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Administrative responsibility for illegal drug and psychotropic substance trafficking: problems of legislation and law enforcement

Keywords: Drugs; psychotropic substances; substitutes; drug trafficking; acquisition of drugs; possession of drugs; transportation of drugs; production of drugs; administrative offences; administrative responsibility

The article discusses some aspects of legal regulation of legal responsibility for the administrative offences related to illegal drug and psychotropic substance trafficking, in particular, the characteristics and elements of the administrative offence subject to the Art. 6.8. of the Russian Federation Code of Administrative Offences. In this respect, the author also considers the problems and possible resolutions with regard to the legislation on illegal drug and psychotropic substance trafficking in the context of current law enforcement practice.

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Preliminary contract and methods of securing obligation to conclude main contract

Keywords: Preliminary agreement; securing obligations; transaction; penalty; liabilities

This article analyzes preliminary contracts as a civil transaction, its legal definition, characteristics and its content. The purpose of the article is to examine the methods for securing the obligation of the parties to conclude the main contract such as advance payment, penalty and security payment.

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Smart transport systems: new opportunities and challenges

Keywords: Driverless vehicles; uses; challenges; risks; transport infrastructure; pilot legal regulation

Based on the analysis of Russian and foreign laws, court practice and doctrine the authors outline the possibilities for the use of driverless vehicles which can have a positive impact on the living standards, business activity, development of new industries; moreover, they are bound to improve the investment climate and economic prospects on international level. In this regard, the authors also outline possible clashes in the interfaces 'human and artificial intelligence for smart city transport'.

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Liability for infringement of intellectual property rights

Keywords: Rights enforceability; civil liability; protection of rights; intellectual property

The author considers the problems of rights enforceability and liability for infringement of intellectual property rights.

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Wages and problems of legal instruments

Keywords: Work safety and health; management of work health and safety; work safety standards; worker involvement in company management

The article focuses on the problems of legal mechanism for regulating wages in Russia, specifically, its low effectiveness. Numerous attempts to modify section VI of the Russian Labour Code, which covers wages and labour standards, have practically ruined this institute. The author explains the reasons and implications of the existing problems.

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Boundary disputes: defending rights of land plot owners

Keywords: Real property; land plot; mistake in Register; boundary dispute; land plot boundary; action to determine land plot boundaries; action to correct Register mistake

The purpose of the article is to establish civil law "identity" of boundary disputes between neighbors and disputes over mistakes in the Register of rights to real property. The author analyzes the legal nature of actions brought in relation to such disputes, causes of action and process of proof in relation thereto. The author suggests considering certain criteria to classify the remedies available to real property owners involved in boundary disputes.

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Government support to SMEs today

Keywords: State aid; financial support; small and medium sized business; national system of insurance

The authors discuss the proposed measures of state aid for SMEs and major difficulties for business owners willing to obtain it. It is further maintained that specific norms of the applicable legislation should be modified in order to introduce new rules for provision of state aid.

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Directives on agenda of AGM, board meeting of joint-stock companies with shares in federal ownership: legal nature, classification, implications of modifications (cancellation)

Keywords: Directives for voting; administrative acts; legal facts

The author studies the legal nature of directives issued to manage the agenda of AGM, board meetings of joint-stock companies whose shares are in federal ownership.

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Legal status of entities providing payment services

Keywords: Payment services; credit organizations; non-bank lending institutions

Analyzing foreign practice of regulation of payment services, the author explains the necessity to introduce a special legal status for special entities which provide payment services in spite of not being a credit organization.

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Reverse veil piercing

Keywords: Corporate veil piercing; reverse veil piercing; limiting company liability; legal entity

The authors analyze foreign and domestic laws and pertinent court practice to determine if the doctrine of reverse veil piercing can effectively work in Russian legal context. Specifically, this question arises in situations when Russian courts aim to hold a company liable for the debts of its controlling persons including its effective beneficiaries.

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Andrey Yanuarievich Vyshinsky (1883—1954), statesman and legal scholar. Article thirty-two

Keywords: USSR; repressions in 1936—1938; NKVD; A.Ya. Vyshinsky; Office of Public Procurator of the USSR

The article continues the series of works devoted to the professional career and academic legacy of A.Ya. Vyshinsky. The author discusses the historical phenomenon of 'mass repressions during 1936—1938' and the role of A.Ya. Vyshinsky, the public procurator of the USSR, in political repressions in the Soviet Union.