

(2.) As to the authenticity or sufficiency of any document which may be produced in support of the claim of any body of persons to be so registered, or

(3.) As to the right of any person to act as attorney on behalf of any corporate body generally or in respect of any specific act.

Upon the hearing of such application the Court after hearing all interested parties and the Registrar-General, or such of them as shall attend, shall make such order as may appear just. There shall be an appeal from every such order in like manner as though it were an order in a civil action.

Annual pay-
ment in lieu
of fees on
devolution by
inheritance

10. In addition to the fee leviable upon effecting an original registration or a registration by prescription, sale, gift or exchange, there shall be paid in respect of all immovable property while registered in the name of a corporate body an annual payment equal to one-fortieth of the fee which would be payable on the devolution by inheritance of such property, the first of such payments being due on the first day of April next following the date of registration; and such payment shall be recovered with and in the same manner as the Verghi Kimat due upon the property in question.

Law not
applicable to
Ecclesiastical
properties.

11. Nothing in this Law shall apply to immovable property in the occupation of any Archbishop or Bishop acting on behalf of his See, or of any Abbot, Governing Body or Committee of Management of any Monastery or Church or to the registration of any property under sub-sections (2), (3) and (4) of section 12 of the Immovable Property Registration and Valuation Law, 1907, in the name of any person as trustee for a Church or Monastery.

Rules of
Court.

12. The High Commissioner, with the advice and assistance of the Chief Justice, may from time to time make Rules of Court for regulating the course of procedure to be observed upon any application to the Court under this Law and for prescribing the fees of Court to be charged in respect of such proceedings.

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TO PROVIDE FOR THE GIVING OF SECURITY BY OFFICIALS.

JOHN E. CLAUSON.]

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1. This Law may be cited as the Official Security (Immovable Property) Law, 1917.