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Public interest risks of illegal business

Keywords: Criminal law; criminal code; classification of crimes; illegal business; harm; damages; losses

The author analyzes regulatory acts, court practice and criminology doctrines and establishes distinction between 'harm', 'damages' and 'losses'. The author believes that the notion of 'losses' is the most suitable for assessment of public interest risks of illegal business. The nature of such risks is determined by the form of illegal business, according to the author. The forms include unregistered sole proprietorship and unlicensed business activity.

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Principle of estoppel in disputes seeking to recognize contracts void

Keywords: Rule of estoppel; void contract; principle of good faith

The article discusses recent novella of the RF Civil law, rule of estoppel invoked in the disputes seeking to recognize contracts void. The author outlines ways of protecting the good faith party from claims seeking to recognize the contract void. The author analyzes relevant court practice and Russian civil law principles. The article describes the role of estoppel as applied in such disputes as well as grounds for its invocation.

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Powers of law enforcement officials during on-record search of premises, buildings, constructions, terrains, and vehicles

Keywords: Special investigative techniques; on-record search; powers; law enforcement official; search

The article discusses legally prescribed powers of law enforcement officials while conducting special investigative operations such as search of premises, buildings, constructions, terrains and vehicles. The author speaks about the necessity to change current legislation.

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Right to education: branch of law?

Keywords: Education; education law; education laws; law on education; educational policy; branches of law; methods of education law; principles of education law; sources of education law

Can knowledge of laws regulating the sphere of education — freedoms, rights and duties of all parties — be deemed a special branch (sub-branch) of law? Or rather, such knowledge forms the basis for a separate subject or a discipline. There is no clear answer to these questions, although educational relations make an important part of social life. The author concludes with a suggestion that education law can become a separate branch of law.

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Applicability of legal norms to armed conflict in Syria and attack on Russian pilots of SU-24

Keywords: Application of international law norms; parties to armed conflict; SU-24 crew

The author analyzes the armed conflict in Syria in the context of effective international law norms and involvement of third parties (foreign states) in the situation. In particular the following questions are discussed: whether norms of international law are applicable to the militants who started fire on the Russian pilots who parachuted after the crash of SU-24? Is Russia participating in the armed conflict in Syria? What is the legal status of Russian air force in the Syrian armed conflict and the fight against Islamic State Group?

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Termination of sportsman labor contract without notice: Germany

Keywords: Sportsman; termination of labor contract; labor law of Germany

The article discusses cases in which an employer can terminate a sportsman's labor contract without prior notice under labor law of Germany.

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Compulsory liquidation upon violation of gambling laws

Keywords: Liquidation; legal entity; gambling; breach of law

The authors raise the topic of compulsory liquidation imposed on organizers of gambling activity for the violation of gambling laws. Current court practice shows that compulsory liquidation is rather an exclusive measure, and the objective of pertinent legal norms is to make a legal entity stay 'afloat'.

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Non-monetary penalty: origin, nature, application in civil law

Keywords: Types of security; penalty; non-monetary penalty

The author of the article analyzes the institute of non-monetary penalty, in particular, its legal nature from the perspective of Russian civil law. The author believes that non-monetary penalty agreement is a type of general model of penalty agreement.

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Innovative activity in Russian law

Keywords: Innovative activity; innovation; research; technical development; result of intellectual activity

The author discusses some features of legal regulation of innovative activity within Russian civil law. The analysis of pertinent research and developments shed light on the scholarly dispute regarding a single and clear definition of 'innovative activity' as civil law notion. The author suggests criteria which will help to distinguish innovative activity from such activities as research and technological development. The author also shares his view on interpreting the notion of innovative activity.

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Feedback on work of authorities

Keywords: Public authority; feedback; Internet resources; online feedback submission

The article is discussing such increasingly frequent occurrence as online feedback submission to evaluate the activity of public authorities and public officials. The author analyzes legal acts prescribing performance evaluation of authorities by means of feedback review and outlines general options for feedback submission. The author suggests ways of improving this means of communication.

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Collective agreements, agreements and local acts in Belarus, Russia and Kazakhstan

Keywords: Collective agreement; agreements; local legal acts; sources of labour law

Comparative legal analysis of labor law norms in the legislation of member-states of Eurasian Economic Community (in particular, Belarus, Russia and Kazakhstan) revealed significant inconsistencies in the terminology and legal definitions of such sources as collective agreement, agreements and local legal acts. To meet the end of unifying labor legislation of Belarus, Kazakhstan and Russia, the author makes suggestions on how to bring these sources to conformity.

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Development of Civil code of laws draft and development of civil law science in Russia at the end of XIX — early XX century. Article eighteen

Keywords: Civil law of Russia; draft of Civil code of laws; family law

The article deals with development of family law institutes as a part of the drafting process of Civil code of laws.

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Aggravating circumstances related to personality of defendant: modern court practice

Keywords: Sentencing; aggravating circumstances; background of defendant; repeat offence; law enforcement official; active involvement

The institute of aggravating circumstances in the first place deals with the personality of defendants, when found in a particular case such circumstances may lead to aggravation of punishment in a criminal proceeding. Having conducted an extensive study of court practice the author gives his recommendations on consideration of aggravating circumstances and also he shares his view on changing existing approaches to the application of circumstances undefined by law.