IN THE COURT OF APPEAL, FIJI [On Appeal from the High Court]

<u>CIVIL APPEAL NO. ABU 024 of 2025</u> [In the High Court at Lautoka Case No. HBC 149 of 2024]

<u>BETWEEN</u>	:	HOTEL BULA-BARD PTE LIMITED a private company having
		its registered office at Lot 12, Wasawasa Road, Nadi, Viti Levu.

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

AND	:	MID-WEST HOLDINGS PTE LIMITED a private company having its registered office at Corner Point, Corner of Nadi Back Road, Nadi.
<u>Coram</u>	:	<u>Respondent</u> [Original Plaintiff] Prematilaka, RJA
<u>Counsel</u>	:	Ms. M. Chowdhury for the Appellants Absent and unrepresented
Date of Mention	:	25 April 2025
<u>Date of Notice of</u> <u>Discontinuance</u>	:	17 April 2025
Date of Ruling	:	25 April 2025

RULING IN CHAMBERS

- The solicitors for the appellant have filed a notice of discontinuance with no order for cost on 17 April 2025.
- [2] This relates to an *ex-parte* summons by the appellant for stay of the judgment of the Master of the High Court and a restraining order on the respondent from executing the said judgment

pending appeal. However, this court so far has not made the summons *inter parte* and as a result the respondent has not been served with the notice of appeal and the summons for the said orders.

[3] Ms. M. Chowdhury informed court that the reason for the appeal to be discontinued is that the appeal should have been filed in the High Court.

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 costs.



Hon. Mr. Justice C. Prematilaka

RESIDENT JUSTICE OF APPEAL

Solicitors:

Neel Shivam Lawyers for the Petitioner Absent and unrepresented for the Respondent