IN THE HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH AT INDORE

WP No. 26638 of 2025

(RAJENDRA SHRIVASTAVA Vs CHIEF SECRETARY M.P. GOVT. VIDHYANCHAL AND OTHERS)

Dated: 10-10-2025

Shri Rajendra Shrivastava - Advocate / Petitioner present in person.

Shri Anand Soni - Additional Advocate General for the respondent

No.1 / State.

Shri N.S.Bhati - Advocate for respondent No.3.

The petitioner, who is a practicing advocate, has filed the subject Public Interest Litigation contending that a welfare scheme should be enacted by the State Bar Council for welfare of advocates, who have completed 35 to 40 years of practice.

The petitioner, who appears in person, submits that advocates contribute substantially to the legal profession and for the furtherance of justice and at the fag end of their carrier when they are unable to sustain junctures there is no support provided to them.

He submits that in similar circumstances the Bihar State Bar Council has prepared a Bihar State Bar Council Advocates' Welfare Scheme, 2012, which provides provisions for pension and family pension to the advocates and / or their family as the case may be.

Copy of the Bihar State Bar Council Advocates' Welfare Scheme (Pension and Family Pension) Rules, 2012 has been produced in the Court. The same is taken on record.

Issue notice.

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Notice accepted by learned counsel appearing for respondents No.1 and 3.

Notice shall issue to respondent No.2.

Let a copy of the Rules filed by the petitioner be supplied to the State Bar Council of Madhya Pradesh. State Bar Council shall consider, as to whether the similar scheme can be framed for the advocates of the State of Madhya Pradesh and submit a report to this Court.

Since the main relief is sought against the State Bar Council of Madhya Pradesh, whose office is at Jabalpur, this petition is directed to be transferred to the Principal Seat at Jabalpur.

Matter be listed before Division Bench-I on 12/11/2025.

(SANJEEV SACHDEVA) CHIEF JUSTICE (VINAY SARAF) JUDGE

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