

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Letters Patent Appeal No. 1238 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of decision: 14.3.2016

Satinder Pal Singh Walia

.. Appellant

v.

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BINDAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. V. K. Sandhir, Advocate for the appellant.
Mr. P. S. Bajwa, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.
Mr. Harsh Chopra, Advocate and
Mr. T. S. Gujral, Advocate for Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

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Rajesh Bindal J.

The writ petition filed by the petitioner having been dismissed by the learned Single Judge on delay and laches, the order has been impugned in the present appeal. The appeal is accompanied by an application seeking condonation of delay of 470 days in re-filing thereof.

The appellant, who retired from service in the year 2009, filed writ petition in the year 2014 claiming benefit of one increment on completion of 32 years of service under Assured Career Progression Scheme. The benefit, according to the appellant, was due to him in the year 2004. The writ petition having been filed about 5 years after retirement of the appellant seeking to claim a benefit which, according to the appellant, was due in the year 2004 was rightly dismissed by the learned Single Judge applying the principles of delay and laches. For the purpose, reference can

be made to the judgment of this court in Harnam Singh v. State of Punjab and others, 2014(3) SCT 353.

Accordingly, the appeal is dismissed. Consequently, the application for condonation of delay is also dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge

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