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“AN OFFICIAL” AND “A SERVICE PERSON” IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: PROBLEMS OF DEFINITIONS IN THE LEGISLATION OF UKRAINE

The article is devoted to examination of the notions “an official” and “a service person” in administrative law science and national legislation. The basic stages of these notions are determined and characterized.

This article analyzes the theoretical principles of the differentiation of the terms “an official” and “a service person”.

The thesis discusses a term “an official” and “a service person” from doctrinal and legal perspectives. As a result of a conducted research, the author formulates characteristics of the terms “an official” and “a service person” in public administration.

In new Law of Ukraine “On State Service” there is no determined legal no-

tion of “an official”. Significant attention is paid to the problem of unification of the notion “an official” in public administration and national legislation as well as characterization of certain elements of legal status of an official. The author in this article focuses on peculiarities of the notion “publics-service functions” and authorities of an official in public administration.

On the basis of scientific theoretical sources and effective legal regulations, practically concerning legal consolidation of notions “an official” and “a service person”, the author attempts to define the ways of further improvement of public service legislation in Ukraine.