



**371 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CWP-6785-2003 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 10.12.2025**

Avtar Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and Others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present:- None for the petitioner.

Mr. Arun Jindal, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking setting aside of order dated 21.04.2003 whereby he has been ordered to be reverted as Sub Inspector ('SI').

2. The petitioner joined Punjab Police as Constable on 10.02.1978. He was given ad-hoc promotion as Inspector on 27.03.1998 based on his sports performance. He was deputed to the Excise and Taxation Department but later on repatriated to his parent department. Vide impugned order dated 21.04.2003, he was reverted to the rank of SI. This Court vide order dated 15.05.2003 stayed the order of reversion. Relevant extracts of 15.05.2003 order are reproduced as below:

“Learned counsel for the respondents prays for be time to file written statement. Written statement filed within four weeks from today with advance copy to the counsel for the petitioner. If the petitioner has not already been reverted in

furtherance to the order dated 21.4.2003, status quo shall be maintained.

List on 6.10.2003.

Copy of order be given dasti.”

3. Learned State counsel submits that the petitioner was well aware that his ad-hoc promotion as Inspector was subject to reversion without show cause notice. The petitioner has retired as Deputy Superintendent of Police.
4. On being asked, he expressed his inability to controvert that petitioner’s reversion was stayed by order dated 15.05.2003 and he continued to work on higher post.
5. As per State counsel, the petitioner was further promoted as DSP and has retired as DSP.
6. In the backdrop, this Court finds it appropriate to make order dated 15.05.2003 absolute.
7. ***Disposed of.***
8. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

10.12.2025
Prince Chawla

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No