#### IN THE COURT OF APPEAL, FIJI

[On Appeal from the High Court]

## <u>CIVIL APPEAL NO. ABU 063 of 2023</u> [In the High Court at Lautoka Case No. 0311 of 2003]

**<u>BETWEEN</u>** : <u>SUNIL DEO SHARMA</u> and <u>MAYA WATI</u> both of 5042 Hemlock

Street, Sacramento CA 9584 as Executors and Trustees of the **Estate** 

of Deo Prasad late of Viseisei, Vuda.

<u>Appellants</u> [Original Plaintiffs]

<u>AND</u>: <u>TUKAI RASIGA</u> of Viseisei, Lautoka, Unemployed.

<u>Respondent</u>
[Original Defendant]

**Coram**: Prematilaka, RJA

Counsels : Mr. P. Niubalavu for the Appellants

**Respondent in person** 

**Date of Notice of** 

Discontinuance : 19 December 2024

Date of Ruling : 14 April 2025

# **RULING IN CHAMBERS**

- [1] The court file along with the notice of discontinuance was forwarded to me for a ruling in Chambers on 09 April 2025 when it had been filed in the Court of Appeal Registry on 19 December 2024. Hence, the delay in delivering this ruling.
- [2] The appellant (original plaintiff) had filed a notice of appeal on 11 July 2023 containing grounds of appeal against the High Court ruling delivered on 15 June 2023.

- [3] Security for cost of \$3000.00 had been determined on 20 September 2023 and duly paid on 20 October 2023 by the appellant.
- [4] However, the solicitors for the appellant had on 19 December 2024 filed a Notice of Discontinuance which had been signed by the respondent as well. The respondent had consented to the withdrawal of the appeal.

## Orders of the Court:

- [1] The application by the appellant to withdraw/discontinue the appeal is allowed.
- [2] Appeal is accordingly dismissed in terms of section 20(1)(h) of the Court of Appeal Act.
- [3] No order as to cost.



Hon. Mr Justice C. Prematilaka
RESIDENT JUSTICE OF APPEAL

### **Solicitors:**

Messrs Fazilat Shah Legal Lawyers for the Appellants Respondent in person