EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS
COUR EUROPÉENNE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME

THIRD SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 59748/13
Sefedin DOCI
against Albania

The European Court of Human Rights (Third Section), sitting on 10 November 2022 as a Committee composed of:

Ioannis Ktistakis*, President*,
Darian Pavli,
Andreas Zünd*, judges*,
and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 3 August 2013,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Sefedin Doci, was born in 1977. He was represented by Mr S. Demiraj, a lawyer practising in Tirana.

Under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention the applicant complained that the decisions given by the domestic courts, having refused to order a second expert examination of the applicant's deceased wife, and which then had found him guilty of her murder, were not adequately reasoned and amounted to a violation of the principle of equality of arms.

The application was communicated to the Albanian Government who submitted observations on the admissibility and merits.

The observations were forwarded to the applicant, who was invited to submit his own observations. No reply was received by the Court.

By letter dated 19 January 2022, sent by registered post, the applicant was notified that the period allowed for the submissions of his observations in reply to those of the Government had expired on 13 July 2021 and that no extension of time had been requested. The applicant's attention was drawn to Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention, which provides that the Court may strike an application out of its list of cases where the circumstances lead to the conclusion that the applicant does not intend to pursue the application.

The applicant received that letter on 31 January 2022. However, no response has followed.

THE LAW

In the light of the foregoing, the Court concludes that the applicant may be regarded as no longer wishing to pursue his application (Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention). Furthermore, in accordance with Article 37 § 1 *in fine*, the Court finds no special circumstances regarding respect for human rights as defined in the Convention and the Protocols thereto which require the continued examination of the application.

In view of the above, it is appropriate to strike the case out of the list.

For these reasons, the Court, unanimously,

Decides to strike the application out of its list of cases.

Done in English and notified in writing on 1 December 2022.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Ioannis Ktistakis President