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PROBLEM OF DETERMINATION OF THE COMPETENCE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF UKRAINE

Recently, there is an active discussion in juridical literature about the problem of definition of the competence and authority of the Supreme Court of Ukraine and the need to return the authority of court of cassation to its competence. The most scholars and practitioners, who demand the returning authority of court of cassation to the Supreme Court of Ukraine, do not indicate what are fundamental problems or imperfections of present court system of Ukraine, and how proposed changes will affect the process of juridical protection of human rights.

Until creation of separate judicial institutions, cassation appeals and procedure of reviews of court decisions on civil acts were not effective, because of congestion of the Judicial Chamber on civil cases of the Supreme Court of Ukraine, functioning as cassation institution, was not able to observe big num-

ber of civil acts, decisions on which were subjects of cassation appeal.

We must also remember that any changes or reorganizations in judicial system should be aimed at improvement of justice system and providing more effective performance of tasks of judicial procedure in general and civil procedure in particular, but not at redistribution of power, creation of new vacancies or changing names of government bodies etc. This means that four-step judicial examination of civil acts will provide the highest efficiency of the civil justice and finality and obligatoriness of adopted judicial acts. Also, it is necessary to support suggestion, which was expressed in juridical literature, about an opportunity for civilians to apply to the Supreme Court of Ukraine for protection on the grounds on unequal application of the same procedural regulation by the court (courts) of cassation.