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**Divorce Act, 1869**

**Section 22 - Bar to Decree for Divorce a Mensa Et Toro; but Judicial Separation Obtainable by Husband or Wife**

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No decree shall hereafter be made for a orce a mensa et toro, but the husband or wife may obtain a decree of judicial separation, on the ground of adultery, or cruelty, or desertion 1 [\*\*\*] for two years or upwards, and such decree shall have the effect of a divorce a mensa et toro under the existing law, and such other legal effect as here in after mentioned.

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1. The words "without reasonable excuse" omitted by Act 51 of 2001. section 17 (w.e.f. 3-10-2001).

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