



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-A-732-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 27.10.2025

HARJINDER KAUR

...Applicant

VERSUS

GURPREET SINGH

...Respondents

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

Present :- Mr. N.S. Kamboj, Advocate for the applicant.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The present application has been preferred under Section 419 (4) of the BNSS, 2023 seeking grant of leave to appeal against the judgment of acquittal dated 24.03.2025 passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class Amritsar in a case stemming from criminal complaint dated 14.02.2022 filed under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

2. The complaint (supra) was filed on the ground of dishonour of cheque of Rs.20,00,000/-. After assessing all the material available on the record, the learned trial Court acquitted the respondent(s) vide judgment dated 24.03.2025.

3. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant submits 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, Amritsar with a direction to treat the same as an appeal filed under Section 413 of the BNSS 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, Amritsar forthwith.

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

OCTOBER 27, 2025
Vishal Sharma

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

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