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1. List and curricula vitae of candidates submitted by the Government of Armenia[1]

Letter from Mr Arman Khachatryan, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Armenia to the Council of Europe, to Ms Despina Chatzivassiliou-Tsovilis, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, dated 7 November 2024.

[…] In response to the letter dated 1 February 2023, I have the pleasure forwarding you the names in the alphabetical order and curricula vitae of the candidates included by the Government of Armenia in its list of candidates for election as judge to the European Court of Human Rights, together with the information on the procedure by which the candidates were selected.

– Mr Vahe Grigoryan

– Ms Nora Karapetyan

– Ms Anna Margaryan

[…].

2. Information on the national selection procedure applied in Armenia to designate three candidates for the post of Judge of the European Court of Human Rights

2.1. Decision on approving the list of required documents to be submitted by the contenders for candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights

Letter from Mr N. Pashinyan, Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, dated 31 August 2023.

To approve, governed by part 16.1 of Article 7 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the structure and activities of the Government", as well as Article 21 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of 4 November 1950, for the purpose of best ensuring the high moral and professional qualities of a judge of the Republic of Armenia on the European Court of Human Rights and all the requirements for a judge under the relevant documents of the Council of Europe, as well as making the required documents unified and predictable:

– The list of required documents to be submitted by contenders for candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights, […];

– The sample application for participating in the election, […];

– The curriculum vitae, […];

– The sample declaration, which certifies that the contender has not demonstrated any behaviour which, pursuant to the legislation of the Republic of Armenia, may prima facie discredit the reputation of the judiciary or is incompatible with the high rank of judge, or the sample declaration on demonstration of any similar behaviour, […];

– The sample declaration, which certifies the absence of circumstances that are incompatible with the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights, […];

– The sample declaration, by which the contender, in case of being elected to the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights, expresses the willingness not to carry out during the term of office, any activity that will be incompatible with his or her independence, impartiality or the requirements arising from the permanent nature of his or her work, […];

– The sample consent letter for receiving additional information about him or her […].

1. The curriculum vitae are presented and published as submitted by the Government of Armenia.

2.2. List of required documents to be submitted by contenders for candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights

Letter from Mr A. Harutyunyan, Chief of Staff of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, dated 31 August 2023.

– The contender for candidate nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights (hereinafter "the contender") – only a citizen of the Republic of Armenia in the past 10 years, having not attained the age of 65 and with active legal capacity, must submit the documents prescribed […].

– The required documents shall be submitted in Armenian, except for the curriculum vitae, which shall, in addition to Armenian, be submitted in English or French. Documents in foreign languages shall be translated into Armenian by a translator possessing the qualification certificate for participating in notarial actions.

– The following are the documents required for participating in the election of contenders:

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i. Application to participate in the election [...];

ii. Curriculum vitae in Armenian and English (or in French) [...] - in case of representation of an applicant with the complaints submitted to the European Court of Human Rights, indicating in the section "Activities and Experience in the Field of Human Rights" of the curriculum vitae the full list of tasks, the declaration on experience and achievements in the human rights sector, as well as the motives for becoming a judge of the European Court of Human Rights (freestyle);

iii. Carbon copy of the passport or identification card;

iv. Statement of information on absence of citizenship of other countries issued by the Migration and Citizenship Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Armenia;

v. Document confirming availability of a Bachelor's qualification degree in law or qualification degree of a certified specialist in higher legal education in the Republic of Armenia, or the document certifying acquisition of a relevant degree in a foreign State, the recognition and approval of equivalence of which have been carried out in the Republic of Armenia as prescribed by law;

vi. Document confirming at least 10 years of experience in the position of judge or prosecutor or lawyer or as lawyer within a state or local self-government body of the Republic of Armenia or in the area of human rights protection or at least 10 years of experience in teaching in the area of human rights protection;

vii. Document confirming fluency in the official languages of the Council of Europe or one of the official languages (if available);

viii. Declaration, which certifies that the contender has not demonstrated any behaviour that may, pursuant to the legislation of the Republic of Armenia, prima facie discredit the reputation of the judiciary or is incompatible with the high rank of judge, or declaration on demonstration of any such behaviour [...];

ix. Declaration, which certifies the absence of the circumstances provided for by [...] this Decision [...];

x. Declaration, by which the contender expresses willingness not to carry out, in case of being elected to the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights, any activity during term of office that is incompatible with his or her independence, impartiality or the requireemnts arising from the permanent nature of his or her work [...];

xi. (sub-point repealed by No 22-N of 11 January 2024)

xii. Consent to obtain other required information regarding him or her [...].

– Documents may not be submitted by the person who:

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i. has been convicted of a crime, regardless of whether the conviction has been expunged or cancelled;

ii. the criminal prosecution initiated against him or her has been terminated, or no criminal prosecution has been initiated against him or her on a non-acquittal ground;

iii. criminal prosecution has been initiated against him or her;

iv. (sub-point repealed by No 22-N of 11 January 2024)

v. has not undergone mandatory military service or alternative service or has not been exempt from mandatory military service as provided for by law.

2.3. Decision on establishing a commission for selection of candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights and approving the working procedure of the commission

Letter from Mr N. Pashinyan, Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, dated 31 August 2023.

Guided by part 16.1 of Article 7 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On the structure and activities of the Government", as well as Articles 21 and 22 of the Convention of 4 November 1950 "On protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms", aimed at ensuring the selection of candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for a judge of European Court of Human Rights, as well as implementing the provisions of the Resolution 1646 (2009) of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe of 27 January 2009 "Nomination of candidates for judge of the European Court of Human Rights and selection of judges" and Guideline of the Committee of the Ministers of the Council of Europe CM(2012)40 of 29 March 2012 "On selection of candidates for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights":

– to establish a Commission for selection of candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights and to approve its composition, […];

– to approve the working procedure of the Commission for selection of candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights, […];

– to approve the evaluation sheet (single and individual), […];

– this decision shall enter into force on the day following the date of signing it.

2.4. Composition of the commission for selection of candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights

Letter from Mr A. Harutyunyan, Chief of Office to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, dated 31 August 2023.

– The members of the Commission shall be the following:

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i. Chairperson of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

ii. Member of the Supreme Judicial Council of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

iii. Member of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia;

iv. The Minister of Justice of the Republic of Armenia;

v. Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Protection of Human Rights and Public Affairs of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

vi. Chairperson of the Court of Cassation of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

vii. Prosecutor General of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

viii. The Human Rights Defender (upon consent);

ix. Representative of the President of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

x. Chairperson of the Chamber of Advocates of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent);

xi. Chairperson of the "Helsinki Citizens Assembly-Vanadzor Office" non-governmental organisation (upon consent).

(Point edited by No 23-A of 11 January 2024, No 64-A of 23 January 2024)

– In case of impossibility of participation of the member of Selection Commission or in the absence of consent thereof, where the participation of the person who ex officio substitutes the member of Selection Commission is also impossible and his or her consent for participation is absent, the Prime

Minister of the Republic of Armenia shall replenish the composition of the Commission in a two-day period, by appointing new members. The total number of members included on the composition of the Commission may not be less than seven.

(Point supplemented, amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024)

(Edited, supplemented and amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024, edited by No 64-A of 23 January 2024)

2.5. Working procedure of the Commission for Selection of candidates nominated by the Republic of Armenia for the position of judge of the European Court of Human Rights

Letter from Mr A. Harutyunyan, Chief of Office to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, dated 31 August 2023.

2.5.1. General Provisions

– This working procedure defines the process of organising the activities of Commission for Selection (hereinafter “Commission”) of candidates (hereinafter “Candidates”) nominated by the Republic of Armenia for position of a judge of the European Court of Human Rights (hereinafter “European Court”), as well as the procedure for organising, conducing, evaluating and calculating the scores of the process of selection of Candidates and procedures for nomination of Candidates.

– Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as “Office”) provides legal and organisational assistance to the activities of the Commission.

2.5.2. Organisation of activities of the Commission

– The activities of the Commission are based on the principles of equality of conditions for selection of Candidates, transparency of the procedure, publicity, impartiality and objectivity of evaluation.

– The Commission shall organise its works through sittings. The sitting of the Commission shall have a quorum if more than half of the members of the Commission are present in the sitting. If the sitting is not held, the new sitting shall be convened in a three-day period (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The first sitting of the Commission shall be conducted by the eldest member participating in the sitting. During the first sitting, members of the Commission shall select Chairperson of the Commission from among themselves.

– Sittings of the Commission shall be audio-recorded and documented in minutes. Minutes shall be signed by all Commission members present in the sitting and by the representative of the Office who takes the minutes of the sitting.

– Commission renders decisions on issues related to organisation and holding the selection, including verifying the accuracy of the documents and information submitted, as well as on obtaining additional information on a person who contends to participate in selection of Candidates (hereinafter “Contender”) (point supplemented by No 23-A of 11 January 2024) .

– Decisions of the Commission shall be adopted through an open vote by the majority of votes of the total number of members. In the event of a tie, the Chairperson of the Commission shall have the casting vote. All members of Commission shall sign the decisions of the Commission.

– The information on the procedure of selection of candidates, subject to publishing, shall be as follows:

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i. Minutes of the sittings of Commission, which shall be published by way of posting them on the official websites of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, of Representative on International Legal Matters within the three working days following the sitting;

ii. Information on applications received on a daily basis, which shall be published by way of posting them on the official websites of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, of Representative on International Legal Matters within one working day (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

2.5.3. Announcing selection and accepting documents

– The Commission shall announce the selection within the possible shortest time period, but not later than within the month following the first sitting of the Commission (point edited by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– In case of selecting or appointing a judge in the European Court from the Republic of Armenia, submission by the latter of a resignation request, as well as in other cases of impossibility to exercise his or her powers, the Commission shall announce the commencement of the new selection process within five working days from the day of being informed about the relevant fact.

– Not later than one working day before the expiry of the period of five working days prescribed by […] this Working Procedure, the Commission shall approve the text of announcement on commencement of selection of Candidates and promptly send it to the Office to ensure its publication in the manner prescribed by this Working Procedure (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The Commission shall publish through the Office the announcement on holding the selection (hereinafter referred to as “Announcement”) in mass media, as well as on the websites of public notifications of the Republic of Armenia, the Government of the Republic of Armenia, Representative on International legal matters, judicial authority of the Republic of Armenia.

– The announcement may also be published on the official websites of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia, Human Rights Defender, General Prosecutor’s Office, Chamber of Advocates, higher educational institutions, as well as may be sent officially to the heads of bodies of other agencies.

– The announcement shall contain at least the following information:

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i. Requirements for candidates;

ii. List of documents necessary for participation in the selection;

iii. Conditions for holding the selection, including the maximum score for assessing the requirements to Contenders, allocation of the maximum score in accordance with certain requirements subject to evaluation, criteria determining the content of the requirements subject to evaluation, maximum score for evaluation of each of the criteria to the extent of the maximum score envisaged for the relevant requirement, the procedure for evaluation and calculation of scores;

iv. The time period and e-mail address for submission of documents (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The Contender shall, within 20 working days following the publication of the announcement, submit the documents required for participation in selection, as well as contact details (telephone number, e-mail address and residence address) required for communication with him or her (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Documents are submitted to the e-mail address mentioned in the announcement.

– When accepting the documents, the Office verifies their correspondence to the list of required documents. No content review of submitted documents shall be carried out in this stage, this shall be done in accordance with the procedure provided for by this Working Procedure.

– The documents shall be considered as submitted within the time limit prescribed, where the Office receives them before the expiry of the time limit referred to in this Working Procedure (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The Contender shall, via the electronic mail address submitted by him or her, be notified about receipt of the documents within one working day following receipt of the documents.

– Where the documents are incomplete or do not correspond to the list of required documents, the Contender shall be notified thereof within one working day via the electronic mail address submitted thereby.

– The Contender may eliminate the document deficiencies within five working days upon receipt of the notification specified in this Working Procedure. Where within five working days the document deficiencies are not remedied or the new documents are again submitted with deficiencies, the request shall be deemed not accepted, and the Contender shall be notified thereof via e-mail. The request shall

be deemed not accepted also in cases, when the same Contender submits the required documents with deficiencies again within or after the time period provided for correction of deficiencies, but before the expiry of the time period specified in this Working Procedure. In this case there shall be no new time limit for correction of deficiencies. Where the Contender submits the package of documents without any deficiencies within or after the time period designed for correction of deficiencies, but in any case before the expiry of the time period specified in [...] this Working Procedure, the latter shall be deemed as accepted (point supplemented by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The Office shall, upon examining the documents submitted by Contenders, within 3 working days following the expiry of time periods specified in this Procedure, draw and submit to the Commission the List of Contenders and documents submitted thereby. The Office shall also provide the Commission with the list of Contenders having submitted deficient documents and documents not corresponding to the list of required documents and the documents submitted thereby, specifying the deficiencies and measures undertaken in accordance with this procedure to correct those deficiencies and the outcomes of those measures.

2.5.4. Organising and holding selection

– The selection shall be held in two stages, the first of which is the stage of verification of correspondence of documents by the Commission (hereinafter “the document verification”), the second – the interview stage.

2.5.4.1. Document verification stage

– Within three working days following receipt of the lists and documents prescribed by this Working Procedure, the Commission shall convene a sitting to verify the completeness and correspondence of selection documents.

– In the stage of document verification of selection, the Commission shall verify the compliance of documents with the list of required documents, and in case of reasonable doubt – also accuracy of the documents or information. The accuracy of the documents or information submitted by the Contender shall – upon the decision of the Commission – be verified by the Office. Upon informing the Commission, the Contender may, where necessary, be invited to participate in the verification stage of submitted documents. Failure by the Contender to attend the sitting of the Commission shall not serve as a basis for postponing the Commission sitting (point amended by No 23-1 of 11 January 2024).

– If during document verification the Commission renders a decision on checking the accuracy of documents or information or requiring additional information related to evaluation of requirements submitted to Candidates, the sitting of the Commission shall be postponed for a reasonable time period, but for not more than three working days.

– Based on the results of document verification, the Commission shall approve the List of Contenders having passed the interview stage, as well as the day, time and venue for holding the interview, and shall promptly send the information to the Office. The list of participants of the interview, as well as the date, time and venue for holding the interview shall be published in accordance with the procedure provided for by this working procedure. A notification, which shall establish the procedure and conditions defined by this Procedure for participation in the interview, addressed to mass media and non-governmental organisations, shall also be submitted to the Office (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Based on the results of document verification, the Contenders having not passed the interview stage shall be informed via e-mail about the grounds for not overcoming the document verification stage (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Contenders participating in the interview shall also be notified on their individual time of interview. (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The sequence of passing the interviews shall be determined in alphabetical order.

2.5.4.2. Interview stage of selection

– The interview shall be held three working days after notifying the relevant Contender-participant of the interview (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– During the interview stage each member of Commission attending the sitting shall assess each of the Contenders participating in the interview in accordance with criteria established by this Working Procedure (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The Contender participating in the interview being late for his or her individual interview time is considered not to have appeared for the interview, except for the case, when the interview with the previous Contender in the sequence is not over before he or she appears for the interview (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Before commencing the interview stage, the Chairperson of the Commission shall publish the List of Contenders having passed to the interview stage, in accordance with the sequence for holding the interview (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The maximum duration of the interview with each Contender shall be two hours (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The interview shall include three parts:

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i. Verification of personal features, as well as professional experience (hereinafter “the first part of the interview”), with a maximum duration of 30 minutes;

ii. Verification of professional qualities (hereinafter “the second part of the interview”), with a maximum duration of 45 minutes;

iii. Verification of language capacities (hereinafter “the third part of the interview”), with a maximum duration of 45 minutes.

– In the first part of the interview, the Contender shall, within maximum ten minutes, describe his or her activities, experience and achievements in the field of law, particularly in the field of human rights, and, where necessary, also provide clarifications on the information presented. Later, Commission members may pose questions concerning his or her personal features, including biography, professional background, perception of values underlying the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (hereinafter the “Convention”) and attitude thereto, as well as professional experience (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– In the second part of the interview, members of the Commission shall posse questions to the Contender aimed at identifying his or her professional knowledge and experience (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– In the third part of the interview the main and additional foreign language proficiency (English and French) of the Contender shall be verified; when verifying the additional language proficiency of the Contender in the third part of the interview, the Contender may be allowed to use the dictionary (point edited by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– When verifying the main language proficiency of the Contender, he or she shall be invited to study the summary of any case examined by the European Court and to present its content in Armenian and in the main language, read and interpret an excerpt from the judgment or decision of the European Court, make a written translation of a legal text prepared in advance, also an interview is held with him or her to check his or her oral communication ability in respect of professional issues. Following the verification of the Contenders language proficiency, the specialists record the potential language deficiencies related to the fluency and clarity of his or her speech, grammatical formulations and logical sequence of thoughts, use of vocabulary and comprehension of the content of material (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– When verifying the additional language proficiency of the Contender, they are invited to acquaint themselves with the legal content of any material and present its essence in Armenian. Following verification of the language proficiency of the Contender, the specialists shall record the potential language deficiencies related to comprehension by the Contender of the content of the material (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The Chairperson of the Commission shall ensure the normal course of the interview, and has the authority to limit the ability of Commission members to pose questions, taking into account the time constraints specified by this Working Procedure. In any case, each member of the Commission may pose at least one question to each Contender – participant of the interview (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

- The List of Contenders is drawn up based on the evaluation results during the interview stage, in accordance with the descending order of the scores received thereby. The list of first three Contenders (hereinafter the "List") is drawn up in accordance with the principle of gender representation. Where all three Contenders having passed the interview with the highest total scores belong to the same gender, the Commission shall, upon its decision, replace the candidate having received the lowest total score with the Contender of opposite gender who received the highest total score upon evaluation results of the interview stage (point supplemented, amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).
- An exception from the principle of gender representation is permissible only in the presence of strong arguments from the Commission or when exceptional circumstances are indicated. An exception is permissible also in the case when the List includes candidates for a judge of the gender having the least representation in the European Court (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).
- Voting shall be conducted to include one or more of the Contenders who have received equal scores based on the evaluation results of interview stage in the List, except for the cases, where the potential voting outcomes might violate the principle of gender representation. To include one or more of the Contenders who have received equal scores based on the evaluation results of interview stage in the List, each member present in the sitting of the Commission shall vote for the candidacy of one or more of the Contenders through an open ballot. In case of a tie, additional voting shall be conducted in accordance with the Procedure indicated in this point. Based on the voting results, one or more of participants of interview, having received the maximum number of "for" votes shall be included in the List (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).
- A Record shall be drawn up regarding evaluation of each Contender and (or) voting results in the Commission, which shall be signed by all members of the Commission (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).
- Within one working day following the drawing up of the List, the Commission shall publish the List drawn up in compliance with the procedures provided for by this Working Procedure on the official websites indicated by this Decision.
- Each Contender may get familiarised with the documents obtained or drawn up while conducting selection and concerning thereto (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).
- Representatives of mass media and non-governmental organisations may be present during the interview stage of selection, if they have submitted a relevant application to the Office at least two working days prior to the interview day (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).
- Representatives of mass media and non-governmental organisations, who have applied in accordance with the established procedure to attend the interview stage of selection, are allocated an area adjacent to the interview room, furnished with the necessary technical resources for on-line monitoring and audio and video recording of the interview.
- Two English specialists and two French specialists shall participate in the interview. Before conduct of the interview stage of selection, the Commission shall request the Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of the Republic of Armenia to provide candidates for English and French specialists to participate in selection process.
- Where a representative of mass media or non-governmental organisation disrupts the normal course of the interview, he or she shall, by decision of Commission, be requested to quit the place where the interview is held and shall be denied the opportunity to follow the further course of the interview. A Record shall be drawn up thereon.

2.5.5. Evaluation procedure

- The maximum score for evaluating the requirements presented to candidates shall be 100.
- The maximum score, as per separate requirements to be evaluated, shall be distributed as follows:
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  i. Personal features - 30 points;
  ii. Professional qualities - 50 points;
  iii. Language proficiency - 20 points.

(point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024)

– The criteria revealing the substance of the requirement for evaluating “personal qualities” and the corresponding maximum points allocated for each criterion are as follows:

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i. Perception of values underlying the Convention and attitude towards those values - 30 points, including: perception of the value of justice and attitude towards it - 10 points; perception of the value of exclusion of discrimination and legal equality and attitude towards it - 7 points; perception of the value of democracy and attitude towards it - 13 points (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The criteria revealing the substance of the requirement for evaluating “professional qualities” and the corresponding maximum points allocated for each criterion are as follows:

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i. Professional knowledge - 23 points, including: knowledge of domestic law - 6 points; knowledge of international public law, Convention and European Court practice - 13 points; additional education in domestic or foreign education institutions in the field of public international law or human rights, academic degrees or titles, trainings in the field of human rights - 4 points;

ii. Professional knowledge - 27 points, including: practical legal protection, judicial or teaching experience in the field of human rights - 15 points; involvement in significant legal events, professional contribution in development of law - 5 points; scientific research, publications in local and international periodicals, participation in local and international conferences - 7 points (point edited by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The criteria revealing the substance of the requirement for evaluating “language proficiency” and the corresponding maximum points allocated for each criterion are as follows:

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i. Proficiency in the main language - 16 points, including: ability to perceive the material in the main language and present it in Armenian - 4 points; read the material in the main language and translate it correctly in Armenian - 4 points; ability to translate and write the Armenian material in the main language - 4 points; ability to communicate on the legal issues in the main language - 4 points;

ii. Ability to study the professional material in additional language and to present its essence in Armenian - 4 points (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

2.5.6. Procedure for assessment and calculation of scores

– The assessment step of each criterion established by this Working Procedure by each member of Commission shall be one point.

– Member of the Commission shall assess each criterion established by this Working Procedure separately.

– Each Contender’s single score for each criterion established by this Working Procedure is determined by dividing the total score awarded by the Commission members for that criterion by the number of members who have completed the evaluation (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The total score received by the Contender shall be calculated by adding the single scores for each criterion established by this Working Procedure (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Each Commission member shall conduct the final evaluation of each Contender on the day following the 10-day period after completion of interviews with all Contenders. At least three days prior to the interview date with participants, the non-governmental organisations may submit to the Commission for examination the information related to personal and professional features of Contenders provided for by this working procedure, which shall be examined by Commission members for final evaluation of Contenders (point edited by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Following the individual evaluation of Contenders by the Commission members, the Chairperson of the Commission shall organise the calculation of single scores for each participant in the interview across all evaluated criteria and drawing up of single evaluation sheet, according to the sample prescribed [...]. The single evaluation sheet shall be signed by the Chairperson of the Commission. The Commission members shall have the right to request and personally recalculate the total score received by the Contender (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Based on the evaluation sheets of Contenders, the Chairperson of the Commission shall organise drawing up of the Draft List and shall submit it to the Commission for examination. A Contender may not be included in the List, where he or she has received a total score which is below 50, including a single score which is below 15 based on the criterion […] established by this Working Procedure and a single score below 2 […] (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The List drawn up based on the results of selection shall be submitted to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia for approval, as well as shall be forwarded to the Office to ensure its publication in the manner prescribed by this Working Procedure (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– The minutes of the sittings of the Commission, the documents submitted and obtained during the selection shall be submitted to the Office along with the List.

2.5.7. Approval of the list and nomination of candidates (title amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024)

– The Commission shall submit the List to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia within a working day following the publication of the List.

– The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic or Armenia shall, within five working days, submit to the Advisory Panel of Experts on Candidates for Election as Judge to the European Court of Human Rights the List, CVs of candidates, as well as the domestic procedure for selection of candidates in official languages of the Council of Europe, approved within two working days by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– Upon receipt of the positive opinion of the Advisory Panel of Experts on Candidates for Election as Judge to the European Court of Human Rights, the List of Candidates shall be submitted, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

– In case the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe gives a negative opinion on any Candidate included in the List or the Parliamentary Assembly rejects the List on non-procedural grounds, the Contender who has received 50 and more points may be included by the Commission in a new List, which shall be submitted for approval on a general basis (point amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024).

2.5.8. Holding a new selection

– A new selection shall be announced where:

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  i. The number of Contenders does not exceed three;
  ii. The number of Contenders for participation in the interview does not exceed three;
  iii. The number of Contenders for participation in the interview having attended the interview does not exceed three;
  iv. Less than three Contender having attended the interview have met the requirements prescribed [...];
  v. The gender representation principle has not been ensured, except for the case indicated [...] of this Working Procedure;
  vi. The Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia has refused to approve the List;
  vii. The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe has failed to select any of the Candidates;
  viii. The Advisory Panel of Experts on Candidates for Election as Judge to the European Court of Human Rights has issued a negative opinion;
  ix. There are other circumstances that make the selection of candidates impossible (point supplemented, amended by No 23-A of 11 January 2024)

– In case of availability of grounds […], a new selection shall not be held, where the conditions provided […] are met.

– The Commission shall publish the announcement on holding a new selection within 5 working days following the day of being properly informed of the ground referred to in […] this Working Procedure.

– The new selection shall be held on general basis.

Appendix 1 – Curriculum vitae of Vahe GRIGORYAN

I. Personal details

Name, forename: GRIGORYAN Vahe

Sex: male

Date and place of birth: 20 April 1975 in Yerevan, Armenia

Nationality: Armenian

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

Main education

– 1992-1997, Yerevan State University (Yerevan, Armenia), Faculty of Law; Subject: Law and Jurisprudence; Degree: Diploma of Higher Education;

– 2008-2010, University of Nottingham (United Kingdom), School of Law, British Chevening Scholar of academic year of 2008 (Thesis: Right to free elections under Article 3 of the Protocol of ECHR); Subject: International and European Human Rights Law, International Criminal Law; Degree: L.L.M. in Human Rights Law.

Supplementary (non-degree) courses and trainings

– October 2011, Geneva (Switzerland), International Commission of Jurists; Subject: International case law in criminal cases;

– May 2011, Tbilisi (Georgia), European Human Rights Advocacy Centre; Subject: Strasbourg Litigation: Regional Perspective;

– October-November 2010, Berlin (Germany), Hertie School of Governance; Subject: Course for Transformation Lawyers from the South Caucasus;

– September-November 2009, Washington, DC (USA), School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University; Subject: International Relations and Politics, Development and Human Rights;

– May-September 2009, London (UK), Interights; Subject: Legal internship;

– June 2008, Strasbourg (France), Academy of European Law; Subject: Procedure and Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights;

– September-November 2007, Warsaw (Poland), Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights; Subject: Legal internship;

– June-July 2001, Rome (Italy), International Development Law Institute; Subject: Property Law and Development.

III. Relevant professional activities

a. Description of judicial activities

– Judge of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia (Yerevan, Armenia), June 2019 up to date: The scope of powers of the judge of the Constitutional Court defined by the Constitution, the Constitutional Law "On the Constitutional Court" and the Code of procedure of the Constitutional Court in order to ensure the supremacy of the Constitution.

– Vice-President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia, December 2022 up to date: Undertaking the duties of the President of the Constitutional Court in the absence of the President of the Court, provided for by the Constitution and the Constitutional Law "On the Constitutional Court". The range of responsibilities agreed with the majority of judges of the Constitutional Court and undertaken with the consent of the President of the Constitutional Court also includes coordination of activities aimed at the development and reforms of the Constitutional Court, the relations and co-

operation of the Constitutional Court with international organisations (Secretariat of the Council of Europe and the "Democracy through Law" commission, the World Conference of Constitutional Justice, the Conference of European Constitutional Courts, Union of Francophone Constitutional Courts, etc.), constitutional or supreme courts of foreign countries, organisations and bodies supporting the development and reforms of the Constitutional Court.

b. Description of non-judicial legal activities

– Legal Officer/Advocate and Legal Consultant at European Human Rights Advocacy Centre (EHRAC, London, UK), April 2013 to August 2018: Legal representation at the ECtHR and the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe in cases of EHRAC clients/beneficiaries; consultancy to the legal staff and the clients/beneficiaries of EHRAC on political, legal and social developments in South Caucasus, Ukraine and Russia; participation in training in Legal Skills Development Program organised for the partner lawyers, NGOs and law firms from South Caucasus and Russia; consultancy to the partners and client organisations on the procedures of the Committee of Ministers at the stage of implementation of judgments in their cases.

– Advocate/Lawyer (mostly in Yerevan, Armenia and partly in London, United Kingdom), January 2001 up to 18 June 2019 (with an interval from October 2005 to February 2006), until June 2005 consulting was provided only in civil cases. After acquiring the license of advocate the consulting was provided throughout the whole range of criminal, administrative, international and constitutional law, from May 2016 up to date – Listed Counsel before the International Criminal Court (The Hague, Netherlands): Legal consulting and representation of clients before both domestic (including all instances of national judiciary and the Constitutional Court) and international instances (the ECtHR and the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers) concerning wide range of ECHR rights and freedoms engaged in criminal, civil and administrative procedures, as well as litigation before the Constitutional Court on the points of law and electoral disputes.

– International Expert at the Council of Europe

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  i. November 2017 to February 2018 (Ukraine): Providing expert opinion on the compliance of draft amendments to the legislation on legal profession in Ukraine with European standards.

  ii. June 2015 to January 2016 (Republic of Moldova): Within the framework of the “Strengthening the effectiveness of justice and support for lawyers in Moldova” (a joint program of the European Council and the EU), providing expert opinion on the compliance of the draft amendments on legal profession in the Republic of Moldova with the international and European standards (ethics and disciplinary proceedings).

  iii. December 2014 (Ukraine): In the framework of the project “Strengthening the independence, efficiency and professionalism of the judiciary in Ukraine” to advise the Council of Europe and the government of Ukraine on the compliance of the amendments of the Law of Ukraine on Practicing of Law to the international standards of practicing of law.

  iv. October - December 2014: In the framework of the project “Support to the Reform of the Penal Process and of the Procedure for Enforcing Judicial Acts” within the programme Support to Judicial Reform in Kazakhstan to advice on practical steps to bring prosecution of Kazakhstan in line with standards of the ECHR and its case-law as well as other international instruments. Along with, to draft recommendations on practical measures for strengthening the work of criminal defence lawyers, increase their participation in the investigative process, and their access to evidence.

– International Expert/Trainer in seminars and training courses for lawyers, journalists and judges organised by the OSCE, the EU, the Council of Europe, US Agency for International Development, June 2011 to August 2015: Regularly delivering trainings and workshops in the capacity of a national and international expert in Armenia and Eastern Europe/CIS concerning the substantive and procedural rights under ECHR case law, as well as in the capacity of a speaker in conferences/roundtables (the list is not exhaustive):

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  i. August 2015 (Istanbul, organised by the OSCE) on the impact of international court decisions on the Armenian-Azerbaijani, Russian-Georgian and Ukrainian conflicts for lawyers, journalists and NGOs;

ii. December 2014 (Kiev, organised by the Council of Europe and Office of the Ukrainian Parliament's Commissioner for Human Rights): International Expert at the Thematic Conference on Non-Discrimination on Grounds of Religion (Articles 9, 14, P1-2 and P12-1, ECHR);

iii. November 2014 (Yerevan, organised by the Council of Europe): International Expert at the Thematic Workshop on the developments and non-discrimination law in international and domestic laws (Articles 14 and P12-1, ECHR and COE member states experience on combating discrimination);

iv. November 2014 (Chisinau, organised by the Council of Europe): International Expert at the Thematic Workshop on the National Non-Discrimination remedies (Articles 14 and P12-1, ECHR and Paris Principles on National HR institutions);

v. June 2014 (Tbilisi): Seminar for lawyers engaged in ECHR litigation on Organisation of fact-finding missions, Evidence Gathering and Documenting in Human Rights Litigation;

vi. May 2014 (Sofia): International expert and facilitator at a seminar for Bulgarian judges on the Right to Respect for Private and Family Life, Home and Correspondence (Article 8, ECHR);

vii. April 2014 (Yerevan): International expert at the seminar for lawyers on Non-Discrimination and the Right to Freedom of Thought, Conscience and Religion (Articles 9, 14, P1-2 and P12-1, ECHR);

viii. February 2014 (Strasbourg): Legal Skills Development Program for ECHR Lawyers representing cases before ECHR and participating the proceedings before the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe;

ix. May 2013 (Yerevan): Speaker at the roundtable in Yerevan: Implementation of the Judgments of the ECHR;

x. November 2012 (Paris): Speaker at a conference organised by the Paris Bar "Lawyer's Profession in South Caucasus";

xi. October 2012 (Yerevan): Lectures in the School of Advocates on the practical aspects of the litigation and on the case law and the procedure of the ECtHR;

xii. June 2012 (Yerevan): Trainer/Speaker at the seminar for the lawyers on Amicus Curiae Brief submissions: Procedure and Relevant Case-Law;

xiii. April 2012 (Yerevan): Expert at Reliable, Responsible and Balanced Coverage of the 2012 Parliamentary Elections project within an OSCE, EU and US Democracy Commission supported project;

xiv. December 2011 (Yerevan): Trainer at the seminar on Freedom of Expression for Lawyers and Journalists;

xv. November 2011 (Yerevan): Trainer at the workshop on the Protection of the Right to Freedom of Expression for Lawyers and Judges within an OSCE and the US Democracy Commission supported project;

xvi. June 2011 (Yerevan): Trainer at the workshop on the Protection of the Right to Freedom of Expression for Journalists within a USAID Counterpart International/US Democracy Commission and the OSCE supported project;

– Legal advising and managerial positions:

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i. June 2001 to October 7, 2005: Legal adviser at "Right-Legal Group" L.L.C. consulting in the field of civil, banking and tax law. From January 2003 - in the capacity of the Director of the company;

ii. October 1999 to December 2000: Legal advisory in property, banking, tax and financial, and labour law. Head of the Collateral and later also Legal Departments in ArmImpExBank CJSC;

iii. August 1996 to October 1999 (with an interval from June 1997 to December 1998): Legal specialist at the Legal Department of the Central Bank of Armenia.

– Investigator and Assistant to Prosecutor in the office of the Military Prosecutor (Mandatory military service term), June 1997 to December 1998: Investigating crimes concerning military service or committed by the members of the armed forces (in the capacity of Investigator), supervising the investigation and prosecuting at courts (in the capacity of the Assistant to Prosecutor).

c. Description of non-legal professional activities

Co-Founder and member of the NGO “Europe in Law Association” until 2014.

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

My professional activity since 2004 is directly related to the protection of human rights and practice of human rights law. I would categorise my activities up until being elected as a judge at the Constitutional Court into 3 major groups based on the type of activity and experience:

1. Practicing human rights law in ECtHR proceedings as an individual practicing lawyer and a lawyer within the European Human Rights Advocacy Centre (as mentioned above);
2. Representation in the Constitutional Court and in other domestic courts in Armenia;
3. Council of Europe international legal expert and teaching/training in human rights law (as aforementioned above).

Selected cases in the ECHR (the list is not complete):

Practicing human rights law before the ECHR, I have participated (as a representative of the applicant, a member of the group of representatives, or as an advisor to the representative) in more than 80 cases in which the Respondent States were Armenia, Azerbaijan, Hungary, Georgia, Czech Republic and Russia, and the represented applicants were individuals (of different nationalities and citizenship) and legal entities.

Judgements:

– *Hovhannisyan and Shiroyan v. Armenia,* no. 5065/06, 20 July 2010. Violation of Art. P1-1.
– *Grigoryan v. Armenia,* no. 3627/06, 17 December 2012. Violation of Art. 5-1, 6-1.
– *Sefilyan v. Armenia*, no. 22491/08, 2 October 2012. Violation of Art. 5-1, 5-3, 5-4, 8-1.
– *Tunyan and others v. Armenia*, no. 22812/05, 9 October 2012. Violation of Art. P1-1-1
– *Danielyan and others v. Armenia,* no. 25825/05, 9 October 2012. Violation of Art. P1-1-1
– *Sargsyan v. Azerbaijan* [GC], no. 40167/06, ECHR 2015. Violation of Art. P1-1, 8, 13.
– *Dalakov v. Russia,* no. 35152/09, 06 June 216. Violation of Art. 2-1 (Substantive and procedural aspects)
– *Vardanyan and Nanushyan v. Armenia,* no. 8001/07, 27 October 2016. Violation of Art. 6-1, P1-1-1.
– *Karapetyan and Others v. Armenia,* no. 59001/08, 17 November 2016. No Violation of Art. 10.
– *Berdzenishvili and others v. Russia,* nos. 14594/07 and 7 others, 20 December 2016. No Violation of Art. 5-1, 5-4, Art. 1 of Protocol No. 7, Art. 3, 13+3, 13+P7-1-1, 14+P7-1-1, Violation of Art. 5-1, 5-4, 13+3, P4-4, 3.
– *Sargsyan v. Armenia* [GC] (Just satisfaction), no. 40167/06, 12 December 2017.
– *Arzumanyan v. Armenia,* no. 25935/08, 11 January 2018. Violation of Art. 5-3.
– *Mushegh Saghatelyan v. Armenia,* no.23086/08, 20 September 2018.Violation of Art. 3, 5-1, 5-3, 6, 11-1.
– *Ter-Petrosyan v. Armenia,* no. 36469/08, 25 April 2019. Violation of Art. 11-1, 13+11-1.
– *Vardanyan v. Armenia* (just satisfaction), no. 8001/07, 25 July 2019.
– *Matevosyan v. Armenia,* no. 61730/08, 10 October 2019. Violation of Art. 6, 11-1.
– *Khachaturyan v. Armenia* [Committee], no. 22662/10, 19 March 2020. Violation of Art. P1-1-1.
– *Megrelishvili v. Georgia* [Committee], no. 30364/09, 7 May 2020. Violation of Art. 6.
– *Karapetyan v. Georgia,* no. 61233/12, 15 January 2021. No violation of Art. P1-1.
– *Makuchyan and Minasyan v. Azerbaijan and Hungary,* no. 17247/13, 26 May 2020. No violation of Art. 2-1 (substantive aspect Azerbaijan), no violation of Art. 2 (procedural aspect Hungary), Violation of Art. 2 (procedural aspect Azerbaijan), 14+2 (Art. 14 – Discrimination Art.2 – Right to life Positive obligations, Azerbaijan)

– *Investigative Journalists v. Armenia* [Committee], no. 64023/11, 18 May 2021. Violation of Art.10-1.

– *Dareskizb LTD v. Armenia* [Committee], no. 64004/11, 18 May 2021. Violation of Art. 10.

– *Mikayelyan v. Armenia* [Committee] no. 1879/10, 31 August 2021. Violation of Art. 11-1.

– *Arzumanyan v. Armenia* [Committee] no. 63845/09, 31 August 2021. Violation of Art. 11-1.

– *Khachaturov v. Armenia,* no. 59687/17, 24 September 2021. Violation of Art. 3

– *Khojoyan and Vardazaryan v. Azerbaijan*, no. 62161/14, 4 November 2021. Violation of Art. 2-1, 3, 5-1.

– *Petrosyan v. Azerbaijan,* no. 32427/16, 4 November 2021. Violation of Art. 2-1,3.

– *Pashinyan v. Armenia,* [Committee] nos. 22665/10 and 2305/11, 18 January 2022. Violation of Art. 5-1, 11-1.

– *Hovhannisyan and Nazaryan v. Armenia,* nos. 2169/12 and 29887/17, 8 November 2022. Violation of Art. 2-1.

Decisions:

– *Yedigaryan v. Armenia* (dec.), no. 10446/05, 15 November 2011.

– *Poghosyan and others v. Armenia* (dec.), no. 3310/06, 15 November 2011.

– *Vahanyan and Others against Armenia* (dec.), no. 220/06 and 32289/06, 6 November 2012.

– *Tedliashvili v. Georgia* (dec.) [Committee], no. 64987/14, 24 November 2015.

– *Grigoryan and Galstyan v. Armenia* (dec.) [Committee], no. 27885/06, 28 March 2017.

– *Kerdikoshvili v. Georgia* (dec.) [Committee], no. 35868/10, 12 June 2018.

– *Arakelyan and others v. Armenia* (dec.), no. 51386/14, 7 July 2020.

– *Grigoryan and others v. Armenia* (dec.) [Committee], no. 40864/06, 16 October 2018. *Armenian National Movement v. Armenia* (dec.) [Committee], no. 32568/11, 13 April 2021.

– *Toradze v. Georgia* (dec.) [Committee], no.12699/18, 2 December 2021.

Communicated Cases:

– *Farmanyan and Others v. Armenia,* nos. 15998/11and 8 others, communicated on 1 September 2015.

– *Kyureghyan v. Armenia,* no. 4116/16, lodged on 29 December 2015, communicated 8 December 2017.

– *Alizada v. Armenia,* no. 2439/18, lodged on 30 December 2017, communicated on 18 June 2018.

– *Arshakyan and Others v. Armenia,* no. 23705/15, lodged on 5 May 2015, communicated on 23 September 2020.

– *Gevorgyan v. Armenia,* no. 231/16, lodged on 3 December 2015, communicated on 9 March 2021.

– *Sargsyan v. Armenia,* no. 78242/16, lodged on 17 December 2016, communicated on 11January 2022.

Selected Cases in the Constitutional Court:

– The case of contesting the results of the 2007 elections of the Deputies of the National Assembly.

– The case of challenging the decision made as a result of the 2008 Presidential elections.

– The case of contesting the decision made as a result of the election in precinct No. 10 under the majority electoral system of the National Assembly in 2010.

– The case of non-compliance with the Constitution of a number of provisions of the Electoral Code (restrictions on the publication of voter signature lists) brought by 29 deputies of the National Assembly.

– The case with a dispute regarding the decision made as a result of the 2017 elections of the National Assembly deputies.

V. Public activities

a. Public office

– 1996 - 1997, 2000: Legal specialist at the Legal Department of the Central Bank of Armenia.

– 1997 - 1999: Investigator, Assistant to the Military Prosecutor (mandatory military service term).

b. Elected posts

– 2007 - 2009: Member of the Board of the Chamber of Advocates.

c. Posts held in a political party or movement

Not applicable.

VI. Other activities

– June 2021 – up to date: Member of the Editorial Board, “Bulletin of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia”

VII. Publications and other works

– Co-author and internal editor of the “Manual for Lawyers: Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and Association under the European Convention on Human Rights (Article 11)” published by Interights (London, United Kingdom).

– Co-author and internal editor of the “Manual for Lawyers: Freedom of Expression under the European Convention on Human Rights (Article 10)” published by Interights (London, United Kingdom).

– Co-author of "*Court Cases Monitoring Report on the Freedom of Expression*" published by Europe in Law Association NGO.

– Co-author of “*Manual on the Foundations of Human Rights*”, “Boon” scientific-cultural foundation, 2023 Yerevan.

– Co-editor of the Armenian translation of the Fourth Edition (2017) of **“**Taking a Case to the European Court of Human Rights”, Philip Leach, Oxford University Press.

VIII. Languages

Language	Reading			Writing			Speaking		
	Very good	Good	Fair	Very good	Good	Fair	Very good	Good	Fair
a. First language:									
- Armenian	X			X			X		
b. Official languages:									
- English	X			X			X		
- French			X			X			X
c. Other languages:									
- Russian	X			X			X		
- German			X			X			X

IX. In the event that you do not meet the level of language proficiency required for the post of judge in an official language [the second], please confirm your intention to follow intensive language classes of the language concerned prior to, and if need be also at the beginning of, your term of duty if elected a judge on the Court

I confirm that I shall follow intensive language classes of the language concerned prior to, and if need be also at the beginning of, my term of duty if elected a judge of the European Court of Human Rights in the event that I do not meet the level of language proficiency required for the post of the judge in an official language.

X. Other relevant information

Not applicable.

XI. Please confirm that you will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected a judge on the Court

I confirm that I shall take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected a judge of the European Court of Human Rights.

Appendix 2 - Curriculum vitae of Nora KARAPETYAN

I. Personal details

Name, forename: KARAPETYAN Nora

Sex: female

Date and place of birth: 22 February 1984 in Yerevan, Armenia

Nationality: Armenian

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

– 2006-2010: Yerevan State University, Faculty of Law, Chair of Civil Law, PHD.
– 2004-2006: Yerevan State University, Faculty of Law, Chair of Civil Law, Master of Law.
– 2000-2004: Yerevan State University, Faculty of Law, Chair of Civil Law, Bachelor of Law.

III. Relevant professional activities

a. Description of judicial activities

– 13.09.2021 - present: Judge of the Civil Court of Appeal of the Republic of Armenia.
– 26.04.2021 - 13.09.2021: Chairman of the Civil Court of Appeal of the Republic of Armenia.
– 26.07.2018 - 26.04.2021: Judge of the Civil Court of Appeal of the Republic of Armenia.
– 21.12.2017 - 26.07.2018: Judge of the Court of General Jurisdiction of Yerevan.
– 01.11.2012 - 21.12.2017: Judge of the Court of First Instance Of Malatia-Sebastia District of Yerevan.
– 2009 - 2012: Judicial Department of the Republic of Armenia, First Deputy Head, Secretary of the Council of Presidents of Courts.
– 2008 - 2009: Court of Cassation of the Republic of Armenia, Head of the Department of Legal Expertise.
– 04.2008 - 12.2008: Court of Cassation of the Republic of Armenia, Senior Specialist at the Department of Legal Expertise.
– 01.2008 - 04.2008: Criminal Court of the Republic of Armenia, Judge's Assistant.
– 2006 - 2008: Methodologist of The Department of Legislation Implementation and International Relations of the Financial Monitoring Center of the Central Bank.

b. Description of non-judicial legal activities

Expert Activity

– 2017 - 2018: National legal expert of the European Council (development of the RA Judicial Code).
– 2017 - 2018: National legal expert of the European Council (drafting of the RA Law on Mediation).
– 2017: National Legal Expert of the European Council (development of the Code of Ethics for Arbitrators).
– 2014 - 2016: Member of working group drafting the "Law on amendments and additions to the Civil Code of Republic of Armenia".
– 2015: National Legal Expert of the European Council (draft amendments to the RA Civil Code).
– 2012 April - December: Member of the expert group on the development of the Civil Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia.

– 2011: Expert of the Council of Europe preparing educational materials and programs for Academy of Justice of the Republic of Armenia ("Module on the Right to Fair Trial", "Handbook for the Leaders of Candidate Judges" training materials).

Teaching

– 2023: Chairman of the Qualification Committee for Awarding Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Civil and Civil Procedure Specialisation at the Faculty of Law of Yerevan State University.
– 2023 - present: Lecturer at the French University in Armenia.
– 2020 - present: Lecturer of Training courses for Notaries.
– 2019 - present: Lecturer at the Academy of Advocates of RA.
– 2014 - present: Lecturer at the Academy of Justice of RA (a group of judges and judicial candidates).
– 2009 - present: Lecturer at the Chair of Civil Law of the Faculty of Law of Yerevan State University.
– 2008: Lecturer at the Department of Civil Law and Civil Procedure of the RA Police Academy.
– 2007 - 2009: Lecturer at the Department of Civil Law and Civil Procedure of the Faculty of Law of the Russian-Armenian Slovenian University.
– 2006 - 2008: Lecturer at the International Accounting Training Center.
– 2005 - 2007: Lecturer at the International Academy of Education.

c. Description of non-legal professional activities

Not applicable.

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

Not applicable.

V. Public activities

a. Public office

– Judge of the Civil Court of Appeal of the Republic of Armenia.

b. Elected posts

– Board Member of Judges Union of Republic of Armenia.

c. Posts held in a political party or movement

Not applicable.

VI. Other activities

a. Field

– Education.

b. Duration

Not applicable.

c. Functions

– Lectures for rather Legal Professionals (Judges, Candidates of Judges, Advocates, Special group of Candidates of Advocates) and Universities Emphasising Legal Opinions of European Court of Human Rights.

VII. Publications and other works

– "Inviolability of property: from national regulations to European Court" monograph, Yerevan, 2014;

– "Legal Positions of European Court of Human Rights" (editor A. Mkrtumyan, co-authors N. Manasyan, K. Arzumanyan), Yerevan, 2010.

More than 10 published articles.

VIII. Languages

Language	Reading			Writing			Speaking		
	Very good	Good	Fair	Very good	Good	Fair	Very good	Good	Fair
a. First language:									
- Armenian	X			X			X		
b. Official languages:									
- English	X			X			X		
- French		X				X			X
c. Other languages:									
- Russian	X			X			X		

IX. In the event that you do not meet the level of language proficiency required for the post of judge in an official language [the second], please confirm your intention to follow intensive language classes of the language concerned prior to, and if need be also at the beginning of, your term of duty if elected a judge on the Court

I confirm that I want to follow intensive language classes.

X. Other relevant information

Not applicable.

XI. Please confirm that you will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected a judge on the Court

I confirm that I will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected as a judge on the Court.

Appendix 3 - Curriculum vitae of Anna MARGARYAN

I. Personal details

Name, forename: MARGARYAN Anna

Sex: female

Date and place of birth: 15 February 1977 in Yerevan, Armenia

Nationality: Armenian

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

– 1983 - 1993: School No. 114;
– 1993 - 1998: Yerevan State University Law Faculty, Lawyer;
– 1998 - 2002: Yerevan State University Law Faculty, Postgraduate course;
– 2003: PhD in Law (Candidate in Legal Sciences);
– 2004: American University Washington Collage of law, visiting fellow;
– 2007: Academic Title “Associate Professor in Law”;
– 2018: SJD in Law (Doctor of Legal Sciences);
– 2020: Academic Title “Professor in Law”.

III. Relevant professional activities

a. Description of judicial activities

– Since 2019: Ad-hoc Judge at ECtHR on behalf of Armenia (Makeyan and others versus Armenia, Application No. 46435/09) (Dareskizb Ltd v Armenia, Application no. 61737/08) (Gyulumyan A. and others v Armenia, 25240/20) (Barseghyan v Armenia, 17804/09) (Myasnik Malkhasyan v Armenia, 49020/08)

b. Description of non-judicial legal activities

– Since 1999, Yerevan State University, Faculty of Law: Professor at the Chair of Criminal Law and Criminology; Courses taught: “Criminal Law”, “Comparative Criminal Law”, “Juvenile Justice”;
– Since 2011, Yerevan State University Centre for European Studies, MA in Human Rights and Democratization: Professor, Course taught: “Human Rights in Legal Perspective”;
– Since 2013, Academy of Justice: Professor, Courses taught: “Prevention of Corruption”, “Problems of Criminal Law”, “Juvenile Justice”;
– Since 2008: Member of RA Chamber of Advocates;
– Since 2007, GRECO: Expert-Evaluator on Incriminations;
– 2022 - 2023: Vice Dean of YSU Law faculty;
– 2021 - 2022, CoE Yerevan Office: Expert/Supporting Criminal Justice Reform and Harmonising European Law Standards in Armenia (Elaborating Guide on RA New Criminal Code);
– 2014 - 2021: Member of the working group elaborating new Criminal Code of Armenia;
– 2020, UNICEF: Expert on Juvenile Justice Issues;
– 2020 - 2022, Conrad Adenauer Foundation in Armenia: Expert project “Media Law”;
– 2010 - 2017, OECD: ACN for Eastern Europe and Central Asia Expert-Evaluator on Incriminations;
– 2017 - 2023, Heartland alliance/Project on Juvenile Justice: Expert;

– 2018 - 2019, NAPA/INL funded project on elaborating modules for Justice Academy/for Judges/ Prosecutors: Expert on Corruption related issues;

– 2018 - 2019, Nottingham Law School/INL founded anti-corruption project for Advocates: Expert;

– 2017 - 2018, USAID project: Expert on Supporting RA Government to evaluate Corruption Risks in Police;

– 2017, OSCE Office in Yerevan: Expert on Evaluation Corruption Risks in RA Police; Expert on Juvenile Justice;

– 2016 - 2019, ABA project for supporting advocates on criminal law related issues: Expert;

– 2012 - 2013, UNICED: Expert on Juvenile Justice;

– 2008 - 2010, USAID anti-corruption: Project Expert;

– 2009 - 2010, OSCE: Expert.

c. Description of non-legal professional activities

Not applicable.

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

– Since 1999: Teaching law to the students (future law practitioners) at Yerevan State University law faculty (criminal law, comparative criminal law, juvenile justice) making special emphasize on human rights protection issues;

– Since 1999: Conducting scientific research in the field of criminal-legal aspects of human rights protection;

– Since 2011: Teaching course “Human Rights in Legal Perspective” at international LLM program “Human Rights and Democratization” run by YSU Centre of European Studies;

– Since 2013: Analysing issues of human rights protection with judges, prosecutors, investigators at RA Justice Academy (in the frames of training courses “Problems of Criminal law”, “Prevention of Corruption”, “Juvenile Justice”);

– Since 2019: Actin as ad-hoc judge at ECtHR;

– 2009 - 2023: Acting as a legal expert in the frames of projects implemented by international organisations aimed at the protection of human rights;

– Since 2016: Analysing issues of human rights protection with advocates at RA Chamber of Advocates (in the frames of training courses “Problems of Criminal law”, “Prevention of Corruption”, “Juvenile Justice”);

– 2014 - 2021: Elaboration of draft criminal law legislation aimed to the improvement of human rights protection.

V. Public activities

a. Public office

– 2022 - 2023: Vice Dean of YSU Law faculty.

b. Elected posts

I haven’t been elected to a public office.

c. Posts held in a political party or movement

I haven’t held any post in a political party or movement.

VI. Other activities

a. Field: “Proactive Society” NGO

b. Duration: 2009 - 2011

c. Functions: Chairman

VII. Publications and other works

10 books/manuals and 29 articles were published.

1. Gabuzyan A., Margaryan A., Simonyan T. New Criminal Code Guide, Yerevan, 2022.
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VIII. Languages

Language	Reading			Writing			Speaking		
	Very good	Good	Fair	Very good	Good	Fair	Very good	Good	Fair
a. First language:									
- Armenian	X			X			X		
b. Official languages:									
- English	X			X			X		
- French			X			X			X
c. Other languages:									
- Russian	X			X			X		
- German			X			X			X

IX. In the event that you do not meet the level of language proficiency required for the post of judge in an official language [the second], please confirm your intention to follow intensive language classes of the language concerned prior to, and if need be also at the beginning of, your term of duty if elected a judge on the Court

I confirm my intention to follow intensive language classes of the language concerned prior to, and if need be also at the beginning of, my term of duty if elected as a judge at ECtHR.

X. Other relevant information

Not applicable.

XI. Please confirm that you will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected a judge on the Court

I confirm that I'll take permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected as a judge at ECtHR.