

**By the Judgement of 15 July 2020 No. 36-II the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation appraised constitutionality of Articles 15, 16, Article 151, Section 1, Articles 1069 and 1070 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation.**

The challenged provisions were the subject of consideration to the extent that on their basis, the system of current legislation resolves the issue of reimbursement of costs associated with proceedings in an administrative offense case, and compensation for moral damages to persons in respect of whom an administrative offense case was terminated due to the absence of an event (*corpus delicti*) of an administrative offense (Article 24.5, Section 1, paras. 1 and 2 of the Code of Administrative Offences of the Russian Federation) or due to the lack of evidence of the circumstances on the basis of which the relevant decision or order were made (Article 30.17, Section 2, para. 4 of the Code of Administrative Offences of the Russian Federation).

The Constitutional Court recognised the challenged provisions of Articles 15, 16, 1069 and 1070 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation as not inconsistent with the Constitution of the Russian Federation, since they, by their constitutional and legal meaning within the system of current legal regulation, do not allow these persons to be denied reimbursement of expenses for payment of defence lawyers and other expenses related to the proceedings in the case of an administrative offense.

The provision of Article 151, Section 1 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation in conjunction with Articles 15, 16, 1069 and 1070 of this Code in respect of establishing a condition on the guilt of officials of state authorities in committing illegal actions (inaction) as a basis for compensation for moral damage to the above persons was recognised as consistent with the Constitution Russian Federation.