

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

F.No. 3/Judl./2026

Dated: 18th March, 2026

CIRCULAR

Read: (1) Circular bearing F.No. 22/Judl./2025 dated 29.11.2025

(2) Circular bearing F.No. 24 /Judl./2025 dated 2.12.2025

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In *supersession* of the Circulars referred to above, Hon'ble the Chief Justice of India has been pleased to direct that, *henceforth*, the following will be the procedure / modalities relating to *circulation of Letters seeking adjournment of cases*:

Fresh and After-notice matters

- 1) Letters seeking for adjournment of cases listed before the Hon'ble Courts are permitted to be circulated by the Advocates-on-Record / Parties in-person in all cases.
- 2) Advocates-on-Record / Parties in-person shall serve the copy of the Letter seeking for adjournment, in advance, on the Advocates-on-Record / Parties in-person appearing on the other side / Caveator and submit such a request with proof of service before 11:00 a.m., on the previous working day.
- 3) The Advocates-on-Record / Parties in-person appearing on the other side / Caveator will have liberty to raise objection to such a request, through response on the aforesaid e-mail before 12:00 noon and such objection, if any received, will also be circulated before the Hon'ble Court.
- 4) Specific reason for seeking adjournment and number of adjournments already sought in the case shall be mentioned.

- 5) Adjournment of the case will be considered only *under exceptional circumstances* i.e., bereavement in the family or medical / health condition of the Advocate / Party in-person or such other genuine reason to the satisfaction of the Hon'ble Court.
- 6) Letters seeking adjournment in fresh cases are permitted to be circulated *only once*.
- 7) Two consecutive adjournments, irrespective of which party is seeking an adjournment, shall not be permitted without the case being listed before the Court.
- 8) Request for adjournment of the case shall be submitted in the prescribed format as per Annexure – 'A' through e-mail: adjournment.letter@sci.nic.in.

Regular matters

No Letters seeking for adjournment of regular cases listed before the Hon'ble Courts will be permitted.

-Sd/-
(Rajesh Sharma)
Registrar (J) (J.A-II)
18.3.2026

-Sd/-
(Dr. Ajit Atri)
Registrar (J) (J.A-I)
18.3.2026

-Sd/-
(Pavanesh D.)
Registrar (J) (J.L)
18.3.2026

Copy to:

- (1) Supreme Court Bar Association with five spare copies of the Circular with a request that the Circular may be displayed on the Notice Board of the Association for information to its Members.
- (2) Supreme Court Advocates-on-Record Association with five spare copies of the Circular with a request that the Circular may be displayed on the Notice Board of the Association for information to its Members.
- (3) All the Notice Boards.
- (4) All concerned

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Application for adjournment

To,

The Registrar,
Supreme Court of India

Sir,

Kindly adjourn the hearing of the case, particulars whereof are given below:

1. Case number:
2. Coram/court:
3. Name of the applicant with status (petitioner/respondent):
4. Reason for adjournment:
5. Period of adjournment:
6. Whether the rest of the parties are intimated (names of Advocates appearing for other parties with confirmation for intimating them):
7. Next date of hearing:
8. Whether any interim order is operating in the case:
9. Number of adjournment/s already taken:

(Name/signature/status)