

CWP-10493-1998 (O&M)

2023:PHHC:114881

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision :-01.09.2023

Suman Dutt

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Harish Rathee, Senior DAG, Haryana.

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Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

Present petition was filed by the petitioner challenging the order dated 25.10.1996 (Annexure P/2) by which, services of the petitioner were terminated by the respondent-department on the ground that the petitioner has failed to pass the shorthand and typing test.

As per order passed by this Court while issuing notice of motion, termination order dated 25.10.1996 (Annexure P/2) was stayed and the petitioner continued working.

From the record, it transpires that the petitioner was appointed on the post of stenographer in the year 1993.

Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the petitioner must have retired by now after attaining the age of superannuation.

It may be noticed that even if, the petitioner is in service as of now, she must have rendered 25 years of service after filing the present writ petition under the orders of this Court hence, virtually the petitioner has

already served the respondent-department for more than two decades, therefore, no purpose will be achieved in now terminating the service of the petitioner in pursuance to the impugned order.

Even otherwise, no one has put in appearance on behalf of the petitioner today, which fact also shows that the petitioner must have retired from service hence, no further order are required to be passed by this Court.

It may be noticed that in case the petitioner is still in service, respondents are directed not to give effect to the impugned order any further. As requested by learned counsel for the respondents, question of law raised in the present petition is kept open.

Civil miscellaneous application pending, if any, is also disposed of.

September 01, 2023
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No