

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 (C) No(s).7868-7869/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 27-02-2025 in CWP No. 5588/2025 04-02-2025 in CWP No. 3072/2025 passed by the High Court of Punjab & Haryana at Chandigarh]

SANDEEP CHAUDHRY

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

JAGMAL SINGH JATAIN & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 102039/2025 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION, IA No. 71559/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No.95648/2025 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No. 95279/2025 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No. 104451/2025 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No. 102040/2025 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No.71562/2025 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

WITH

SLP(C) No.10323/2025 (IV-B)

(IA No.91759/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

Date : 20-05-2025 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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

1. These matters pertain to the elections of District Bar Associations of Karnal and Rohtak. There have been, however, complaints with respect to the fairness and transparency in conducting elections in various District Bar Associations in the State of Punjab and Haryana.
2. As of now, it is difficult to say whether there is any *prima facie* merit in the allegations and counter allegations. However, in order to ensure that the Bar Council, as a statutory body, remains above Board, we have suggested on the previous date of hearing that they may nominate a former Judge of the High Court, especially if anyone who is well-conversant with the functioning of the Bar Association/Bar Council, to act as the Election Tribunal, to conduct State wide elections. We are still awaiting the response from the State Bar Council.
3. We direct the Chairman of the Bar Council to submit a proposal in this regard within five days.
4. Post the matters on 27.05.2025.

(ARJUN BISHT)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI T.C.)  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR