

*Judgement of the Lords of the Judicial Committee  
of the Privy Council on the petition for  
special leave to appeal of Louis de Souza,  
from the Supreme Court of British Guiana,  
delivered December 1st, 1888.*

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Present :

LORD WATSON.

LORD HOBHOUSE.

SIR RICHARD COUCH.

[*Delivered by Lord Watson.*]

THE main ground of the appeal which Mr. De Souza desires to prosecute is, that it was not within the competency of the Court below to deal with his case as one of contempt of Court. *Primâ facie* that objection to the proceedings which took place appears to be well founded; and their Lordships will therefore humbly recommend Her Majesty to grant the petitioner leave to appeal upon depositing the usual security in the Registry of the Privy Council.

With regard to the second part of the application—the staying of execution in the mean time—their Lordships have no power to make any judicial representation to Her Majesty touching the exercise of the prerogative right of the Crown. Any application for that purpose must be made in some other quarter.

