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

## CA Writ App. No. 27/2013

- L.M.D. Lalith Sagara
   No. 25, Pelawatta Road,
   Nugegoda.
- 2. W. C. Oharmapriya
  Nirosha Rice Mills, Kotawala Junction,
  Embilipitiya.
- 3. O.W.T. Athukorale No. 07, Park Avenue, Colombo 08.
- 4. S.H. Kandambi No. 62, Saman Building, Puttalam Road, Nochchiyagama.
- Y. Jaward
   Colombo Trade Centre,
   Kallanchiyagama,
   Kagama.
- 6. K. Kasthuriarachchi No. 28, Palal Road, Kawdana, Dehiwala.
- 7. C. Hettiarachchi Hettiarachchi Bros. (Pvt) Ltd., No. 34, Station Road, Gampola.

- 8. N.V. Somadasa Ambagawatta, Ratnapura, Kalawana.
- 9. R.M.S.A. Ratnayake No. 35, Wellewatta, Monaragala.
- 10. A.B.K. Silva No. 14, School Road, Passara.
- 11. M.H.M. faizel Stores, No. 63, Kurunegala Road, Rambukkana.
- 12. W.A. Mala De Priyanthi No. 119/1, Pagoda Road, Pitakotte.
- 13. R.M. Weerasekara
  No: 41, 1<sup>st</sup> Cross street,
  Ambathennawatta.
  sandarawela.
- 14. M.T.M. Saheed No: 37, Main Street, Muruthalawa.
- 15. M.R. Nazoordeen No: 211/B,Kandy Road, Kahatapitiya, Gampola.
- N.H. Amarasiri
   Ariyasiri Stores,
   Neluwa.

- 17. S.A.M. Nazaar No: 207/01, Balumgalawatta, Balumgala, Lagamuwa, Kadugannawa.
- J. RajapaksheHemachandra Stores,No. 07, Tissa Road,wellawaya.
- 19. A. Pathirana Saumya Rice Mills, 15" Mile post, Eppawela.
- 20. W .H. Kandarnbi samanala Niwasa, Yaya 17, Pahalamaragahawewa.

#### **Petitioner**

Vs.

- Lt. Gen. Jagath Jayasooriya
   Commander of the Sri Lanka Army,
   Army Headquarters,
   Colombo 03.
- Maj. Kariyawasam
   Army Headquarters,
   Colombo 03.
- Col. M.M.U. Jayaweera
   Commanding Officer,
   Independent Supply,
   Depot of Sri Lanka Army Service Corps,
   Army Headquarters,
   Colombo 03.

- 4. Maj. Dassanayake
  Commanding Officer,
  Independent Transport Squadron,
  Sri Lanka Army,
  Army Headquarters,
  Colombo 03.
- Urban Development Authority
  "Sethsiripaya",
  Battaramulla,
  Sri Jayawardenapura,
  Kotte.
- J.A. Ranjith
   Additional Secretary (Parliamentary & Civil Affairs),
   Ministry of Defence and Urban Development,
   No. 15/5,
   Baladaksha Mawatha,
   Colombo 03.
- Gotabhaya Rajapakse
   Secretary,
   Ministry of Defence and Urban Development,
   No. 15/5,
   Baladaksha Mawatha,
   Colombo 03.

## Respondents

Before

S. Sriskandarajah, J P/CA

Counsel

Farman Casim with Pasindu Silva

for the Petitioner.

Argued &

Decided on

15.02.2013

### S. Sriskandarajah, J P/CA

Heard learned counsel for petitioner in support of this application. The petitioner in this application is praying for a writ of certiorari to quash a decision contained in P22. The decision contained in P22 is in relation to a check point of the Sri Lanka Army which restricted the movement of people through that point. The petitioner contended that those are the points through wish the public have access to their shops and therefore they are not in a position to do business in their shops allocated. The petitioner also submits that the said premises which were allocated to the petitioner were not put in use because of the fact that these check points were in existence for some time and therefore the public has no access to the said premises. The Ministry of Defence and Urban Development has requested the Sri Lanka Army to consider whether they could pay rent to these buildings or to allow access to the public. The relief sought in this application is based

on facts and not on questions of law and therefore this court cannot issue writs in the nature that was sought in this application and therefore this court refuses to issue notice.

President of the Court of Appeal

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