

CWP-PIL-181-2026 (O&M)

ARVIND SETH V/S STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

Present: Petitioner – Mr. Arvind Seth, in person.

Mr. Vishwajeet Singh, Ex. Member and
Ms. Sumanjit Kaur, Ex. Member in person.

Mr. Rohit Sud, President, HCBA, with
Mr. Parampreet Singh Bajwa, Secretary, HCBA,
Mr. Ashish Rana, Treasurer, HCBA,
Mr. Aashish Bishnoi, V. President, HCBA and
Ms. Kirandeep Kaur, Joint Secretary, HCBA in person.

Petitioner is a practicing lawyer in this Court, who has raised a concern regarding denial of access to justice to litigants in the State of Punjab on account of ongoing protest by the lawyers.

It is submitted that protest by legitimate means is well recognized for highlighting issues of importance, but while doing so it is not open for anyone to interfere with the administration of justice or to deny access of justice to the litigants.

Prayer has been made in the present petition for this Court to interfere in such circumstances.

On our request, the President of the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association, as well as some of the members of the Bar Council and learned Senior Counsels, have appeared before the Court. They are of the view that such issues ought to be resolved amicably at the level of the Bar itself.

We hope and trust that wiser heads will prevail and this Court would not be called upon to deal with the issue raised in the present matter, on judicial side.

On joint request of the parties, list this matter once again on 23.07.2026.

(ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA)
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

(ROHIT KAPOOR)
JUDGE

20.07.2026
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