

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

In the matter of an Application for Orders in the nature of Writs of Certiorari, Prohibition and Mandamus under Article 140 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

**CA (Writ) Application No: 227/2016**

1. Mathugma Widaneralalage  
Kumalasiri Mathugama  
Udawela Road, Matiyagane.
2. Palitha Priyantha Samarasekara Wellage,  
No. 8H, Dadalla Cross Road, Galle.
3. Wijethunga Mudiyanseelage Chandrapala,  
No. 12/11 A, Hingurugamuwa Road,  
Oyewatta, Badulla.
4. Konara Mudiyanseelage Nimal Karunathilleke,  
No. 67, Jayasenagama,  
Kumbukkana, Monaragala.
5. Daunda Mudiyanseelage Ashoka Kumara,  
No. 452, Ekamuthugama, Uhan, Ampara.

**PETITIONERS**

Vs.

1. Sri Lanka Transport Board.
2. Ramal Siriwardane,  
Chairman,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board.
- 2A. Kingsley Ranawaka,  
Chairman,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board.
3. P.D. Balasooriya,

Chief Executive Officer,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board.

4. Indika Kulathilake,  
Deputy General Manager (Administration),  
Sri Lanka Transport Board.

5. P.P. Peiris,  
Chief Human Resources Manager,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board.

5A. H.P.S. Walgmpaya,  
Chief Human Resources Manager,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board.

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2A, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 5A Respondents at 200,  
Kirula Road,  
Narahenpita, Colombo 5.

6. W.D. Wasantha,  
Chief Regional Manager (Ruhuna)  
Regional Office,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Magalla, Galle.

6A. R. A. P. Kumara,  
Chief Regional Manager (Ruhuna Region)  
Regional Office (Ruhuna),  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Magalla, Galle.

7. D.M.D. Dissanayake,  
Chief Regional Manager Nuwara Eliya,  
Regional Office, Sri Lanka Transport Board,  
Atabage, Dalpitiya.

8. Nihal Somaweera,  
Secretary,  
Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.

8A. P. S Widanage,  
Secretary,  
Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation,

8B. H.M. Gamini Seneviratne,

Secretary,  
Ministry of Passenger Transport  
Management.

9. Nimal Siripala De Silva,  
Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation

8, 8A and 9<sup>th</sup> Respondents at No. 01, D.R.  
Wijewardena Mawatha, Colombo 10.

- 9A. Mahinda Amaraweera,  
Ministry of Passenger Transport  
Management.  
8B and 9A Respondents at 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Stage II,  
Sethsiripaya, Battaramulla.

10. S.D. Sunil,  
Gampaha Depot,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Warallawatta,  
Gampaha.

11. Chinthaka Devinda Godage,  
Galle Depot,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Galle.

12. G.H. Nimal De Silva,  
Badulla Depot,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Badulla.

13. R.M. Athulya Thushara Chaminda,  
Monaragala Depot,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Monaragala.

14. Anura Dodanthanna,  
Hatton Depot,  
Sri Lanka Transport Board, Hatton.

## **RESPONDENTS**

**Before:** **Mahinda Samayawardhena, J**  
**Arjuna Obeyesekere, J**

**Counsel:** Saliya Peiris, P.C., with Thishya Weragodoa and Pulasthi Rupesinghe for the Petitioners

Lal Wijenayake with Ranjith Ranawaka for the 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Respondents

Pasindu Silva with Kavindu Geeganage for the 6<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Respondents

Ms. Yuresha Fernando, Senior State Counsel for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Respondents

**Argued on:** 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020

**Decided on:** 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020

**Arjuna Obeyesekere, J**

This matter was taken up for argument together with CA (Writ) Application No. 223/2016. All learned Counsel agreed that this Court can determine CA (Writ) Application No. 223/2016, and that all parties to this application will be bound by the judgment that would be made in CA (Writ) Application No. 223/2016.

By the judgment delivered today in CA (Writ) Application No. 223/2016, I have refused the relief prayed for by the Petitioners in the said application, and dismissed the said application, without costs. Hence, in view of the aforementioned agreement of the parties, this application must also stand dismissed, without costs.

**Judge of the Court of Appeal**

**Mahinda Samayawardhena, J**

I agree

**Judge of the Court of Appeal**