

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

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CRM-M No.37799 of 2017

Date of Decision: May 8th, 2018

Vikram Gilla

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Amit Rana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. S.S. Sidhu, Advocate
for the complainant.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Counsel for the petitioner points out that on the last date of hearing, it was specifically stated by the counsel for the complainant that only one witness was left out and that was the doctor, who was to be examined through video conferencing, which evidence has also been completed now. However, it has now been brought to the notice of the Court that an application has been moved for examining three witnesses namely Sham Lal, Budh Ram and Amar Singh, who were earlier cited as witnesses but were given up. Counsel states that the petitioner is in custody since 08.09.2013 and on the pretext of adding witnesses, the agony of incarceration of the petitioner is being prolonged. His further submission is that all the other co-accused of the petitioner have been granted regular bail. He, however, prays for withdrawal of the present petition to approach the Court after the evidence of these above mentioned three witnesses has completed and if the prosecution moves further application for examining some other witnesses.

withdrawn with liberty aforesaid.

In the light of the fact that the petitioner is in custody since the year 2013 and the trial is being delayed, these three witnesses which have now sought to be examined, be examined at an early date so that the trial can be finalised at the earliest.

May 8th, 2018
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No