

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No. 912/2003

(From the judgement and order dated 18/02/2002 in CRLA 405/99
of The HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT N. DELHI)

STATE OF DELHI

Petitioner (s)

VERSUS

RAM AVTAR @ RAMA

Respondent (s)

(With Appln(s). for c/delay in filing SLP and stay)

Date : 12/01/2004 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE Y.K. SABHARWAL
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE AR. LAKSHMANAN

For Petitioner (s)

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Mr. D.S. Mahra, Adv.

For Respondent (s)

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

In this appeal against acquittal, the State Government has still not been able to serve the respondent. For this purpose the matter has been placed before the Court from time to time. The Registry, by its letter dated 29th October, 2003, required the counsel for the petitioner to furnish the fresh address of the respondent or to file affidavit of service. That letter was not even responded. The earlier Reports dated 25th April, 2003, 12th September, 2003 and 16th October, 2003 also pertain to the inaction of the petitioner - State regarding service of respondent. We expect the State and its counsel to act with responsibility. The State has been wholly negligent in prosecuting the petition. However, in the interests of justice, we grant one last opportunity to the State to serve the respondent. List the matter after four weeks.

(S. Thapar)

PS to Registrar

(V.P. Tyagi)

Court Master