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Relinquish or enforce? Contract (obligation) repudiation and modification: essence and effectuation

Keywords: Obligation; contract; unilateral repudiation; unilateral modification of obligations; judicial order of termination; non-judicial repudiation
Russian court practice has collected many judicial and non-judicial decisions enforcing contracts, enforcing their repudiation and unilateral modification of their terms. The present paper is an attempt to analyze and systematize those decisions and formulate proposals concerning further improvement of the relevant norms of the Russian Federation Civil Code.

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Construct of secondary rights: delimitating legal reality

Keywords: Legal fact; set of facts; secondary rights; dynamic legal capacity; prototype of law; connectivity
There is not enough clarity as to the legal nature of the relations arising under a particular set of facts but not constituting certain legal relations; however, such relations are not senseless from the legal perspective. The author of the article presents a critical analysis of secondary rights and their place in the legal doctrine.

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Criteria distinguishing substantive and procedural law

Keywords: Substantive and procedural law; substantive and procedural law criteria; Erie doctrine; norms with procedural elements
The author of the article reviews the objectives underlying the distinction between substantive and procedural law and considers various implications following such distinction. The author analyzes different approaches towards this task developed by Russian and foreign scholars. The author also highlights a number of problems related to the classification of special procedural norms and substantive law norms containing procedural elements.

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Environmental law regulation: maintaining value of principles

Keywords: Environmental law principle; environmental law and regulation principle; assessment of environmental impact; environmental appraisal; independent environmental oversight; land classification by category
Modern legal practice rarely makes use of environmental law principles. This is also due to the fact that certain provisions of environmental law have been erroneously referred to as principles. The analysis of the legal regulation of environmental law shows that not all the provisions accepted as principles can actually be treated as those.

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Corruption in sphere of education: criminal law characteristic

Keywords: Corruption; education; survey; criminal rate; Perm krai
Based on the analysis of the court practice in Perm and Perm krai the authors consider the features of corruption in the sphere of education. The analysis draws on the re-

sults of the survey that revealed the attitude of citizens to corruption in this sphere. The authors share their point of view regarding the nature, consequences and possible counter-action of corruption in this sphere.

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Generally recognized principles and norms of international law within the framework of modern Russian law

Keywords: Generally recognized principles and norms of international law; sources of Russian law; legal principles; sources of law

The author considers the problems related to the generally accepted principles and norms of international law incorporated into the Russian legal framework by the effect of part 4 Article 15 of the Russian Federation Constitution. The author analyzes the essence and types of generally recognized principles as well as their legal effect. Discussing this topic aims at broadening the accepted perception of the general principles and norms of international law within the legal framework of Russian Federation.

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

Keywords: USSR; repressions; A.Ya. Vyshinsky; I.V. Stalin; 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. Drawing on the analysis of the archives the author unveils the details of pre-trial work on the case of N.I. Bukharin in which A.Ya. Vyshinsky played the key role as the USSR Procurator General.

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Problems related to introduction of new model for award of advanced academic degrees to researchers and faculty members in Russia

Keywords: Ministry of education; award of advanced academic degrees; new model for award of advanced academic degrees; thesis examining committee; evaluation criteria; degree of candidate of sciences; degree of doctor of sciences; PhD

The article analyzes the processes of reformation of thesis examining committees and developing a new model for the award of advanced academic degrees. The author analyzes the criteria set forth for higher education institutions and research institutions and outlines the problems occurring in the process of establishing thesis examining committees under the traditional and new model for award of advanced academic degrees.

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Appealing decisions of arbitrazh courts rendered under fast track procedure

Keywords: Fast track procedure; arbitrazh procedure; civil procedure; reform of civil procedure

Under the fast track procedure, arbitrazh courts deliver a disposition which renders the court procedure fast and expedient. At the same time, it is not clear whether the court of appeal will be able to review the correctness of foundations of such disposition in the absence of the part providing the legal reasoning. What is more, it is not clear whether such situation may limit the rights of appellants challenging the dispositions delivered under the fast track procedure.