

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 23-7174

September Term, 2024

FILED ON: AUGUST 5, 2025

HULLEY ENTERPRISES LTD., ET AL.,
APPELLEES

v.

RUSSIAN FEDERATION,
APPELLANT

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the District of Columbia
(No. 1:14-cv-01996)

Before: SRINIVASAN, *Chief Judge*, WILKINS and RAO, *Circuit Judges*

J U D G M E N T

This cause came to be heard on the record on appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and was argued by counsel. On consideration thereof and in accordance with the opinion of the court filed herein this date. It is

ORDERED and **ADJUDGED** that the judgment of the District Court be vacated and the case be remanded for the District Court to determine whether Russia is entitled to sovereign immunity or if the arbitration exception to the FSIA applies. In making this jurisdictional determination, the district court should also consider whether the Dutch courts' judgments on this question are entitled to preclusive effect.

Per Curiam

FOR THE COURT:
Clifton B. Cislak, Clerk

BY: /s/

Daniel J. Reidy
Deputy Clerk

Date: August 5, 2025

Opinion for the court filed by Circuit Judge Rao.
Concurring opinion filed by Circuit Judge Wilkins.