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Supreme Court Expands 'Legal Representative' Definition in Motor Accident Cases

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In a landmark decision, the Supreme Court ruled that the term "legal representative" under the Motor Vehicles Act should be interpreted broadly, ensuring that compensation is not limited to the spouse, parents, or children of a deceased accident victim. Instead, any dependent suffering a financial loss due to the victim's death has a rightful claim. The case arose after a Motor Accident Claims Tribunal (MACT) denied compensation to the father...

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