IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA (LAND DIVISION) AT DAR ES SALAAM

MISC LAND APPLICATION NO. 659 OF 2020

REV. PETER PETER JUNIOR.....APPLICANT

VERSUS

DICKSON SHABAN MAKAMBA1 ^S	RESPONDENT
TIGO TANZANIA LIMITED2 ^{NI}	RESPONDENT
AIRTEL TANZANIA LIMITED3RD	
HUSSEIN ALLY SALUM4TH	

Date of Last Order: 15.11.2021 Date of Ruling: 10.12.2021

RULING

V.L. MAKANI, J

This ruling is in respect of the preliminary objections raised by the $1^{\rm st}$ respondent namely, DISCKSON SHABANI MAKAMBA that:

- 1. The Honourable Court has not been moved properly.
- 2. Affidavit supporting application is fatally defective for containing defective jurat of attestation.

The preliminary objection was argued by way of written submissions. Submissions on behalf of the $1^{\rm st}$ respondent was drawn and filed by

Mr. Adrian Mhina, Advocate. The applicant did not file submissions in reply and so the matter proceeded ex-parte against him..

Mr. Mhina argued that, the applicant's prayer is for the court to set aside the dismissal order in Land Case No.292 of 2016 dated 07/06/2017. That the applicant's prayer is under Order IX Rule 9(1) of the Civil Procedure Code, CAP 33 RE 2002. He maintained that Order IX Rule 9(1) of the Civil Procedure Code, Cap 33 RE 2002 is for setting aside ex-parte judgment and not for setting aside a dismissal order. Further, Item 31 of the Schedule to GN. No. 140 of 2020 is to the effect that the Civil Procedure Code, Cap 33 RE 2002 shall be cited as CAP 33 RE 2019 and not CAP 33 RE 2002 as cited by the applicant. Mr. Mhina relied on the case of Iddie Mwinyi vs. National Bank of Commerce & Misngeme Mbitu [2001] TLR 83. Mr. Mhina did not submit on the second point of preliminary objection, he thus prayed for the application to be struck out with costs.

The main issue for consideration is whether the preliminary objection raised by the 1st respondent has merit. It is apparent that <u>Revised</u> Edition 2002 is no longer in existence. This application was made

under Order IX Rule 9(1) of the Civil Procedure Code CAP 33 RE 2002. It is common knowledge that by virtue of the General Laws Revision Notice, 2020, the laws specified in the Schedule to the Notice were revised and published as 2019 Revised Edition which included amendments of up to November, 2019. The **2019 Revised Edition** supersedes all previous Revised Editions in respect of the laws specified in the Schedule. The Civil Procedure Code, 1966 CAP 33 is listed as among the revised laws in the 2019 Revised Edition. In that respect, the cited provision of Order IX Rule (1) of Civil Procedure Code, 1966 CAP 33 RE 2002 does not exist as it has been superseded by the Civil Procedure Code, 1966 CAP 33 RE 2019. Consequently, this court has not been conferred with any jurisdiction to entertain the matter as the provision cited is under non-existing laws.

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The court may have invoked the overriding principle to cure the error, but unfortunately, Order IX Rule 9(1) of the Civil Procedure Code CAP 33 RE 2002 does not exist in the current Civil Procedure Code CAP 33 RE 2019. In other words, in the new Revised Edition of 2019 Order IX Rule 9(1) is not in existence at all.

For the reasons above, the preliminary objection has merit to the extent stated above. The application is therefore struck out with costs.

It is so ordered.

V.L. MAKANI JUDGE

10/12/2021