



# Liechtenstein

## Ratified the European Convention on Human Rights in 1982

### National Judge: Carlo Ranzoni

[Judges' CVs](#) are available on the ECHR Internet site

Previous Judges: Previous judges: Ronald St. John Macdonald (1980-1998), Lucius Caflisch (1998-2006), Mark Villiger (2006-2015)

The Court dealt with 8 applications concerning Liechtenstein in 2017, which were declared inadmissible or struck out. It delivered no judgment.

Applications processed in	2015	2016	2017
Applications allocated to a judicial formation	13	10	9
Communicated to the Government	1	0	0
Applications decided:	18	15	8
- Declared inadmissible or struck out (Single Judge)	16	13	8
- Declared inadmissible or struck out (Committee)	0	1	0
- Declared inadmissible or struck out (Chamber)	0	0	0
- Decided by judgment	2	1	0
Interim measures:	0	3	0
- Granted	0	0	0
- Refused (including out of scope)	0	3	0

For information about the Court's judicial formations and procedure, see the [ECHR internet site](#)

Applications pending before the court on 01/01/2018	
Total pending applications*	7
Applications pending before a judicial formation:	1
Single Judge	1
Committee (3 Judges)	0
Chamber (7 Judges)	0
Grand Chamber (17 Judges)	0

\* including applications for which completed application forms have not been received

## Liechtenstein and ...

### The Registry

The task of the Registry is to provide legal and administrative support to the Court in the exercise of its judicial functions. It is composed of lawyers, administrative and technical staff and translators. There are currently **668** Registry staff members.

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## Noteworthy cases, judgments delivered

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### Grand Chamber

#### [Wille v. Liechtenstein](#)

28.10.1999

Statement by the monarch of Liechtenstein that he would not re-appoint the applicant (then President of the Liechtenstein Administrative Court) to public office again, because of views he expressed in public on the competences of the Constitutional Court.

Violation of Articles 10 (freedom of expression) and 13 (right to an effective remedy)

## Noteworthy cases, judgments delivered

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### Chamber

#### **Case dealing with the right to liberty and security (Article 5)**

#### [Frommelt v. Liechtenstein](#)

24.06.2006

Applicant not heard in person by the court of appeal prior to its decision to prolong his pre-trial detention (lack of equality of arms).

Violation of Article 5 § 4

#### **Cases dealing with Article 6**

#### Right to a fair hearing/trial

#### [Schädler-Eberle v. Liechtenstein](#)

18.07.2013

Relying on Article 6 § 1, the applicant complained that the administrative court, which had decided her case in the first instance, had not held a public oral hearing, in which evidence could have been taken in an adversarial manner.

No violation of Article 6 § 1

#### [Steck-Risch and Others v. Liechtenstein](#)

19.05.2005

Applicants not given an opportunity to have knowledge of and comment on the observations submitted by the opposing party in proceedings before the Administrative Court.

Violation of Article 6 § 1

#### Right to a fair trial within a reasonable time

#### [von Hoffen v. Liechtenstein](#)

27.07.2006

Excessive length of criminal proceedings

Violation of Article 6 § 1

## Noteworthy case, decision delivered

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#### [Steck-Risch v. Liechtenstein \(No. 2\)](#)

11.05.2010

Domestic courts refused to grant reopening of the national proceedings following the Court's judgment in the case of Steck-Risch and Others v. Liechtenstein.

Application declared inadmissible as incompatible *ratione materiae* with the provisions of the Convention.

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