

## Application by the President of the Romanian High Court of Cassation struck off the list of cases

In its decision in the case of [Corbu v. Romania](#) (application no. 52168/18) the European Court of Human Rights has unanimously decided to strike the application off the list of cases.

### Principal facts

The applicant, Corina-Alina Corbu, is a Romanian national who was born in 1972 and lives in Bucharest.

The case concerned the length of the criminal proceedings against the applicant, which had begun with an investigation in February 2012 that had led to her acquittal in a judgment delivered in May 2018 by the High Court of Cassation. At the relevant time, Ms Corbu was a judge of the High Court of Cassation. She has been President of the latter court since September 2019.

On 11 October 2021 Ms Corbu informed the European Court that she no longer wished to pursue her application before it. She considered, firstly, that the consequences of any possible violations complained of had been eliminated since she had lodged her application, both at the personal and professional level and in terms of society as a whole, and secondly, that her current professional position as President of the supreme judicial authority should be used exclusively in the public interest and not to defend private interests.

On 29 October 2021 the Government informed the Court that they had no objections to the striking out of the case.

### Complaints, procedure and composition of the Court

The complaint concerned Article 6 § 1 (right to a fair trial) of the Convention.

The application was lodged with the European Court of Human Rights on 1 November 2018.

The decision was given by a Committee of three judges, composed as follows:

Tim Eicke (the United Kingdom), *President*,  
Faris Vehabović (Bosnia and Herzegovina),  
Pere Pastor Vilanova (Andorra),

and also Ilse Freiwirth, *Deputy Registrar*.

### Decision of the Court

In the light of the foregoing considerations and in the absence of any special circumstances relating to respect for the rights guaranteed by the Convention or its Protocols, the Court, pursuant to Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention, considered that it was no longer justified to continue the examination of the application, which the applicant no longer wished to pursue. It should therefore be struck out of the list.

*The decision is available only in French.*

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