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Bank of Madras.

No. 186. Read the following letter from H. G. PRICHARD, Esq., Government Solicitor, to the Honorable W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 14th January 1876.

I have the honor to inform you that on the 17th of June 1875 I was appointed, at a special general meeting of the Proprietors of the Bank of Madras, a Commercial Director of the Bank of Madras, and have ever since remained on the Direction.

2. I did not, at the time I was asked to become a Director of the Bank, deem it necessary to apply for the sanction of the Government for me to hold office, as not only did my predecessors in the office of Government Solicitor, Mr. Boyson and the late Mr. Brockman, for many years hold Directorships in many public Companies, but in the case of the Bank of Madras no objection was taken to the late Colonel Carpendale, on his ceasing to be a Government Director, becoming one of the Commercial Directors of the Bank.

3. I find, however, that in the proposed Presidency Banks Bill for 1876 it is provided by Section 35, Clause 2, that no salaried officer of Government not specially authorized by the Governor-General in Council can serve as a Director of any of the Presidency Banks. Should, therefore, this provision become law, I shall, upon the passing of the Act, become disqualified from continuing to serve as a Director of the Bank of Madras. I have ascertained that it is the wish of the Board of Directors that I should continue to be a Director of the Bank; and, as it appears to me that my being a Director, notwithstanding my holding the appointment of Solicitor to the Government of Madras, is not likely to prejudice the interests of Government in any way, I have the honor to request that, if the Government see no objection to my holding the appointment, they will be pleased to address the Governor-General in Council and obtain their sanction to my continuing a Director of the Bank.

4. In conclusion, I think it right to mention that the firm of which I am a partner are Solicitors to the Bank of Madras.

No. 186-A. ORDER THEREON, 20th January 1876, No. 120.

Ordered that application be made to the Government of India for formal sanction to the arrangement.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 187. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort St. George, 20th January 1876, No. 121.

I am directed to transmit, for the formal sanction of the Government of India, an application* from the Government Solicitor (Mr. H. G. Prichard), Madras, to be permitted to hold the office of an Ordinary Director of the Madras Bank, to which he was elected at a special meeting of the shareholders.

* Dated 14th January 1876.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

authorised

Madras, 14th January 1876.

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From

W. G. Prichard
Solicitor,
Madras

To

The Honorable W. Rudleston
Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Sir

1. I have the honor to inform you that on the 17th of June 1875, I was appointed at a Special General meeting of the Proprietors of the Bank of Madras a Commercial Director of the Bank of Madras and have ever since remained in the direction.

2. I did not at the time I was asked to become a Director of the Bank deem it necessary to apply for the sanction of the Government for me to hold office, as not only did my predecessors in the Office of Government Solicitor, Mr. Boyson and the late Mr. Brockman, for many years hold Directorships in many public Companies, but in the case of the Bank of Madras, no objection was taken to the late Colonel Carpendale on his ceasing to be a Government Director becoming one of the Commercial Directors of the Bank.

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Govt. of Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

The SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
Financial Department.

Dated January, 20th.

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4. In conclusion, I think it right to mention that the firm of which I am a partner are Solicitors to the Bank of Madras.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
H. G. Richards

Recd 27/1/76

Fin.l Department.

No. 121.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,
Fin.l Department.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit for the formal sanction of the Govt of India, an x application from the Govt Solicitor (Chas H. G. Prichard) Madras, to be permitted to hold the office of ~~an ordinary Commercial~~ Director of the Madras Bank, to which he was elected at a special meeting of the Shareholders.

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From H. G. Prichard Esqr
Solicitor
Madras

dd 20th Jan 1876

To the Chief Secretary to Govt
Fort St George

Dated 14th Jan 1876
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No. 121

To

The Secretary to the
Government of

Department.

Dated 20 Jany 1876.

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