

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

**CRR No.4618 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 17.01.2018**

Lakhwinder Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

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

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, Asstt. Advocate General, Punjab
for respondent No.1-State.

Ms. Kanchan, Advocate for
Mr. Abhimanyu Vinayak, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

CRM No.40019 of 2017

Allowed as prayed for.

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Ld. Counsel for the petitioner has tendered the original receipt No.156, dated 16th January, 2018 amounting to Rs.15,000/- deposited with the Legal Services Committee of this Court. Copy of the relevant deposit Order No.7 dated 16th January, 2018 has been separately filed.

Since, the offence in the present case is compoundable, therefore, judgment of conviction and order of sentence dated 12th September, 2016 passed by the Ld. Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Phillaur whereby the petitioner was convicted under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period 02 years and to pay compensation equivalent to the cheque amount along with interest @ 9% per annum and as well as the judgment of the Ld. Appellate Court dated 15th September, 2017 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar dismissing the appeal, are hereby set aside and the accused-petitioner is acquitted of notice of accusation served upon him. He be released forthwith, if not required in any other case.

January 17, 2018
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(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No