

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP No. 15682 of 2013

Date of decision: 24.07.2013

Sagan Lal

.... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab & another

.... Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present: Mr. Peeush Gagneja, Advocate for the petitioner.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL).

The instant writ petition has been filed in terms of raising a limited prayer for issuance of directions to the respondents to decide his mercy appeal/petition dated 13.06.2011 placed on record as Annexure P-3.

Counsel for the petitioner has been heard.

Even though the prayer on the face of it seems innocuous but I am of the considered view that it is only being used as a ploy to revive a stale claim.

As per pleadings on record, the petitioner had joined the police department as Constable in the year 1989. Vide order dated 10.02.1992, his services were discharged under Rule 12.21 of the Punjab Police Rules by the Assistant Inspector General of Police, Government of Railway Police Punjab, Patiala. It is against such order of discharge passed in the year 1992 that a mercy appeal/petition has been preferred by the petitioner in the year

2011.

In the light of such glaring facts, no directions can be issued for deciding such mercy appeal/petition preferred against the order of discharge after a period of almost 20 years.

The present writ petition is wholly misconceived and is accordingly, dismissed

July 24, 2013

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**