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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 04.09.2025

Devendra Singh Bisht

...Applicant

Versus

Sanjay Kumar and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: - Mr. Rohit Kumar, Advocate
for Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Advocate for the applicant
Mr. Atul Yadav, Advocate for the respondent

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. Through instant application under Section 11 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (for short '1996 Act'), the applicant is seeking appointment of an Arbitrator.
2. The parties entered into amended partnership deed dated 10.04.2015. A dispute erupted between the parties. The applicant served notice upon the respondent seeking resolution of dispute through Arbitral Tribunal but to no avail.
3. Mr. Atul Yadav, Advocate appeared and filed his Memorandum of Appearance on behalf of the respondents. The same is taken on record. Registry is directed to tag the same at an appropriate place.
4. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that the applicant has suggested three names and respondents have also suggested three names. They leave it to this Court to make appointment of an independent arbitrator.



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5. Conditions to invoke power conferred by Section 11(6) of 1996 Act stand satisfied, thus, I hereby appoint a Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the dispute between the parties.

6. Mr. Justice Ravi Shanker Jha, Former Chief Justice of this Court, residing at H.No. 913, Old B-68, Pandit Lajja Shankar Jha Road, Wright Town, Jabalpur-482001, Mobile No.9425153362 is hereby appointed as a Sole Arbitrator to adjudicate the dispute between the parties, subject to compliance of statutory requirements. The learned Arbitrator is requested to comply with mandate of Section 12 of 1996 Act before proceeding further.

7. The parties at the first instance will appear before the Arbitrator on 18.09.2025 at 10:00 AM and thereafter, as directed by learned Arbitrator.

8. The Arbitrator shall be paid fee in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the 1996 Act, as amended.

9. The Arbitrator is requested to complete the proceedings as per time limit specified under Section 29-A of the 1996 Act.

10. Needless to mention, parties would be at liberty to raise all the claims/defences/counter claims/pleas before the Arbitrator. Any observation made hereinabove will not be binding on the learned Arbitrator.

11. A request letter along with copy of this order be sent to Mr. Justice Ravi Shanker Jha.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

04.09.2025
Mohit Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No