

**A.No.1157 of 2020**  
**and O.P.No.666 of 2011**

**N. SATHISH KUMAR, J.**

This application has been filed to appoint a Sole Arbitrator to decide the dispute and differences between the parties in replacement of Mr.Justice N.V.Balasubramaniam which are the subject matter of reference and to pass the Award by a period of 6 months.

2.Due to the death of the then Arbitrator and both the counsels have not raised any serious objections to appoint any retired Judge.

3.Heard both sides,

4.Having regard to the aforesaid undisputed facts and the submissions of the learned counsels on either side, Hon'ble Mr.Justice R.S.Ramanathan, a retired Judge of this Court, having residence at "Parijatham", Old No.4B2, New No.15, Rajagopalan Street, Valmiki Nagar, Tiruvanmiyur, Chennai – 600 041 is appointed as the Sole Arbitrator to enter upon reference and adjudicate the disputes inter se the parties. The learned Arbitrator may, after issuing notice to the parties, is at liberty to continue the arbitration from where it was left by the erstwhile Arbitrator

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and upon hearing them, pass an award as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of the order. The learned Arbitrator is at liberty to fix his remuneration and other incidental expenses. The proceedings shall be conducted preferably in the Madras High Court Arbitration Centre and in accordance with the Madras High Court Arbitration Rules. The appointment of the Arbitrator will be subject to the disclosure and declaration made, as per the Sixth Schedule to the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 coupled with the amendments made therein.

With the above direction, the application is ordered.

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