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

TESTAMENTARY PETITION NO. 157 OF 2026

Lucy John Richards .. Deceased

Brian John Richards .. Petitioner

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- Mr. Nitin K. Jadhav i/b Mr. Atish S. Mahade, Advocates for Petitioner.

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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : APRIL 22, 2026.

P.C.:

1. Not on Board. Mentioned by way of filing praecipe dated 22.04.2026. Perused the praecipe.

2. Heard Mr. Jadhav, learned Advocate for Petitioner.

3. Present Testamentary Petition is filed by Petitioner for issuance of Letters of Administration in respect of the properties and credits of deceased Lucy John Richards. 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.6 of the Petition. I have perused the same.

4. Consent affidavits dated 04.08.2026 and 08.08.2025 of Allen John Richards, Leslie John Richards, Heather Leonard Richard, Bunny Hiren Negandhi, Rajeshree Rajesh Gokalgandhi and Kevin Leonard

Richard the legal heirs of the deceased are appended to the Petition.

5. In view of the above, there can be no impediment in allowing the Petition. Testamentary Petition is allowed and disposed of in terms of un-numbered prayer clause which reads thus:-

“The Petitioner prays that Letters of Administration to the property and credits of the deceased abovenamed may be granted to Petitioner having effect throughout the State of Maharashtra.”

6. Department is directed to issue the Grant as directed above within a period of 3 weeks from today positively.

7. Testamentary Petition is allowed and disposed subject to compliance of office objections, if any, forthwith which shall be allowed by the Department.

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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