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Prof. Uma Coomaraswamy
Competent Authority
Council Chairman
Eastern University of Sri Lanka
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Chenkalady

Dear Professor,

SCFR APPLICATION NO. 397/15

I write to you on the instructions of my client, Dr. K. Kobindarajah of 130, Kannaki Amman, Kovil, Lake Road, Poompohar, Batticaloa.

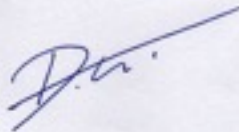
In the Supreme Court, Mr. Uditha Egalahewa, President's Counsel appeared for my client and you were represented by the Hon. Attorney General.

My client complained to Court that you have illegally and in violation of the below mentioned University Grants Commission (UGC) circulars, have excluded my client's name from the ballot paper, depriving him the opportunity to seek election to the office of Vice Chancellor as per UGC Circular No. 880. As you are already aware, when this matter came up for support in the Supreme Court, before His Lordship the Chief Justice, the Supreme Court made order to proceed with the appointment process, subsequent to the paper advertisement published in the newspapers on 7 October, 2015, calling for applications for the post of Vice Chancellor Eastern University of Sri Lanka, strictly adhering to the procedure laid down in the Universities Grants Commission Circular Nos. 880 and Establishment Circular letter 15/2006, read with section 34 of the Universities Act.

Please note that in terms of the said Circulars, the Council has to prepare a ballot paper containing names of all applicants for whom the members of the Council Members may vote by secret ballot. The court, in the said deliberations, endorsed the view that the purported report referred to in the letter dated 1 September, 2015, sent by the Additional Secretary, Presidential Secretariat, ought not to be considered in the selection process.

In the circumstances, my client requests you to include his name in the ballot paper and grant him reasonable time to make the presentation to the Members of the Council before the secret ballot is taken.

Yours faithfully,



Copy: , Dr. K. Kobindarajah ,
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