ARMED FORCES TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH NEW DELHI

F.No. 22(2)/2017/AFT/PB/Judl/Circular

Dated: 24th August, 2023

CIRCULAR

It is for information of Members of the Bar, Parties-in-Person and all concerned that the Hon'ble Tribunal, vide order dated 17.04.2023 in OA 1901/2022 with MA 2509/2022 directed that in several cases, copies of the affidavit in opposition, rejoinder affidavit, copies of the pleadings, petitions and applications are not served on all the counsel representing different parties.

Army Group Insurance Fund (AGIF), New Delhi, vide letter dated 04.08.2023 has also stated that copies of OA filed before AFT, where AGIF is made as Respondent, be served directly to AGIF by the Counsel for the Applicants before listing of the case in AFT, to avoid delayed filing of Counter Affidavit or AGIF going unrepresented. The hard copy of such OA or other pleadings may be sent to AGIF or handover to Mrs Anjali Vohra (Mob: 9811087442), designated Counsel of the AGIF, the soft copy may be sent to AGIF through Email: itdirlegal@armygroupinsurance.in.

Therefore, it is to be ensured that copies of pleadings, petitions/applications, counter/reply affidavits, rejoinder affidavits etc. are served on all the parties appearing in the case, through counsel or otherwise before filing the same in the filing counter of the Armed Forces Tribunal, except when the Court, by order, exempts from doing so. The said documents shall not be accepted in the Registry (Filing Section) unless they contain an endorsement of service signed by such party or parties.

(Ila Kandpal) Deputy Registrar (J)

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