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

+ CRL.L.P. 694/2017

R S RANA

.....Petitioner

Through:

versus

RAM RATTAN SHARMA

.....Respondent

Through: Appearance not given.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE CHANDRASEKHARAN SUDHA

ORDER

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13.01.2026

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 378(5) Cr.P.C. by the petitioner/complainant seeking leave to appeal against the judgment dated 13.09.2017 CC No. 305/2/14 on the file of MM, (SE), Saket Courts, New Delhi. *Vide* the impugned judgment, the respondent was acquitted under Section 255(1) Cr.P.C of the offence punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

2. In the light of the dictum of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Celestium Financial v. A. Gnanasekaran, 2025 SCC OnLine**



SC 1320, this present appeal will lie before the Sessions Court concerned.

3. Hence, the appeal is sent to the Sessions Court concerned for consideration.

4. The appellant shall appear before the Sessions Court on 16.03.2026.

CHANDRASEKHARAN SUDHA, J

JANUARY 13, 2026/kd