

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PAKISTAN

(Appellate Jurisdiction)

Present:

Mr. Justice Athar Minallah
Mr. Justice Irfan Saadat Khan
Mr. Justice Malik Shahzad Ahmad Khan

**Criminal Appeal No.314-L/2020 and Criminal Petition
No.1379-L/2015**

Against the judgment of the Lahore High Court, Lahore dated 24.11.2015 passed
in CrI. A. No. 1853/2011, MR 444/2011

Sajjad
(in CrI. A. 314-L/2020)

...Appellant
Petitioner(s)

Muhammad Sharif
(in CrI. P. 1379-L/2015)

VERSUS

The State, etc.

...Respondent(s)

For the Appellant/
Petitioner(s):

Ms. Aisha Tasneem, ASC
(in CrI. A.314-L/2020)
Nemo (in CrI.P. 1379-L/15)

For the State:

Mr. Tariq Siddique, Addl. PG, Pb.

Date of Hearing:

15.09.2025

ORDER

Athar Minallah, J.- For reasons to be recorded later, Criminal Appeal No. 314-L of 2020 out of Jail Petition No. 503 of 2015 is allowed and, consequently, the judgments of the High Court and the Trial Court dated 24.11.2015 and 20.10.2011 respectively are set aside. The appellant is acquitted from the charge framed against him by extending the benefit of doubt. In case he is not required to be incarcerated in any other matter then he shall forthwith be released. Likewise, Criminal Petition No. 1379-L of 2015 is dismissed since it has become infructuous because of the acquittal of the appellant.

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