

Topic: Equality Before Law And Equal Protection Of Law (Article 14)

Name of the Case: *Siri Srinivasa Theatre v. Government of Tamil Nadu*, AIR 1992 SC

Bench: Justice B.P. Jeevan Reddy and Justice M.N. Venkatachelliah

Ratio: The Supreme Court has explained that the expression equality before law and equal protection of law do not mean the same thing even if there may be much in common between them.

Equality before law is a dynamic concept having many facets. One facet is that there shall be no privileged person or class and that none shall be above the law. Another facet is the obligation upon the state to bring about, through the machinery of law, more equal society. For, "equality before law can be predicted meaningfully only in equal society."