

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
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Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 17167/2017

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 01-02-2017 in WP No. 1724/2017 passed by the High Court Of Judicature At Hyderabad For The State Of Telangana And The State Of Andhra Pradesh)

THE RAILWAY BOARD,
UNION OF INDIA & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

T.R.K. RAO

Respondent(s)

Date : 13-10-2017 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MADAN B. LOKUR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTAFor Petitioner(s) Mr. Ranjit Kumar, SG
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Mr. Varun Mathur, Adv.

UPON perusing papers the Court made the following

O R D E R

The petitioners are aggrieved by the impugned judgment and order dated 01.02.2017 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad for the State of Telangana and the State of Andhra Pradesh in W.P. No. 1724/2017.

The issue pertains to the date of birth of the respondent. The respondent joined the Railways in 1987. At the time of

joining, he indicated his date of birth as sometime in the year 1959. He was on probation for a period of three years. While on probation, he apparently applied for correction in his date of birth. The representation is not on record but we proceed on the basis that he did make such a representation. The representation was not considered.

The respondent made another representation on 19.04.1993 and that came to be rejected.

The respondent then approached the Court for correction in his date of birth in 2016 after he left the Railways. Entertaining the writ petition by the High Court after such a delay on the part of the respondent is not desirable.

In our opinion, the order passed by the High Court deserves to be set aside on the ground of delay and laches. We do so accordingly.

The special leave petition is disposed of.

(MEENAKSHI KOHLI)
COURT MASTER

(KAILASH CHANDER)
COURT MASTER