

SUMMARY

## **ECJ 19 December 2019, case C-460/18 P (HK/Commission), Miscellaneous**

### ***HK – v – European Commission, Council of the European Union, EU case***

#### **Summary**

Denial of surviving spouse pension found legitimate, as living together cannot be considered equal to marriage or registered non-marital partnership.

#### **Ruling**

The Court:

Sets aside the judgment of the General Court of the European Union of 3 May 2018, HK v Commission (T|574/16, not published, EU:T:2018:252);

Dismisses HK's action seeking annulment of European Commission's decision refusing to grant him the benefit of the survivor's pension and to pay compensation for the material and non-material damage alleged;

Orders HK, the European Commission and the Council of the European Union to bear their own costs at first instance and on appeal.

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**Creator:** European Court of Justice (ECJ)

**Verdict at:** 2019-12-19

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