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Analysis on the Provisions of F.I.R U/S. 154 of Cr.P.C with Special Reference to Lalita Kumari V. State of Up Air 2012 Sc 1515

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Abstract: A writ petition of Habeas Corpus was filed under The Indian Constitution, 1950 Article 32 by Lalita Kumari (minor) through her father, since no report or an FIR was registered by the police on being informed of commission of a cognizable offence, which in this case was kidnapping. A question was raised in the court whether registering a report or an FIR is mandatory under the Section 154 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. After being referred to a Constitutional Bench, the court on hearing various arguments from both, the petitioner and respondents, concluded that it is mandatory to register an FIR, if the reported information is commission of a cognizable offence. The Court further, provided with several guidelines regarding the registration of an FIR.

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