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WP No.34176 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24.08.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI,
CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.ARUL MURUGAN

WP No.34176 of 2026
and WMP No.37579 of 2026

B.Anitha

.. Petitioner

-VS-

1. The Bar Council of India,
Rep. by its Secretary,
21, Rouse Avenue Institutional Area,
New Delhi 110 002.

2. The Bar Council of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry,
Rep. by its Secretary,
High Court Campus, Chennai 600 104.

3. R.Yamuna

.. Respondents

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the 1st respondent, namely, the Bar Council of India, to process BCI Appeal D.No.45 of 2025 dated 08.06.2026 arising out of the order dated 08.03.2025 in D.C.C.No. 148 of 2024, assign a regular appeal number, if not already assigned, fix an early date for hearing and dispose of the appeal within such time as may be stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Gunaraj

For Respondents : Mr.S.R.Raghunathan
for R-1

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: Mr.C.K.Chandrasekar
for R-2

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ORDER

(Order of the Court was made by the Hon'ble Chief Justice)

This writ petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeks a writ of mandamus to direct the first respondent/Bar Council of India to process the BCI Appeal Diary No.45 of 2025 arising out of the order dated 08.03.2025 passed in DCC No.148 of 2024 by the second respondent/Bar Council of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry and assign regular appeal number, if not already assigned and dispose of the appeal as expeditiously as possible.

2. Learned counsel appearing for the first respondent/Bar Council of India submitted that the appeal papers were returned on 17.02.2026 as defective.

3. Now, the learned counsel for the petitioner is ready to remove the defects, if any and re-present the appeal within a period of fifteen days from today, if not already re-presented. If the appeal is re-presented without any defects within the aforesaid period, the first



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respondent/Bar Council of India is directed to decide the appeal as expeditiously as possible, preferably, within a period of six months in accordance with law and pass a reasoned and speaking order. This Court is not expressing any opinion on the merits of the case.

With the aforesaid direction, this writ appeal is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, the interim application stands closed.

(SUSHRUT ARVIND DHARMADHIKARI, C.J.) (G.ARUL MURUGAN, J.)
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Index : Yes/No
Neutral Citation : Yes/No
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