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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **C.O.(COMM.IPD-CR) 873/2022**

SURJEET PUBLICATION

..... Petitioner

Through: None

versus

F.J. MONKHOUSE AND H.R. WIKINSON AND ANR.

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Harish Vaidyanathan
Shankar, CGSC with Mr. Srish Kumar
Mishra, Mr. Sagar Mehlawat, Mr. Alexander
Mathai Paikaday, Mr. M. Sriram, Mr.
Krishnan V., Advocates.

+ **C.O.(COMM.IPD-CR) 874/2022**

SURJEET PUBLICATIONS

..... Petitioner

Through: None

versus

CLAIRE SELLTIZ MORTON DEUTSCH AND ANR.

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Harish Vaidyanathan
Shankar, CGSC with Mr. Srish Kumar
Mishra, Mr. Sagar Mehlawat, Mr. Alexander
Mathai Paikaday, Mr. M. Sriram, Mr.
Krishnan V., Advocates.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C. HARI SHANKAR

ORDER (O R A L)

26.09.2023

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1. These are matters which were transferred from the Copyright



Board. As the petitions had been filed in 2007 and were listed before the High Court for the first time 15 years thereafter in 2022 on the abolition of the Copyright Board, this Court, *vide* order dated 23 November 2022, had directed notice to be issued to the petitioner, to ascertain whether the petitioner was interested in prosecuting this petition any further.

2. All attempts at serving the petitioner have been futile. The petitioner is stated to have left the address provided by the petitioner in the memo of parties. This Court had, on 16 February 2023, therefore, directed notice to be served on leaned Counsel for the parties. The Registry reports that said direction could not be complied with, as the details of the names and addresses of the Counsel for parties is also not forthcoming. The record reveals that there is no Vakalatnama on record.

3. As such, it appears that these petitions are no longer worthy of prosecution. They are, accordingly, dismissed for default and non-prosecution.

C.HARI SHANKAR, J

SEPTEMBER 26, 2023/vp