IN THE COURT OF APPEAL ON APPEAL FROM THE HIGH COURT

CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. AAU 0093 OF 2013 (High Court Case No. HAM 147 of 2012)

BETWEEN : MELI VALETIRI

APPELLANT

AND : THE STATE

RESPONDENT

<u>CORAM</u> : Chandra JA

Goundar JA

<u>COUNSEL</u>: Ms N. Nawasaitoga for Appellant

Mr. L. Fotofili for Respondent

Date of Hearing : 24 July 2014

<u>Date of Judgment</u>: 24 July 2014

JUDGMENT

- [1] This is an application for abandonment of appeal. The appellant filed a notice of abandonment on 17 June 2014. The notice is signed by the appellant. The appellant informed this Court that he decided to abandon his appeal-after seeking advice from his legal counsel. He further informed the Court that he made the decision to abandon his appeal freely and voluntarily, and with the full understanding that his appeal will be dismissed.
- [2] We grant the appellant leave to abandon his appeal.

[3] The appeal is dismissed.

Hon. Justice S. Chandra

JUSTICE OF APPEAL

(Cu

Hon. Justice D. Goundar JUSTICE OF APPEAL

Solicitors:

Office of the Director of Legal Aid Commission for the Appellant Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions for the State