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#### **CONVERSION IN THE COURSE OF A COMPANY'S REORGANIZATION**

**Keywords:** reorganization of companies, allotment of securities, conversion, converted securities, full redemption of converted securities, partly redeemed shares, conversion rate, fractional shares, redemption of shares

Conversion of shares is a universal method of allotment of securities of a company under reorganization. It can be used in merger, acquisition, affiliation, division, spin-off, transformation transactions. How is conversion carried out in practice? What abuses are the shareholders and creditors of reorganized companies more frequently faced with? Does the law provide for effective mechanism against the abuses?

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#### **MEDIATION AS A MEANS OF RESOLVING OF CRIMINAL CASES AND COMMERCIAL DISPUTES: COMPARATIVE LEGAL ANALYSIS**

**Keywords:** mediation, commercial disputes, criminal proceeding, restorative justice

Mediation is examined as a possible way of peacefully resolving criminal cases and commercial disputes. Specific features of its application to these different types of legal conflicts are discussed in the article.

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#### **DOCUMENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL STRATEGIC PLANNING IN MODERN RUSSIA: ESSENCE AND PURPOSES**

**Keywords:** governmental strategic planning, conception, strategy, doctrine, program, sources of law, rule-making act

The article deals with the essence and purposes of documents which are new to the Russian legal system, namely, conceptions, strategies, doctrines, programs. The author presents her own opinion and idea of their nature and attempts to find out the striking features of each of them. There are raised issues concerning the legal force of the documents in question, their hierarchy, principles of drafting and publicity. Some recommendations are given for systematizing procedure of public activities in the area of strategic planning.

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#### **LEGAL REGULATION OF RESORTS LANDS**

**Keywords:** legal regulation of lands, resorts lands, specially protected areas, lands of settlements

In fact there is double legal regulation of resorts lands: they are recognized as specially protected areas and are parts of towns or settlements. This affects the legal regulation of land plots being resorts lands as well as the rights and duties of their owners.

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#### **DOUBLE WAREHOUSE RECEIPT**

**Keywords:** double warehouse receipt, receipt, document of title, a warehouse receipt used as security for a loan, lien, warrant

The author continues the examination of the rules of the Russian Civil Code regulating warehouse receipts he began in his article in "Zakonodatelstvo" #3, 2012. Now, double receipts are in the focus of the research. It would be desirable to reflect the issues raised by and the solutions proposed the author in the newly revised Civil Code.

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#### **ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES ACCORDING TO THE LEGISLATION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Keywords:** the issuance of securities, the European passporting principle, prospectus regime, mandatory disclosure regime, language regime, civil liability for defective prospectuses, equivalence-based regulation

The article puts forward a number of issues related to issuance of securities, such as prospectus and mandatory disclosure regime, European passport, language regime of the prospectus and mandatory disclosure. The article is devoted to the European Union's (EU) experience of legal regulation of securities issuance. Understanding of the unified European legislation is valuable for Initial Public Offerings of Russian companies, since the majority of IPOs have taken place on foreign markets. Moreover, the analysis of the EU experience, referring to unification of the issuance of securities, seems to be completely relevant to methods, which should be used to set up the International Financial Center in Moscow and improving the legal regulation and financing environment in the Russian Federation.

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#### **THE RIGHT TO APPEAL AS A PRINCIPLE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**Keywords:** appeal in a criminal proceeding; appellants; appeal against intermediate decisions and final judgment; immediate and postponed judicial control

The author examines the limits of the right to appeal inherent to the parties in a criminal proceeding and other interested persons in terms of complex analytical and comparative study of Russian laws, judicial decisions and international standards. The appeals against intermediate decisions and final judgment and compliance of obligatory requirements to the form of appeal with the principle of the liberty of appeal are discussed in the article.

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#### **FINANCIAL AND LEGAL REGULATION OF THE CUMULATIVE PART OF EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT INCOME IN RUSSIA**

**Keywords:** pension, distributive pension system, cumulative pension system, mixed pension system

New economic realities, changed living standards, ageing of population have resulted in serious pension burden on federal budget and raised the question about the decreasing of distributive share in pension plan and the increasing of the cumulative part. There is author's proposed conception of legally regulating the cumulative part of employee's retirement income in Russia.

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#### **SPECIAL REGULATION OF WORKING HOURS**

**Keywords:** flexible working hours, shift working, splitting shifts, RF Labor Code, foreign experience, improvement of legal regulation

The article deals with the regulation of flexible working hours, shift working, splitting shifts by Russian and Belorussian labor laws. Proposals are made to improve the Russian Labor Code.

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#### **PATRIOTIC WAR OF 1812 IN EMPEROR ALEXANDER'S PROCLAMATIONS AND DECREES. ARTICLE TWO**

**Keywords:** Patriotic War of 1812, decrees and antimanifestos issued by Alexander I in 1812, Napoleon Bonaparte, Russian army, citizens in arms, The Russian people in Patriotic War of 1812

The article describes the course of the Patriotic War of 1812, its character and consequences as reflected in decrees and antimanifestos issued by Emperor Alexander where the heroism of the Russian people having saved the country from 500-thousand enemy's army was highly praised.