



W.P.No.4518 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED: 30.08.2023

CORAM: JUSTICE N.SESHASAYEE

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R.Vanaja

...Petitioner

-Vs-

The Manager
Union Bank of India,
(formerly Andhra Bank)
Triplicane Branch
Big Street, Triplicane
Chennai – 600 005
Rep. by its Branch Manager

...Respondent

Prayer: Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent herein to permit the petitioner to operate the locker No.60 in the Respondent Bank without any conditions whatsoever.

For Petitioner : Mr.Prakash Goklaney

For R1 : Mr.S.Parthasarathy



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The petitioner intends to open the locker which she has with the respondent bank. She is not allowed to operate it as her husband was proceeded against by the CBI under a certain criminal case, which according to the petitioner had ended in acquittal.

2. Even this statement is her presumption, as she is yet to be informed by the respondent Bank under what circumstance her account came to be frozen by the Bank.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that if involvement of the petitioner's husband under the criminal case registered by the CBI is the cause, then he had already been acquitted Vide judgement of this Court dated 02.11.2021 in CrI.A.No.635 of 2008.

4. Mr.S.Parthasarathy, learned counsel takes notice for the first respondent.



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5.This Court now directs the respondent;

(a) to abide by the Judgment of this Court dated 02.11.2021 in
Crl.A.No.635 of 2008, if the registration of this criminal case by
the CBI is the cause for its decision to freeze the locker of the
petitioner;

(b) if (a) is not the ground for freezing the account of the petitioner,
then to disclose to the petitioner the ground on which it has
decided to freeze the account.

6.The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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