



KOSOVO SPECIALIST CHAMBERS DHOMAT E SPECIALIZUARA TË KOSOVËS SPECIJALIZOVANA VEĆA KOSOVA

File number:	KSC-BC-2020-06/IA027
Before:	The President of the Specialist Chambers
	Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova
Registrar:	Fidelma Donlon
Date:	1 May 2023
Language:	English
Classification:	Strictly Confidential and Ex Parte

Decision Assigning a Court of Appeals Panel

Judges of the Court of Appeals Panel:

Judge Michèle Picard

Judge Emilio Gatti

Judge Kai Ambos

Victims' Participation Unit:

Head of Victims' Participation Unit

Victims' Counsel: Simon Laws

Counsel for Denied Applicants:

Milorad Konstantinovic

THE PRESIDENT of the Specialist Chambers ("President"), noting Articles 33(1)(c) of Law No. 05/L-053 on Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office, Rules 113(6) and 169 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers ("Rules") and Rules 3 and 4 of the Rules on the Assignment of Specialist Chambers Judges from the Roster of International Judges ("Rules on Assignment"), herewith assigns a Court of Appeals Panel to decide on the "Appeal against the 'Fifth Decision on Victims' Participation' Pursuant to Rule 113(6) of the Rules" ("Appeal").¹

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

1. On 15 February 2023, Trial Panel II rendered the "Fifth Decision on Victims" ("Impugned Decision"), wherein it, *inter alia*, rejected the applications of 86 individuals who sought to participate as victims in the current proceedings.²

2. On 26 April 2023, Counsel for the denied applicants filed the Appeal.

II. CLASSIFICATION

3. The Appeal is classified as strictly confidential and *ex parte*. The present decision will therefore bear the same classification in accordance with Rule 82(4) of the Rules, until it is reclassified in due course consistent with Rule 3(4) of the Rules on Assignment.

III. ASSIGNMENT

4. Having considered the criteria set forth in Rule 4 of the Rules on Assignment, including relevant experience and expertise as well as availability of Judges at this time,

¹ IA027, Appeal against the 'Fifth Decision on Victims' Participation' Pursuant to Rule 113(6) of the Rules, 26 April 2023 (strictly confidential and *ex parte*).

² F01293, Fifth Decision on Victims' Participation, 15 February 2023 (strictly confidential and *ex parte*), paras 18, 47(b). A public redacted version of the Impugned Decision was filed on 20 February 2023. See F01293/RED.

THE PRESIDENT HEREBY ASSIGNS:

Judge Michèle Picard

Judge Emilio Gatti

Judge Kai Ambos

to the Court of Appeals Panel to decide on the Appeal and other appeals against the Impugned Decision, if any.

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova, President of the Specialist Chambers

Dated this Monday, 1 May 2023 At The Hague, The Netherlands PARTE

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