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CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION****PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 80 OF 2022**

Prashant R. Phanse	}	Petitioner
versus		
The State of Maharashtra	}	
and Ors.	}	Respondents

Mr. Pandit Kasar i/b. Vis Legis Law Practice for the petitioner.

Mr. P. P. Kakade, Government Pleader with Mr. M. M. Pable, AGP for State.

**CORAM: DIPANKAR DATTA, CJ &
M. S. KARNIK, J.**

DATE: JULY 11, 2022

P.C.:

1. The petitioner seeks an order on the respondents to place the respondent no. 5 under suspension and to initiate disciplinary proceedings against him in view of his having a third child in his wedlock with his second wife.
2. This is a public interest litigation. The petitioner appears to be a stranger in respect of the employer-employee relationship with the State and the respondent no. 5. No public interest litigation in respect of a service matter is entertainable in view of several decisions of the Supreme Court.
3. The writ petition is thoroughly misconceived and, accordingly, stands dismissed. No costs.

(M. S. KARNIK, J.)**(CHIEF JUSTICE)**