

Sunita Devi and others vs. Ved Singh and others

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

**FAO No. 6008 of 2013 (O&M)
Date of decision: 04.11.2015.**

Sunita Devi and others

..... Appellants.

Versus

Ved Singh and others

..... Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NAVITA SINGH

Present:- Mr. Narinder Kaajla, Advocate, for the appellants.

None for respondent No. 2.

Ms. Shamsheer Kaur, Advocate, for respondent No. 3.

NAVITA SINGH, J. (ORAL)

CM No. 24755-CII of 2013

Heard. There is delay of 2542 days in filing the appeal. The reason given is that after passing of the award, the appellant had handed over the papers to one Mr. Jitender Nehra, Advocate, for filing the appeal, who had told the appellant that they should not worry any more as the decision of the appeal would take a long time. Thereafter, the appellant (name not given) went to Gujarat and then to Jharkhand in search of job. Counsel, who was engaged, expired in 2012.

All said and done, the delay of almost seven years is abnormal and it is not believable that for six years before the counsel expired, the appellants did not try to contact him. It rather appears that since the counsel is no more and facts cannot be verified from him, the applicant/appellant came up with a cock and bull story. The reason given in

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the application is not convincing. No ground for condoning the delay in filing the appeal is made out.

Dismissed.

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Since the appeal is hopelessly time barred and the delay in filing the appeal has not been condoned, consequently, the appeal is also dismissed.

**(NAVITA SINGH)
JUDGE**

04.11.2015
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