

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED 08.11.2017

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE **P.N. PRAKASH**

Crl.O.P.No.18213 of 2016

in

Crl.A.No.SR.34399 of 2012

N.Lakshmi

.... Petitioner

Vs

V.Ramaraj

.... Respondent

Petition filed under Section 378 (4) of Criminal Procedure Code against the Judgment of the learned XIV Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai made in C.C.No.1475 of 2002 dated 14.09.2011.

For Petitioner : Ms.N.Lakshmi (Party-in-person)

ORDER

Heard N.Lakshmi, Party-in-Person. For the sake of convenience, the petitioner and the respondent will be referred to as the complainant and the accused respectively.

2. The complainant initiated a prosecution in C.C.No.1475 of 2002 against the accused for the offence under Section 138 of Negotiable Instrument Act, in which, the learned XIV Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai, acquitted the accused by judgment dated 14.09.2011, aggrieved by which, the complainant has preferred the present appeal against the order of acquittal dated 14.09.2011 with a delay of 271 days.

3. The papers were returned to the complainant by the Registry for some compliance and the same was re-presented with a delay of 102 days which was condoned by this Court on 18.12.2012 and on 09.08.2016, this Court condoned the delay of 271 days in filing the above appeal.

3. Heard the complainant.

4. Court notice has not been served on the accused, however, on the order of this Court, the complainant has effected substituted service.

5. In view of the judgment of a Full Bench of this Court in **S. Ganapathy vs N. Senthilvel** [(2016) 3 MLJ (CrI) 641 (FB)], the Registry is directed to send the records relating to this case to the Court of the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Chennai, after taking a photocopy of the records, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. The complainant is directed to appear before the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Chennai on 18.12.2017 at 10.30 a.m. On the appearance of the complainant, the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge, Chennai, is directed to take adequate steps to see that the notice is served on the accused through police and on the appearance of the accused, the Appeal shall be completed within a period of three months thereafter.

7. With the above directions, the Criminal Original Petition is disposed of. Consequently, Criminal Appeal SR No.34399 of 2012 is closed.

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Speaking/Non-Speaking Order

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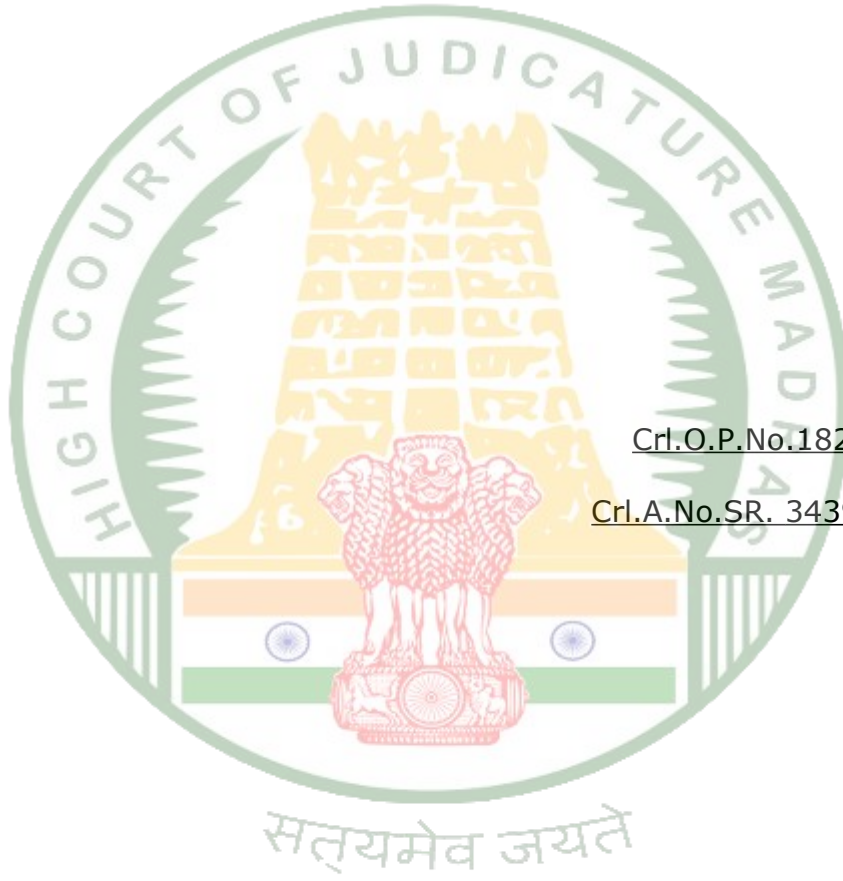
1. The Principal District and Sessions Judge,
Chennai.
2. The XIV Metropolitan Magistrate,
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