

By the Judgement of 21 April 2020 No. 19-II the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation appraised constitutionality of Article 98.1 of the Forestry Code of the Russian Federation

The challenged provision was the subject of consideration to the extent that in the current legal regulation it resolved the issue of including information on individual entrepreneurs and legal entities, with whom the lease of a forest plot was terminated on the basis established by Article 619, Section 1, para. 3 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation, in the register of unscrupulous tenants of forest plots and buyers of forest stands.

The challenged provision was found to be inconsistent with the Constitution of the Russian Federation to the extent that the inclusion of such information in the register of unscrupulous tenants of forest plots and buyers of forest stands entails an indefinite restriction of the rights of these entities in the field of economic forest management, including the right to conclude lease agreements for forest plots owned by state or municipalities.