

## Registration Act, 1908

### Section 68 - Power of Registrar to Superintend and Control Sub-registrars

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(1) Every Sub-Registrar shall perform the duties of his office under the superintendence and control of the Registrar in whose district the office of such Sub-Registrar is situate.

(2) Every Registrar shall have authority to issue (whether on complaint or otherwise) any order consistent with this Act which he considers necessary in respect of any act or omission of any Sub-Registrar subordinate to him or in respect of the rectification of any error regarding the book or the office in which any document has been registered.

#### STATE AMENDMENT

#### Sections 68A and 68B

<sup>1</sup> Bihar:

After section 68 insert as under:

"68A. Prohibition of unlicensed person.--(1) No person who is not licensed as provided under section 68B, shall engage himself in the profession of document-writer and document drawn-up and signed by a person who does not hold a licence shall not be accepted for registration by the registering officers:

Provided that no advocate, pleader or Mukhtar shall be required to have a licence under section 68B.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an executant of document to draw up a document to be presented for registration or to do any other act for himself for which a licensed document-writer could have been otherwise engaged.

(3) Nothing in this section shall apply to document executed out of India or out of the State of Bihar or to a will or to document scribed by document-writer holding licence for one sub-district or one district and presented for registration in another sub-district or another district as the case may be, or to documents executed by or on behalf of the Government or local authorities or other corporate bodies.

68B. Grant of licence to document-writers.--(1) The Registrar of district or any other officer authorised by him in this behalf may grant a licence, to be valid in one sub-district or one district in the prescribed form to document-writer or apprentice to document-writer on an application made in this behalf, on such term and conditions as may be prescribed by the Inspector-General of Registration in this behalf after conducting a written test as may be prescribed.

(2) A licence may be granted to any person who has been in the profession of the document-writer for at least ten years prior to the date of the Registration (Bihar Amendment) Ordinance, 1991 came into force, without requiring him to appear in the written test referred to in sub-section (1), if the Registrar of a district or any other officer authorised by him in this behalf is satisfied that he is otherwise fit to take the profession of a document-writer.

(3) A licence granted under sub-sections (1) and (2) shall, remain valid till the 31st day of December of the year in which the same was issued and shall be subject to renewal before the expiry of its period of validity on such terms and conditions, as may be prescribed.

(4) (a) The licence granted under sub-sections (1) and (2) may at any time, be suspended or cancelled on the breach of conditions prescribed or for such other reason to be recorded in writing by the Registrar of district or the officer authorised by him, after the document writer has been given sufficient opportunity to show cause against the proposed suspension or cancellation of the licence and after the same has been duly considered.

(b) An appeal shall lie before the Inspector-General of Registration against any order passed under this section.

Explanation.--For the purpose of sections 68A and 68B,--

(i) "Document-writer" means and includes one who is engaged in the profession of preparing documents, namely, doing the work of conveyancing, including investigation of titles, preparation of draft deeds and engrossing and transcribing the deed, including copies, if any, for registration, or marking searches and inspection under the Act, and

(ii) "Apprentice" means one who assists a document-writer in the preparation of document and transcribes them (including copies, any) to be present for registration."

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1. Vide Bihar Act 6 of 1991, section 5 (w.e.f. 8-8-1991).

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