



## [Greece - Administrative Court of Appeals of Athens 1280/2011](#)

The Greek Administration did not err in rejecting the applicant's asylum application as there were no legal grounds in considering that the applicant was a refugee. The applicant, who was a stateless person of Palestinian origin, claimed during his interview that he left his country for economic reasons and in order to find employment, confirming that there were no other reasons forcing him to leave.

**Case name (in original language) :** Δ.Εφ.Αθ. 1280/2011

**Case status:** Decided

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**Date of decision:** 14/06/2011

**State:** Greece

**Court / UN Treaty Body:** Administrative Court of Appeals of Athens

**Language(s) the decision is available in:** Greek

**Applicant's country of birth:** Palestine

**Applicant's country of residence:** Greece

**Key aspects:** Refugee status determination, Statelessness and asylum

**Relevant Legislative Provisions:**

Article 1 (A) of the Greek legal decree no. 3989 of 19/26 September 1959 ratifying the 1951 Convention and the 1967 Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees

Article 25 of the Greek law 1975/1991 on the status of foreigners as amended by the Greek law 2452/1996

Presidential Decree 61/1999

**Legal arguments by the applicant**

The applicant claimed that the interview was improperly executed in breach of the code of conduct established in Presidential Decree 61/1999. The applicant also claimed that the administrative authorities in Greece did not investigate the reasons forcing him to leave his country.

### **Decision & Reasoning**

The Court concluded that the claim regarding the breach of the code of conduct was vague and the interview had been executed in the applicant's native tongue. The Court also indicated that the Greek administration did not have an obligation to investigate the reasons forcing the applicant to leave his country, since the applicant claimed that he left on economic grounds.

### **Decision documents**

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### **Outcome**

The Court found that the Greek Administration did not err in rejecting the applicant's asylum application.