

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI****Crl. Bail Application No. 2090 of 2023**

Applicant : Rizwan Abu Talib  
through Mr. Shamshad Ali Qureshi, Advocate

Respondent : The State  
through Mr. Muhammad Iqbal Awan, Addl.P.G.  
along with complainant

Date of short order : 1<sup>st</sup>. December, 2023

Date of reasons : 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

**ORDER**

**Omar Sial, J:** Rizwan Abu Talib has sought post-arrest bail in crime number 300 of 2023 registered under section 364-A P.P.C. at the New Town police station. His earlier bail plea was dismissed on 05.09.2023 by the learned 7<sup>th</sup> Additional Sessions Judge, Karachi East.

2. The F.I.R. mentioned above was registered on 11.08.2023 on the complaint of Zeeshan Ahmed. Zeeshan recorded that when he returned home on the night of 10.08.2023, he found his little daughter weeping under a bed. She told her father that two boys had come into the house, taken three mobile phones, and kidnapped his 12-year-old son.

3. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant, the learned Additional Prosecutor General, and the complainant, Zeeshan Ahmed. My observations are as follows.

4. The learned Additional Prosecutor General informed the court that the investigator had obtained CCTV footage of the premises, which showed that two boys had come to the complainant's home and taken the little boy with them on a motorcycle. Neither of the two boys was identified as the applicant. When queried as to how the applicant was involved in this crime,

the learned Additional Prosecutor General said that the kidnapped boy was kept at a call centre for a few hours by the persons who had kidnapped him and that the applicant owned the call centre. The police investigation has, however, revealed that there is a strong possibility that the applicant had sold off the call centre earlier to the person who is said to be the main mastermind of the crime.

5. Zeeshan Ahmed himself stated that his son had been kidnapped by a person with whom he has business dealings and who claims that Zeeshan owes him money. His son was returned to him after eight hours of his kidnapping by the kidnappers themselves. Zeeshan supported the submissions made by the learned Additional Prosecutor General and quite categorically stated that the applicant was not one of the boys seen on the CCTV and that he had nothing to do with the crime. Zeeshan also reiterated the story of the call centre being previously owned by the applicant, in which the boy was taken initially. Prima facie Zeeshan did not seem to be in fear or pressure.

6. Given the above, the case against the applicant is one of further inquiry.

7. Above are the reasons for the short order dated 01.12.2023.

JUDGE