047

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Kathiravelu Sinnathamby of Vaddukkoddai West

Deceased

Sinnachohi, pillai widow of Kathiravelu Sinnathamby of Vaddukkoddai West

Vs. Petitioner

- 1 Sinnathamby Ganesapillai Land Office, Temerloh Malaysia
- 2 Sinnathamby Parameswaran
- 3 Sinnathamby Kanaganayagam
- 4 Loganayaki daughter of Sinnathamby
- 5 Sinnathamby Ledchumanathan
- 6 Sinnathamby Sithambaranathan
- 7 Sinnathamby Sabanathan
- 8 Chelliah Thuraiyeh all of Vaddukkoddai West

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. A. de S. Wijesekera Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 28th day of April 1967 in the presence of Mr. M. Kathiravelu, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 25th day of April 1967 and petition dated the 28th day of April 1967 and the affidavit of the Notary and witnesses dated the 25th day of April 1967 having been read:

It is ordered that the 8th respondent be and he is hereby appointed Guardian-ad-Litem over the minors the 6th and 7th respondents for the purpose of these proceedings unless the respondents or any other person or persons shall on or before the 23rd day of June 1967 appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the Last Will and Testament bearing No. 1508 made by the abovesaid deceased on the 10th day of May 1945 and attested by M. Kathiravelu, Notary Public the original of which has been deposited in this Court be and the same is hereby declared proved and that the petitioner abovesaid is the Executrix named therein and that she is hereby declared entitled to have Probate thereof issued to her accordingly on her payment of Estate Duty and taking Oath of Office unless the Respondents or any other person or persons shall on or before the 23rd day of June 1967 appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the petitioner do produce the 6th and 7th respondents minors in Court on the 23rd day of June 1967.

This 28th day of April 1967  
Sgd. G. C. Niles  
District Judge

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**ORDER NISI****IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA**

Testamentary Jurisdiction  
No. 2040

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late P. Asirvatham of Mathagal

Deceased

Anthoniappillai Rakini widow of P. Asirvatham of Mathagal

Vs. Petitioner

Minor 1 James Ranjan Asirvatham

" 2 Mary Rohini Asirvatham

" 3 Patricia Ranjini Asirvatham

" 4 Vincencis Jeroze Asirvatham

" 5 Matilda Malini Asirvatham

" 6 Luke Narmalan Asirvatham all of Mathagal

The 1st to 6th respondents are minors by their Guardian-ad-Litem

7 Manuelpillai Arulanathan of Mathagal

Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before N. A. de S. Wijesekera Esquire District Judge, Jaffna on the 4th day of March 1967 in the presence of Mr. P. N. Reginald, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 31st day of March 1967 and petition of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the 7th respondent be and he is hereby appointed Guardian-ad-Litem over the minors the 1st to 6th respondent and the petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said deceased and Letters of Administration be issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or any other person or persons shall on or before the 9th day of June 1967 appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary

And it is further ordered that the petitioner do produce the said minors in Court on the 9th day of June 1967 at 10 a. m.

The 4th day of April 1967

Sgd. N. A. de S. Wijesekera  
District Judge

Drawn by  
Sgd. P. N. Reginald  
Proctors for Petitioner

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