ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Suit No.1396 of 2013

Date Order with Signature of Judge(s)

For hearing of CMA No.12395/2013.

04.03.2020

Chaudhry Atif Rafiq, advocate for the plaintiff. Mr. Bahzad Haider, advocate for the defendants No.1 & 2. Ms. Fatima Mehdi, advocate holding brief for Samar R. Imtiaz. Mr. Majid Bashir, advocate for the defendant No.4.

This is a suit filed by the renowned music composer, arranger, producer, lyricist and music teacher of international repute, Sohail Ahmed Rana, in respect of the infringement of intellectual property rights.

Learned counsel for the plaintiff placed before this court a copy of the Intellectual Property Organization of Pakistan Act, 2012, pursuant to Section 18 whereof, all suits and civil proceedings regarding infringement and intellectual property laws are required to be tried before the learned Tribunal constituted thereunder.

Learned counsel has also placed before this court a copy of the report of the MIT-II (dated 18.03.2017 and referenced 1510/MIT-II/transfer of cases of intellectual property), whereby the *Honourable Chief Justice* had passed certain orders, in this regard, based upon the opinion of *Munib Akhtar, J.* (as he then was).

Learned counsel for the plaintiff draws attention to paragraph 9(e) of the aforesaid opinion, whereby it had been elucidated that suits pending on the original side regarding intellectual property laws are to be transferred to the relevant tribunal.

It is in this context that the office is directed to place this matter before the Honourable Chief Justice for guidance.

Adjourned.

JUDGE

Khuhro/PA