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### ***The Laws on amendments to the Administrative Procedure Code, Civil Procedure Code and the Law on Advocates and Advocate Activity***

With the amendments, the individuals will be able to represent in court as representatives only close relatives or legal entities with principal workplace as well as state and municipal bodies. The representatives' authority should be properly documented by the power of attorney.

In addition, it will be impossible to appeal to the Supreme Court on the decisions related to claim of property matter with amount of claim of no less than 2,000 AZN and economic disputes with amount of claim of no less than 10,000 AZN.

The President ordered the Bar Association to increase the number of advocates.

Amendments to the Laws enter into force from 1 January 2018.

### ***The Law on Amendments to the Merchant Shipping Code***

With amendments, the general provisions of the Code's maritime liability limitation have been changed. The volume of vessel tonnages and the amount of compensation for damages to the life or health of person and for other claims have been increased.

### ***The Law on Amendments to suspension of inspections in the field of entrepreneurship***

With the amendments, the inspections in the field of entrepreneurship will be suspended until 1 January 2021. At the same time, the inspections related to the monitoring of compliance with quality and safety of medicines and the control of food safety carried out by the appropriate authority, have been also included in the list of grounds enabling the inspections.