

**By the Judgement of 9 November 2021 No. 47-II the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation assessed constitutionality of Article 13.21, part 1 of the Code of the Russian Federation on Administrative Offences.**

This norm was subject to consideration insofar as within the current legal framework and seen also in connection with the legislation on the media it served as basis to decide on the issue of administrative liability of co-founder of a media source for producing and dissemination media source product if the registration information of the media source was not amended to reflect current founders list due to death of one of them.

The challenged norm was recognised as not conformant to the Constitution of the Russian Federation insofar as within current regulatory framework (also seen in connection with the legislation on the media) its uncertainty allows to bring to liability the co-founder of registered media source (media source subject to registration under the law) for the said actions in the above circumstances without taking into account the actions (omission) of this and other co-founders of the media source taken with a view to fulfil relevant obligation, given the lack of normatively established time-limit for its fulfilment.

Pending necessary legislative amendments it is allowed to apply challenged provision in part providing for bringing to administrative liability of co-founder of a media source for producing and disseminating a media source product if this co-founder does not fulfil the obligation to amend registration information of media source as regards the founders' list due to death of one of the founders, but not earlier than after expiration of reasonable time from the moment when such death became known or should have become known to liable co-founder, and with obligatory taking into account of actions (omission) of this and other co-founders taken with the aim to fulfil the obligation in question.