

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO.3698 OF 2017

Mohammed Siddique Merchant ...Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra & Anr. ...Respondents.

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Ms Apeksha Dangche i/b. Ms Shakuntala Wadekar for the Petitioner.
Ms N.S. Jain, APP for the Respondent No.1-State.

**CORAM : SMT. ANUJA PRABHUDESSAI, J.
DATE : 08th NOVEMBER, 2017**

P.C. :

By this application, the Petitioner has sought expeditious disposal of case No.PW/6200536/2015 pending before the 62nd Court, Bhoiwada, Dadar, Mumbai. The learned counsel for the Petitioner has submitted that the first informant is a senior citizen and that his evidence has not been recorded even though the charges were framed way back in the year 2015.

2. I have perused the records. The roznama, which is placed on record indicates that the charges were framed in July-2015. Since

then the matter has been adjourned time and again at the request of the accused. Considering the above facts and also considering the fact that the Petitioner is a senior citizen, the learned Trial Judge is directed to record evidence of the first informant as expeditiously as possible and in any event, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

3. The Petition stands disposed of in above terms.

(SMT. ANUJA PRABHUDESSAI, J.)