

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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 20415/07 Dmitriy Aleksandrovich ZUBOV against Russia and 2 other applications (see list appended)

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 28 January 2014 as a Committee composed of:

Khanlar Hajiyev, President,

Julia Laffranque,

Erik Møse, judges,

and André Wampach, Deputy Section Registrar,

Having regard to the above applications,

Having regard to the decision to apply the pilot-judgment procedure taken in the case of *Burdov v. Russia (no. 2)* (no. 33509/04, ECHR 2009),

Having regard to the declarations submitted by the respondent Government on various dates requesting the Court to strike the applications out of the list of cases,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

THE FACTS

The applicants are Russian nationals whose names and dates of birth are tabulated in the appendix to this decision. The Russian Government ("the Government") are represented by Mr G. Matyushkin, the Representative of the Russian Federation at the European Court of Human Rights.

The applicants complained under Article 6 and Article 1 of Protocol No. 1 of the Convention of the authorities' failure to enforce court judgments in their favour in due time. Some of the applicants also raised grievances under other provisions of the Convention.



THE LAW

The Court gave notice to the Government of the application of Mr Zubov on 18 January 2013 and of the applications of Mr Paramonov and Mr Storozhenko on 14 May 2013. The Government were requested to settle the cases in line with the *Burdov (no. 2)* judgment, cited above.

In response the Government informed the Court that the applicants had died before the communication of their complaints: Mr Zubov died on 23 July 2007, Mr Paramonov died on 11 May 2011 and Mr Storozhenko died on 12 December 2012. The Government asked the Court to strike these applications out of its list of cases as no legal successors had joined the proceedings.

The Court notes that no heirs or close relatives have expressed the wish to pursue the applications on behalf of the deceased applicants. It has been the Court's practice to strike applications out of the list of cases under Article 37 § 1 of the Convention in the absence of any heir or close relative who has expressed the wish to pursue an application (see *Léger v. France* (striking out) [GC], no. 19324/02, § 44, 30 March 2009, with further references). 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 its Protocols which require the continued examination of the cases.

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

For these reasons, the Court unanimously

Decides to join the applications;

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

André Wampach Deputy Registrar Khanlar Hajiyev President

APPENDIX

No	Application No	Lodged on	Applicant name date of birth place of residence
1.	20415/07	29 March 2007	Dmitriy Aleksandrovich Zubov 18 August 1936 Rostov-on-Don
2.	33815/07	27 June 2007	Vladimir Alekseyevich Paramonov 3 January 1952 Shakhty, the Rostov Region
3.	13712/08	6 February 2008	Anatoliy Aleksandrovich Storozhenko 4 January 1938 Novovoronezh, the Voronezh Region