ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

PRESENT

MR. SIKANDAR SULTAN RAJA, CHAIRMAN MR. NISAR AHMED DURRANI, MEMBER MR. SHAH MUHAMMAD JATOI, MEMBER MR. JUSTICE (R) IKRAM ULLAH KHAN, MEMBER

CASE No.F.8(3)/2024-Law-III

Subject:

ELECTION PETITION UNDER SECTION 142 OF THE ELECTION ACT, 2017 READ WITH ALL OTHER

ENABLING PROVISIONS OF LAW

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF ELECTION PETITION U/S 151 OF ELECTION ACT

Raja Khurram Shehzad Nawaz,

.....Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

Syed Muhammad Ali Bukhari

.....Respondent(s)

For the Petitioner

Raja Younis, Adv

For the Respondent :

Proxy Counsel Zakria Arif & Fida Hussain, AHC

Date of hearing

01-10-2024

ORDER

Sikandar Sultan Raja, Chairman- The matter is fixed for submission of amended application by the applicant and written reply by the respondent. Learned counsel for the applicant submitted power of attorney on behalf of applicant which is placed on the record. At the very outset the applicant sought time for submission of amended application and requested to pend the matter for two hours. The request was allowed and the matter was kept pending till 12:30 PM for submission of amended application by the applicant.

2. The case was again taken up on 12:30PM. The learned counsel for the applicant appeared and filed amended application. The copy of which is handed over to the proxy counsel of the respondent. The counsel for the applicant stated that he has filed supplementary/ additional submissions and no additional grounds have been raised in the



supplementary submissions and there is no need to file additional reply by the respondents. He also requested that if the respondent party has objection on the filing of supplementary submissions, the Commission can ignore them and he can argue the point during the course of arguments. Learned counsel for the Applicant highlighted that the Election Petition in the subject case is fixed for hearing before the Election Tribunal and it would be in the interest of justice for both the parties that during pendency of the transfer application the Commission may pass an order to the Election Tribunal not to proceed with the Election Petition till the final outcome of pending transfer application before the Commission. He also stated that otherwise the Commission may direct the Election Tribunal not to pass the final order till the decision of the transfer application.

- 3. On the other hand proxy counsel appeared on behalf of respondent and requested time to file written reply of the main petition and additional/ supplementary submissions. Request is allowed and the respondent is directed to file the written reply on or before the next date of hearing with advance copy to the counsel for the applicant.
- 4. We have gone through the original transfer application and additional/supplementary submissions submitted by the counsel for the applicant today and observed that the grounds raised by the applicant could not be decided without requisition of original record of Election Petition No.72/2024. Therefore the office is directed to issue a letter to the Election Tribunal to produce the original record of Election Petition No.72/2024 before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

5. The matter is adjourned for 04-10-2024 for filing of submission of written reply by the respondent, for arguments and production of original record by the Election Tribunal.

Sikandar Sultan Raja Chairman

Nisar Ahmed Durrani

Member

Shah Muhammad Jatoi

Member

Justice (R) Ikram Ullah Khan

Member