

Anina files application to freeze Najib's assets

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Langkawi Wanita Umno member Anina Saadudin has today filed an application for mareva injunction to freeze the Umno president and Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's assets.

Umno terminated Anina's membership after she filed a lawsuit against Najib and the party over the US\$700 million (RM2.6 billion) deposited into the PM's bank account, but she is challenging the sacking.

Anina's lawyer Hanif Khatri Abdullah told Malaysiakini the application to freeze Najib's assets was filed this morning.

“The freezing of the assets will be until the disposal of this suit,” he said.

Anina, in a Facebook posting said the assets include Najib's house on Jalan Langgak Duta, Kuala Lumpur and the balance US\$650 million of the donation in dispute.

Besides this, Anina is also seeking that Najib declare the shares he owns, and also for the PM to within 10 days of the court order make a sworn affidavit listing his assets locally and also abroad, either which he individually owns or on a joint ownership.

A mareva injunction as in Commonwealth jurisdiction, is an order sought in court to freeze assets so that a defendant in a legal action cannot dissipate their assets from beyond the jurisdiction of a court, so as to frustrate a judgment. (Read the full application below)

Anina also filed for a judgment of admission on one of the declarations sought - that the RM2.6 billion is a political donation.

Najib admitted that it was a donation, after the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission made its findings as such to public.

If a judgment on admission is given, the matter need not be resolved through a proper trial when witnesses are called to testify.

However, Hanif (photo) said other issues or prayers sought by Anina including a return of the balance of the amount would have to go for a full trial.

In Anina's supporting affidavit to the judgment of admission application, she cited five articles from the print and online media. This follows an application in her suit for details of all monies in the AmPrivate Banking Account No 2112022009694, belonging to Najib.

Hanif further said case management for the suit and this application has been fixed on Monday, where her client hopes to get dates to hear the application.

Anina's suit

Anina in her Facebook posting said she had filed the applications based on existing principles in law that exist in civil action and she would let the court decide on the matter.

"I believe that on Monday, the court would give the necessary orders in relation to 'Najib's breach of trust' allegation and the two applications that had been filed today.

"I file these actions for Umno's interests, a party which I love," she added.

Anina had three weeks ago filed a suit where she named Najib and Umno executive secretary Abdul Rauf Yusoh as defendants.

Anina is seeking an injunction against Najib and Abdul Rauf or their agents in the disciplinary board, state liaison body, divisions, and branches to be restrained from removing, suspending, and taking disciplinary action on her, pending the disposal of this action.

The complainant is also seeking a repayment amounting to US\$650 million - the amount reportedly deposited by Najib in a Singapore bank - and an account of all monies that he had received in the form of donations.

Anina had also last Friday filed a suit against Umno secretary-general Tengku Adnan Mansor (photo) and Abdul Rauf following the automatic expulsion order, after filing the suit on Najib.

She is seeking a declaration that the two letters issued by Tengku Adnan announcing her automatic expulsion to be invalid, void and have no effect on her Umno membership.

The second relief is for an order that her expulsion from Umno is invalid and void.