IN THE COURT OF APPEAL OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

C.A.948/98F

D.C Horana No:3074/P

Kandage Leeladasa Perera

Appukutti Arachchige Sirisena Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

Plaintiff

-Vs-

- Liyanage Robo Singo Barnunumulla,Bandaragama. Kandage Liladasa Bandaragama.
- (3) Kandage Karunawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (4) Kandage Alawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (5) Kandage Gilin Nona Bamunumulla, Bandaragarna.
- (6) Appukutti Arachchige Elo Singho Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (7) Appukutti Arachchige Violet Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (8) Kandage Leelawathi (dead) Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (BA) Kandage Kamalawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (9) Kandage Daya Premasiri Perera Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

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- (10) Kandage Munis Perera Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (11)Kandage Gulanis Perera Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (12)Pathirage Punawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (13)Pathirage Alan Nona Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (14)Pathirage Ratnawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (15)Hidallage Piyadasa Perera Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (16)Liyanage Diman Wapala Mahruthma Road, Wadduwa.
- (17) Pitipanage Simon Perera Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (18)Kandage Liyan Singho Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (19) Pathirage Richard Perera Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

Defendants

Now and Between

(2) Kandage Leeladasa (dead) Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

2nd Defendant Appellant

- (2a)Amaratungage Leelawathi
 (Wife of the Deceased)
 No:44,Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (2b) Kandage Chandana Sanjeewa Perera (son of the Deceased) No:44,Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

- (2c)Kandage Nadeeka Sanjeewani Perera (daughter of the deceased) No:44,Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (2d)Kandage Jayantha Perera
 (son of the deceased)
 No:44,Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (2e)Kandage Krishanthi Perera (daughter of the deceased) No:44,Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

2nd Defendant Substituted Appellants

-Vs-

Appukutti Arachchige Sirisena Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.

Plaintiff Respondent

- Liyanage Robo Singo Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (2) Kandage Liladasa
 Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (3) Kandage Karunawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (4) Kandage Alawathi Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
- (5) Kandage Gilin Nona Bamunumulla, Bandaragama.
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Defendant Respondents

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D.C. Horana Case No. 3074/P

Before : K.T. Chitrasiri, J.

Counsel:Harendra K. Perera for the Plaintiff-Respondent.Argued &
Decided on:05.02.2013.

K.T. Chitrasiri, J.

2nd, 9th and 19th Defendant-Appellants have filed notices of appeal challenging the judgment dated 11.12.1997. However, 2nd and 19th Defendant-Appellants have not filed petitions of appeal. Only the 9th Defendant-Appellant had filed a petition of appeal which is dated 09.03.1998.

Upon considering the aforementioned dates of the impugned judgment and the petition of appeal filed by the 9^{th} defendant-appellant, it is clear that the petition of appeal had been filed 60 days after the delivery of the impugned judgment. Therefore, it is seen that the petition of appeal had been filed

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contravening the provisions of the procedure stipulated in law. Therefore, this appeal should stand dismissed for not complying with Section 754 (4) of the Civil Procedure Code.

At this stage Miss. Hemamala Kumari, Attorney-at-Law informs court that she had been appearing for the 9th defendantappellant previously. However, she further submits that she has not received instructions from the appellant to appear in this case thereafter even though she has informed him to give instructions by way of a telegram.

9th defendant-appellant is absent and unrepresented in this Court today. Having perused the docket, I note that the appellant were given several dates, since 29.8.2011 to file substitution papers in order to substitute the heirs of the deceased parties. The appellant has not taken steps to do so. Without substitution being effected, merits of this appeal cannot be considered. It is the duty of the appellant to have the substitutions effected in order to proceed with the appeal. In the circumstances, it is clear that the appellant is not prosecuting the appeal diligently.

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Accordingly, I decide that this appeal should be dismissed under Rule 34 of the Supreme Court Rules as well.

For the aforesaid reasons I make order dismissing the appeal with costs.

Appeal dismissed.

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL

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