

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

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**CR No.6227 of 2017
Date of decision: 14.09.2017**

HDFC Bank Ltd.

..... Petitioner

Versus

Suresh Jain and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr. Vivek Salathia, Advocate
for the petitioner.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner-defendant in a civil suit, has filed this revision petition against the order striking off the defence and denying the opportunity to file the written statement.

Striking of defence is a very serious matter. Once defence is struck off, the defendant is not permitted to defend the suit. In my opinion, striking of defence can be resorted only as a last resort.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has undertaken to file the written statement within a period of 15 days from today. However, this opportunity would be subject to the payment of Rs.10,000/- as cost.

Revision petition is allowed.

Since, I am disposing of this revision petition without issuing notice, the plaintiffs would be at liberty to move an application for recall, if they so desired.

14.09.2017
Dinesh Bansal

**(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes / No