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Court duty rates to be substantially increased



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Parliament adopts substantial increase of court duties

On 22 May 2015 Parliament adopted the Law On Amendments to certain legislative acts of Ukraine regarding court duty payment (hereinafter – the "Law")*, which introduces new rates for court duty to be paid in general, administrative and commercial courts.

In particular, the Law sets the following rates of court duty for submission to general/commercial/administrative courts:

- a material claim to the court of the first instance 1.5% of the claim's value, but not less than 1 minimum salary;
- an immaterial claim (a claim that does not have the potential for a negative financial outcome) to the court of the first instance - 1 minimum salary;
- an appeal claim 110% of the rate for submission of the claim to the court of the first instance;
- a cassation claim 120% of the rate for submission of the claim to the court of the first instance;
- an application to the Supreme Court of Ukraine 130% of the rate for submission of the claim to the court of the first instance.

Moreover, the Law does not establish the maximum rate of the court duty. According to the Law, the state authorities are obliged to pay court duty when filing to the administrative courts (before they were exempt from paying the court duty).

It is expected that the law will be signed by the President of Ukraine soon.

We will continue to monitor developments on this new Law and provide you with updates.

* Draft Law No 2862 dated 15 May 2015

