

Independent Evaluation Commission for assessing the integrity of candidates for the position of member in the self-administration bodies of judges and prosecutors

Comisia independentă de evaluare a integrității candidaților la funcția de membru în organele de autoadministrare ale judecătorilor și procurorilor

Decision No. 1 of 11 April 2023 on the candidacy of Cristina ROBU, Candidate to the Superior Council of Prosecutors

The Independent Evaluation Commission for assessing the integrity of candidates for the position of member in the self-administration bodies of judges and prosecutors ("the Commission") deliberated in private on 11 April 2023. The members participating were:

- 1. Herman von HEBEL
- 2. Victoria HENLEY
- 3. Nadejda HRIPTIEVSCHI
- 4. Vitalie MIRON
- 5. Tatiana RĂDUCANU

Commission member Nona TSOTSORIA did not participate in the decision.

The Commission delivers the following decision which was adopted on that date:

The facts

Cristina ROBU, interim deputy to the Chief Prosecutor of the Anticorruption Prosecution Office, South office was on the list of candidates submitted by the Superior Council of Prosecutors to the Commission on 7 April 2022, as updated on 13 January 2023, for evaluation for the positions of member of the Superior Council of Prosecutors. By letter dated 7 April 2023 and addressed to the Commission, Cristina ROBU withdrew from the competition as candidate for the position of member of the Superior Council of Prosecutors.

The law

Art. 13 para. (1) of Law No. 26/2022 "on certain measures relating to the selection of candidates for the position of member in the self-administration bodies of judges and prosecutors" (hereinafter "Law No. 26/2022") provides that a candidate's withdrawal from the competition after the institution in charge of organizing the elections or the competition submits the list of candidates to the Commission shall be the equivalent to failing the evaluation by the concerned candidate, irrespective of the reason given by the candidate.

Decision

Based on art. 13 para. (1) of Law No. 26/2022, the Commission concludes that the withdrawal of Cristina ROBU from the competition is equivalent to failing the evaluation.

Appeal and publication of the decision

Art. 14 para. (1) of Law No. 26/2022 provides that the candidate is entitled to appeal a decision of the Commission within 5 days from receiving the decision.

Art. 13 para. (7) of Law No. 26/2022 provides that this decision is sent by email to the candidate and to the institution responsible for organizing the election or competition, which in the present case is the Superior Council of Prosecutors. If within 48 hours of sending the decision, the candidate does not notify the Commission of his or her refusal to publish the decision, the decision shall be published on the website of the Superior Council of Prosecutors in a depersonalized form, except for the surname and first name of the candidate that remain public. The Commission will also publish the decision on its website if the candidate does not object to publication.

This decision was adopted unanimously by all participating members of the Commission.

Done in English and translated into Romanian.

Signature:

Herman von HEBEL Chairman of the Commission