

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO.134 OF 2017

VETERANS FORUM FOR TRANSPARENCY IN  
PUBLIC LIFE THROUGH ITS GENERAL  
SECRETARY DR. BISHWANATH PRASAD SINGH ... PETITIONER(S)

VS.

UNION OF INDIA ... RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. Application for permission to appear and argue in person is allowed.

2. The issue projected through the instant petition, relates to an alleged conflict of interpretation placed on Section 13 of the Family Courts Act, 1984, by three different High Courts.

3. The petitioner before this Court, has approached this Court, purportedly in public interest. The petitioner was evidently not a party to any of the three judgments, which were pronounced by different High Courts. The issue raised by the petitioner, cannot be treated as a live controversy in relation to the petitioner. It can only be treated as of academic interest. In any event, the remedy against a judgment of the High Court cannot lie in the form of a petition under Article 32. For the above reasons, we decline to exercise our jurisdiction under Article 32 of the

Constitution. No fundamental right of the petitioner, protected by Part III of the Constitution, has been violated. We therefore, decline to entertain this petition.

4. The writ petition is dismissed in the above terms.

.....CJI.  
[JAGDISH SINGH KHEHAR]

.....J.  
[Dr. D.Y. CHANDRACHUD]

.....J.  
[SANJAY KISHAN KAUL]

New Delhi;  
27<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

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VETERANS FORUM FOR TRANSPARENCY IN PUBLIC LIFE  
THROUGH ITS GENERAL SECRETARY DR. BISHWANATH  
PRASAD SINGH

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA Respondent(s)  
(With appln.(s) for permission to appear and argue in person  
and office report)

Date : 27/03/2017 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE D.Y. CHANDRACHUD  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KISHAN KAUL

For Petitioner(s) in-person

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E RThe writ petition is dismissed in terms of the  
signed order.(Sarita Purohit)  
Court Master(Renuka Sadana)  
Assistant Registrar

(Signed order is placed on the file)