

By the Judgement of 11 January 2024 No.1-II, Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation assessed constitutionality of Article 111 (part 1), Article 112 (part 1) of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation and item 3 of the Rules for determining the severity of damage to human health, approved by Decree of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 522 of 17 August 2007.

The above provisions have been considered in so far as they are used as a basis for deciding on the criminal-law qualification of the infliction of damage to health resulting in mental disorder.

The contested provisions were found not to be inconsistent with the Constitution of the Russian Federation, since, in their constitutional and legal sense, they refer, as a general rule, to the onset of a mental disorder among the reasons for classifying an act as the infliction of grievous bodily harm, but do not exclude the qualification of the act in question as serious injury to health if such mental disorder is not severe and there are no preconditions for a lasting negative impact of such mental disorder on the social well-being of the victim.