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Personal Presentation Mandatory for Election Petitions, Supreme Court Rules

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The Supreme Court on 7 October held that an election petitioner must personally present the petition under Section 81 of the Representation of the People Act. Dismissing a challenge to the Madras High Court's rejection of a petition questioning a 2026 Tamil Nadu Assembly result, the Court said the word "by" in Section 81 requires presentation by the candidate or elector, not merely by counsel. High Courts may prescribe the...

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