COURT No.3 ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH: NEW DELHI

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OA 1552/2019 with MA 2509/2019

Lt Col Ravinder Singh Nandal (Retd) Applicant

VERSUS

Union of India and Ors. Respondents

For Applicant : Mr. Ajit Kakkar, Advocate For Respondents : Mr. Rajeev Kumar, Advocate

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA, MEMBER (J) HON'BLE REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG, MEMBER (A)

ORDER 03.07.2023

Four weeks' time is sought on behalf of the respondents to file the counter affidavit which has not been filed despite repeated orders dated 05.03.2020, 06.08.2020, 08.01.2021, 13.02.2023 and 27.03.2023 wherein vide order dated 27.03.2023 it was specifically stated to the effect:-

"Time is sought on behalf of the respondents to file the counter affidavit, the same be filed within four weeks as a last opportunity with an advance copy being supplied to the applicant, failing which, the right to file the same shall stand automatically closed."

In view thereof, no further opportunity can be granted to the respondents to file the counter affidavit. However, in the interest of justice, the original RMB proceedings be produced by the respondents on the next date of hearing and a copy thereof be placed on record.

The matter be re-notified for final hearing on 18.10.2023.

(JUSTICE ANU MALHOTRA) MEMBER (J)

(REAR ADMIRAL DHIREN VIG) MEMBER (A)