



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-A-405-MA-2017 (O&M)

Date of decision: 18.09.2025

JANG SINGH

...Applicant

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present :- None.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

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Prayer in the application is for condonation of delay of 22 days in filing the appeal.

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is allowed and delay of 22 days in filing the appeal is condoned.

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The present application has been preferred under Section 378(4) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (hereinafter 'CR.P.C.') seeking grant of leave to appeal against the judgment of acquittal dated 08.11.2016 passed by the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ferozepur in a case stemming from criminal complaint dated 06.02.08/23.01.14 filed under Sections 452/447/427/324/323/342/379/380/148/392/395/313/149 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

2. After assessing all the material available on the record, the learned trial Court acquitted the respondent(s) vide judgment dated

08.11.2016.

3. It is revealed that in view of the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *M/s. Celestium Financial vs. A. Gnanasekaran Etc., 2025(3) RCR (Criminal) 208*, the applicant would have a remedy before the Court of Sessions.

4. In view of the judgment rendered by the Apex Court in *Celestium Financial (supra)*, the present application seeking leave to appeal is **remanded** to the learned Sessions Judge, Ferozepur with a direction to treat the same as an appeals filed under Section 372 of the Cr.P.C. and entrust the same to appropriate Court for its disposal on merits.

5. The Registry is directed to send the complete paper-book and the record of the case to the learned Sessions Judge, Ferozepur forthwith.

6. Disposed of accordingly. Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

18.09.2025
Vishal Sharma

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