**Zena v Rehani**

**Division:** Court of Appeal at Mwanza

**Date of judgment:** 7 August 1974

**Case Number:** 13/1974 (86/74)

**Before:** Sir William Duffus P, Mustafa and Musoke JJA

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**Appeal from:** High Court of Tanzania – Jonathan, J

*[1] Muslim Law – Legitimacy – Acknowledgment of son – Principles discussed.*

**Editor’s Summary**

The deceased who was a muslim acknowledged the respondent as his son before a magistrate. The question in issue was whether this was sufficient to enable the respondent to succeed to the deceased’s estate.

**Held –**

(i) a muslim may acknowledge another as his legitimate child;

( ii) all the requirements of a valid acknowledgment had been proved.

Appeal dismissed.

**No cases referred to in judgment**