

**IN THE COURT OF SHRI HASAN ANZAR,
SPECIAL JUDGE, PC ACT (CBI-03),
ROUSE AVENUE DISTRICT COURT, NEW DELHI**

CBI Vs. Rakesh Kumar Jain @ R.K. Jain & Ors.

CC No. 327/2019

Date of Institution : 13.05.2016

IA No. 14/2026

19.05.2026

Present : Sh. Shekhar Gehlot, Ld. PP for the CBI.
A-1, A-2 & A-3 on bail. (Through VC).
Sh. Deepak Bhadana, Ld. Counsel for A-1 & A-2. (Through VC).
Sh. Ashish Tiwary and Sh. Gaurav Kumar, ld. Counsels for A-3.

1. This order shall dispose of second application moved on behalf of CBI for examination of witnesses namely, Ms. Susan E. Wright & Ms. Christina M. Stepien through video conferencing.

2. Copy of the application has been provided to the ld. Counsel for A-3. Ld. Counsels for A-1, A-2 & A-3 have expressed their no objection and left it to the discretion of the Court to pass an order as deemed fit.

3. On 02.02.2026, following order was passed for issuance of summons to examine witnesses namely, Ms. Susan E. Wright & Ms. Christina M. Stepien through video conferencing:

“5. It is also revealed from the record that during investigation, by way of letter of rogatory, some documents in respect of a referenced individual were obtained from Syracuse University, New York from Ms. Susan E.

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Wright (Title:-Assistant Registrar) and Ms. Christina M. Stepien (Title:-Bursar Director/University Bursar), who are employed/associated with Syracuse University, 900 S. Crouse Avenue/Crouse-Hinds Hall, Suite 513/Syracuse, New York, United States of America and the prosecution is proposing to examine both the witnesses through video conferencing/audio visual means. It is also contended that examination of both the witnesses are necessary in relation to documents referred and relied in D-171 and their testimonies are material for determination of the present case.”

4. A communication from US Department of Justice through its Attorney was received in which it was informed that there was insufficient time for office of International Affairs (OIA) to serve summons on Ms. Christina M. Stepien.

5. In view of the submissions and also considering the fact that both the witnesses are citizens/residents of USA and the best option for recording their testimonies is only through Video Conferencing and therefore, the prosecution is permitted to examine both the witnesses namely Ms. Susan E. Wright and Ms. Christina M. Stepien through Video Conferencing subject to the following terms and conditions:-

i. Issue summons in the prescribed format to witnesses namely, Ms. Susan E. Wright and Ms. Christina M. Stepien (Foreign Nationals) for recording of their statement through Video Conferencing for **14.09.2026 and 15.09.2026 (22.09.2026 and 23.09.2026 Reserve Days)**. The meeting link ID for the purposes of Video Conferencing; <https://districtcourtdelhi.webex.com/meet/readercbi03radc> and (video address: readercbi03radc@districtcourtdelhi.webex.com).

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ii. The copy of summons be handed over to the concerned IO/HIO/Id.PP to be sent to the Under Secretary (Legal Cell), Internal Security Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi for transmitting it to Indian Embassy at USA to enable requisite arrangements for recording the statement of witnesses namely Ms. Susan E. Wright & Ms. Christina M. Stepien (Foreign Nationals) at such place or as deemed appropriate by Indian Authorities of Indian Embassy. IO is directed to coordinate with the Under Secretary (Legal Cell), Security Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi and furnish any such requirement more specifically mentioned in Figure 4.6 (format of the Request for service of Summons/Notices/Judicial Processes) of Guidelines on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matter of MHA.

iii. The witnesses shall be examined within the Court Hours (between 10:00 AM to 05:00 PM Indian Standard Time (IST)) through Video Conferencing.

iv. The Prosecution is directed to ensure that relevant documents which are to be relied in the testimonies of the witnesses, the certified/attested copy of the same is provided well in advance to the concerned authorities and the same shall also be made available to the witness so as to facilitate the examination of the witnesses conducted in seamless manner.

v. Necessary expenses for conducting the Video Conferencing shall be borne by the Prosecution in consultation with the relevant authorities, as per rules.

vi. The statement of witnesses namely Ms. Susan E. Wright & Ms. Christina M. Stepien shall be recorded in accordance with Electronic Evidence & Video Conferencing Rules, 2025 of

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Hon'ble Delhi High Court.

vii. The Prosecution is directed to inform the name(s) and particulars of the Remote Point Coordinator(s) as per Electronic Evidence & Video Conferencing Rules, 2025 atleast 15 days prior to the examination of the witnesses.

6. It would be open for the Prosecution as well as the relevant stake holders to approach the Court for further direction. The CBI is directed to provide the status report every 15 days by specifying about the steps taken for the examination of the witnesses as well as the current status of both the witnesses.

7. The Copy of summons alongwith meeting Link ID and Attested Copy of Order be furnished to the IO/HIO/Sr. PP for the CBI.

8. Accordingly, the application (IA No. 14/2026) stands allowed in terms of the above referred conditions.

(HASAN ANZAR)
Special Judge (PC Act) CBI-03,
RADC/New Delhi/19.05.2026