

IN THE FEDERAL SHARIAT COURT
(Appellate Revisional Jurisdiction)

Present.

JUSTICE AGHA RAFIQ AHMED KHAN, CHIEF JUSTICE

Criminal Revision No.34/L of 2009.

Abdullah son of Muhammad Din
R/o Chak No.296-G.B, Tehsil Gojra.
District Toba Tek Sing..... Petitioner

Versus

1. The State
2 The Addl: Sessions Judge,
Lahore. Respondents.

Counsel for the petitioner	....	Mr.M.Amir Latif Sehr Bhutta Advocate.
Counsel for the State	....	Rana Muhammad Iqbal D.P.P, Punjab.
Case FIR No, date & Police Station.	.... ....	No.449, dated 21.05.2004, P.S Shafiq Abad, District Lahore.
Date of order of Trial Court	....	19.10.2009.
Date of institution..	....	19.12.2009.
Date of hearing.	....	15.10.2010. At Lahore.
Date of decision	....	<u>27-10-2010</u>

JUDGMENT

Justice Agha Rafiq Ahmed Khan, Chief Justice.— This

Revision Petition has been filed Under Article 203-DD of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan 1973, against the order dated 19.10..2009 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Lahore, respondent No.2, whereby he dismissed application under section 540 of the Code of Criminal Procedure moved by petitioner Abdullah for summoning Sub-Inspector Abdullah Ali Yousaf, DSP Asmatullah Khan Niazi, S.P Waseem Ahmad Khan and Sub-Inspector Akram Bajwa as court witnesses.



2. The brief facts leading to this revision petition are that a case was registered at Police Station Shafiq Abad, Lahore under section 10/16 of the Offence of Zina (Enforcement of Hudood) Ordinance IIV of 1979 read with sections 337-J/ 379 of the Pakistan Penal Code on the basis of report lodged by complainant Mst.Rukhsana against the present petitioner. After completing the investigation

the case was challaned and the same is pending ^{for} trial before the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Lahore,

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner moved an application under section 540 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for summoning the above named police officers as court witnesses, as according to him, the same were material witnesses. This application was dismissed on merits by the learned trial judge on 19.10.2009, therefore, the present revision petition has been filed.



4. Mr.M.Amir Latif Sehr Bhutta, Advocate for the petitioner argued that all these witnesses are material for just decision of the case and that Sub-Inspector Abdullah Ali Yousaf of Police Station Shafiq Abad, Lahore, had conducted the investigation and was present in the court when he was given up by the State counsel. According to him, the other police officers were also linked with the investigation, therefore, they should have also be summoned by the trial court as court witnesses. He relied on (i) 1988 M L D page 2435 (Lahore) titled Bashir Ahmad..Petitioner..Vs..The

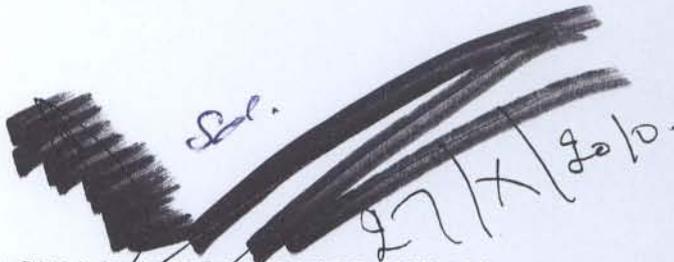
State..Respondent and (ii) 2004 P.Cr.L.J page 385 (Lahore) titled
Muhammad Ashraf..Petitioner...Vs...The State Respondent.

5. I have heard Mr.M.Amir Latif Sehr Bhutta, Advocate for
petitioner and Rana Muhammad Iqbal, DPP for the State and have
also gone through the entire record available before me.

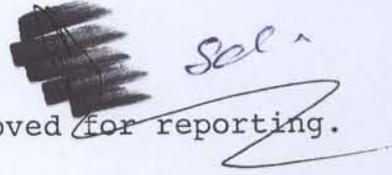
6. As far as Sub-Inspector Abdullah Ali Yousaf is concerned,
he had admittedly conducted some investigation and was shown as
prosecution witness. He was also present for the purpose of
recording his evidence but he was given up by the State counsel,
therefore, in my humble view his evidence is material for the just
decision of the case. The trial court should have called him as court
witness. As far as the other three witnesses are concerned, there is
nothing on record to suggest that they had also conducted any
investigation and had recorded the statement of any witnesses, etc,
therefore, the trial court had rightly declined the request of the
petitioner to call them as court witnesses. The petitioner may call
them as his witnesses in his defence, if so advised, at proper stage.



7. With the above observations, the revision petition is partly allowed to the extent of calling Sub-Inspector Abdullah Ali Yousaf as court witness.


JUSTICE AGHA RAFIQ AHMED KHAN
Chief Justice

Announced on 27/10/2010
at Islamabad
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Approved for reporting.