

Supreme Court of India

Qamruddin vs Acqeel And Ors. on 25 February, 1980

Equivalent citations: AIR 1982 SC 1229, 1982 CriLJ 1741 a, 1981 Supp (1) SCC 58

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Bench: P Kailasam, S M Ali

JUDGMENT S. Murtaza Fazal Ali, J.

1. This appeal by Special Leave is directed against an order of the High Court of Allahabad 9-5-1978 allowing the appeal and acquitting the respondents of the charges framed against them.
2. We have gone through the judgment of the Allahabad High Court and have also heard counsel for the parties.
3. The trial Court had convicted the accused on a full and complete appraisal of the evidence. The High Court in appeal has written a very cryptic judgment and has not tried to displace some of the important reasons given by the trial Court nor. has it made any attempt to scan the intrinsic merits of the evidence. We are satisfied that the judgment of the High Court is not in accordance with the law. In these circumstances therefore we allow this appeal and remand the case to the High Court for fresh disposal according to law. The respondents will continue to remain on bail, so long as the appeal is decided by the High Court. It is however open to the appellant to move the High Court for cancellation of the bail if the respondents misuse their privilege. Any observations made by us have been made only for the purpose of this appeal and will not prejudice the decision of the High Court on merits.