

## GENERAL COURT

### **Designation of a Judge to replace a Judge who is prevented from acting**

(2019/C 263/02)

1. On 10 July 2019, the General Court decided that, as of 27 September 2019, in those cases in which a Judge is prevented from acting, referred to in the second sentence of Article 17(2) and the second sentence of Article 24(2), respectively, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Court, the President of the General Court shall replace the Judge prevented from acting.
  2. If the President of the General Court is prevented from acting, he shall designate the Vice-President of the General Court to replace him, in accordance with Article 11(1) of the Rules of Procedure.
  3. If the Vice-President of the General Court is prevented from acting, the President of the General Court shall designate the Judge to replace him according to the order of precedence laid down in Article 8 of the Rules of Procedure, with the exception of the Presidents of Chambers.
  4. If the Judge designated in accordance with paragraph 3 is prevented from acting, and the case in which the Judge is prevented from acting is a civil service case, as defined in the decision of the General Court of 3 July 2019 on the criteria for the assignment of cases to Chambers (OJ 2019 C 246, p. 2), or a case concerning intellectual property rights referred to in Title IV of the Rules of Procedure, the President of the General Court shall designate, following the order of precedence laid down in Article 8 of the Rules of Procedure, a Judge assigned to a Chamber examining the same type of cases as the Chamber to which the Judge prevented from acting belongs in order to replace him.
  5. In order to ensure a balanced distribution of the caseload, the President of the General Court shall be able to deviate from the order of precedence laid down in Article 8 of the Rules of Procedure, as referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the present decision.
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