

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s).1110/2025

BHUMIKA TRUST

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No.293013/2025 - PERMISSION TO APPEAR AND ARGUE IN PERSON)

Date : 15-01-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIJAY BISHNOI

For Petitioner(s) : Petitioner-in-person

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For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

1. Permission to appear and argue in-person is granted.
2. This Court *vide* judgment dated 03.03.2025 passed in SUO Motu Writ Petition No.2 of 2024 (*In re: Recruitment of Visually Impaired in Judicial Services*) has directed for suitable amendment in the minimum eligibility conditions for appointment of judicial officers at the junior division level. Subsequently, *vide* another judgment dated 20.05.2025 passed in I.A. No.93974/2019 etc. (*All India Judges Association and others v. Union of India and others*), a mandatory condition of three years' practice at the bar has been prescribed to acquire eligibility to appear in the competitive

examination. The instant writ petition has been filed by an entity representing the hundreds of specially-abled candidates, urging that the condition of three years' practice at the bar be dispensed with in the case of the candidates represented by the applicant-Trust.

3. It *prima facie* seems that the eligibility condition must be uniform instead of being at variance for different categories of candidates who aspire to compete for judicial services.

4. However, before taking any holistic view in this regard, it seems that the opinions/suggestions by all the High Courts will be extremely useful. Similarly, suggestions can also be invited from the Law Universities/National Law Schools.

5. We, accordingly, direct the Registrar Generals of all the High Courts to place this order before their respective Hon'ble Chief Justices and also circulate this order among the Law Universities/National Law Schools located within their respective territorial jurisdiction. The High Courts, as well as the Law Universities/Law Schools, are requested to send their invaluable suggestions within four weeks.

6. Post the matter on 26.02.2026.

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ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI T.C.)  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR