

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Misc. No.M-7441 of 2017

Date of Decision: April 28, 2017

Balwinder Singh @ Balli

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present:- Mr. Prateek Pandit, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajesh Mehta, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

Mr. J.S. Lalli, Advocate, for the complainant.

Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)

Though undoubtedly the petitioner has been in custody for the last three years, with only 6 prosecution witnesses out of 22 witnesses examined so far, however, it is seen that the petitioner has been attributed a fatal blow to the deceased.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the trial is not progressing because of the fact that in the cross version to the FIR in which the complainants in the FIR against the petitioner are the accused, charge has still not been framed.

Learned counsel further submits that two co-accused of the petitioner have already been admitted to bail vide an order of this Court dated 23.02.2017 passed in CRM-M-8139 of 2016.

Keeping in view the nature of the role of the petitioner alleged, this petition is dismissed. However, the trial Court is directed to ensure that the material witnesses are examined at the outset and the trial is expedited to

conclude as early as possible.

April 28, 2017
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(Amol Rattan Singh)
Judge

Whether reasoned/speaking: Yes
Whether reportable: no