

By the Judgement of 29 May 2025 No.24-II, the Constitutional Court assessed constitutionality of Article 151 (part 1) and Article 1112 (part 1 and part 2) of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation

These interrelated legal provisions were examined insofar as they serve as the basis for the possibility of imposing on the inheritance and therefore on the heirs of the person who committed crime (the suspect or the accused, whose criminal prosecution was terminated on non-rehabilitating grounds), the obligation to compensate moral damage to the victim of the crime within the value of the inherited property, despite the fact that at the time of the death of the person, there was no judicial act obliging him to pay appropriate compensation.

The contested interrelated provisions were recognized as not contradicting the Constitution since they do not prevent the imposition on the inheritance of the indicated person and therefore on the heirs of the obligation to compensate the moral damage to the victim of this crime within the value of the inherited property, regardless of the presence at the time of the death of a court decision obliging him to pay appropriate compensation, that had entered into force.