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Use of driverless vehicles in Russia and abroad: prospects and major issues

Keywords: Driverless vehicle; Russian legislation; Strategy for development of smart vehicles in China; German autonomous driving law; Self-drive Act (USA)

The authors analyze relevant Russian and foreign legislation and conclude that at the moment Russian and Chinese laws have not been changed to cover the use of driverless vehicles, whereas in Germany and the USA have passed and put into effect laws authorizing the use of such vehicles. It is further argued that certain ideas established in Chinese and American laws could be adopted in Russia to further develop the prospects for use of driverless transport.

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Life cycle contracts in system of contracts

Keywords: Public procurement; public contract; life cycle contract; contract

The paper examines a relatively new type of contracts within the existing system of contracts. The analysis outlines the characteristics by which lifecycle contracts can be qualified as a separate type of contract with elements of public law or a mixed contract.

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Obligations related to commercial trading activity: securing obligations subject to provisions of Russian Federation Civil Code

Keywords: Securing obligations; business obligations; penalty; surety; pledge of goods; complete pledge; guarantee

The paper analyzes the application of methods for securing obligations of commercial trading entities, in particular, it studies most common types of security such as penalty, complete pledge, guarantee, retaining of goods, pledge of goods). The author also considers the cases of penalty reduction following performance of obligation by the party in breach. The paper analyzes application of the provisions of the Russian Civil Code in cases involving commercial trade relations.

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Fraud in cyber sphere

Keywords: Target of crime; economic crime; property crime; fraud; information; cryptocurrency; digital money; virtual real estate

Based on the analysis of the court practice in the sphere of cyber fraud the author concludes that in light of rapid development of the post-industrial society and digital technologies it is necessary to reconsider the criminal law model for protection of property interests and digital property relation in particular.

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Problems of civil procedure: forms of prosecutor's participation — problems of efficiency

Keywords: Prosecution; civil procedure; prosecutor's powers; legal aid

The authors argue that the wide scope of prosecutor's powers appears to be inefficient, this entails the risk of low performance results owing to the available resources. Based on the analysis of opinions of other legal scholars and law enforcement practice the authors conclude that certain forms of prosecutor's participation within civil procedure should be scrapped, whereas other forms correspond to the principles of civil procedure, aims and objectives of prosecutorial bodies.

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Eligibility for educational and teaching positions: practical problems

Keywords: Education and teaching workers; teachers; eligibility for teaching; education qualification

Having analyzed the education requirements set out for education and teaching workers the author outlined a number of inconsistencies in the applicable legal regulation. The author also draws attention to the requirement which stipulates that workers of this

sphere cannot be admitted to work subject to field-specific restrictions, criminal law restrictions and medical restrictions. The author makes suggestions regarding further development of the legislation in this sphere.

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Notion of misdemeanor in legislative activity of Russian Federation Supreme Court Plenum

Keywords: Misdemeanor; Russian Federation Supreme Court Plenum; draft of law; exclusion of criminal responsibility; imprisonment; punishment

The article provides a critical review of the approach adopted by the Russian Federation Supreme Court to determine the notion of misdemeanor in the Plenum resolution. The author takes a critical view of the Court's position under which a number of misdemeanors have been joined into the same category on the grounds of "vague" criteria. The author also analyzes the Court's proposition to introduce measures which properties and characteristics are analogous to respective types of punishment.

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Legal status of public hearings and discussions on urban planning activities in Moscow: specific features of procedure

Keywords: Public discussion; public hearing; legal status; legal implications; urban planning activity; public interests; federal level city; urban planning legislation

The article examines the legal status and legal implications of public hearings and discussions on the issues provided by the Article 5.1 of the Russian Federation Urban Planning Code. The analysis showed major differences in the procedure for public hearings and the procedure for public discussions in Moscow. The author argues that such situation is contrary to the principle of the Russian Civil Procedure Code which establishes uniformity of legal requirements to procedures involving parties to urban planning activities.

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Problems of method for development of forensic framework of anti-corruption compliance

Keywords: Compliance; anti-corruption compliance; forensic framework; compliance development method

The paper examines the method for the development of forensic framework of anti-corruption compliance.

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Can remote workers be based abroad?

Keywords: Remote work; overseas work; out-of-office work; foreign citizen; work-related injury

The paper examines the possibility of concluding employment contracts with remote workers based outside the territory of the Russian Federation. The author concludes that in certain cases such a possibility is expressly provided by the Russian legislation.

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Andrey Yanuarievich Vyshinsky (1883—1954), statesman and legal scholar. Article fifty. Trial against Bukharin (March 2—13 1938). Continuation.

Keywords: USSR; mass repressions in 1937—1938; I.V. Stalin; .Ya. Vyshinsky; N.I. Bukharin; A.I. Rykov

The article continues the series of works devoted to the professional career and academic legacy of A.Ya. Vyshinsky. The paper examines the proceedings in the case against N.I. Bukharin, A.I. Rykov, G.G. Yagoda and others.

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Organization of tactical operation to arrest bribe recipient in possession and organizing specific investigative activities in bribery cases

Keywords: Bribe; bribe recipient; criminal case; sting operation; arrest; investigator; crime scene examination; search

The article analyzes specific aspects of tactical operations to arrest bribe recipient in possession and organizing specific investigative activities in bribery cases. The author discusses the problems related to organization of sting operations and investigative activities including crime scene examination and search.