

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

DATE OF DECISION: AUGUST 07, 2015

Sh.R.K.Rathore, Advocate

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

1. Whether Reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgement?
2. To be referred to the Reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?

Present: Mr. Manish Dadwal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has approached this Court with a grievance that he had been appointed as an Additional Advocate General for the State of Punjab in April 2002 and he continued on the said date till March 2007. He had been appearing before Hon'ble the Supreme Court of India and represented the State of Punjab, for which he had raised bills. The said bills were submitted to the respondents. Except for one cheque amounting to ₹18,600/- dated 07.06.2006, no other payment has been received by the petitioner.

Counsel states that the petitioner sought information under the Right to Information Act with regard to the bills, which were submitted by the petitioner but as per the said communication, except for the above

referred cheque, no other payment was made to the petitioner. This communication is dated 22.05.2014 (Annexure P-5). The petitioner has served a legal notice dated 19.03.2015 (Annexure P-6) upon the respondents but till date neither any reply has been received nor any payment made to him.

Counsel contends that the petitioner, at this stage, would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the respondents to consider and decide the legal notice dated 19.03.2015 (Annexure P-6) filed by the petitioner, within some specified time.

In view of the statement made by the counsel for the petitioner and without going into the merit of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with directions to the respondents to consider and decide the legal notice dated 19.03.2015 (Annexure P-6) within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

In case the claim of the petitioner is accepted, the consequential benefits, if any, be released to him, in accordance with law, within a further period of one month.

August 07, 2015
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE