

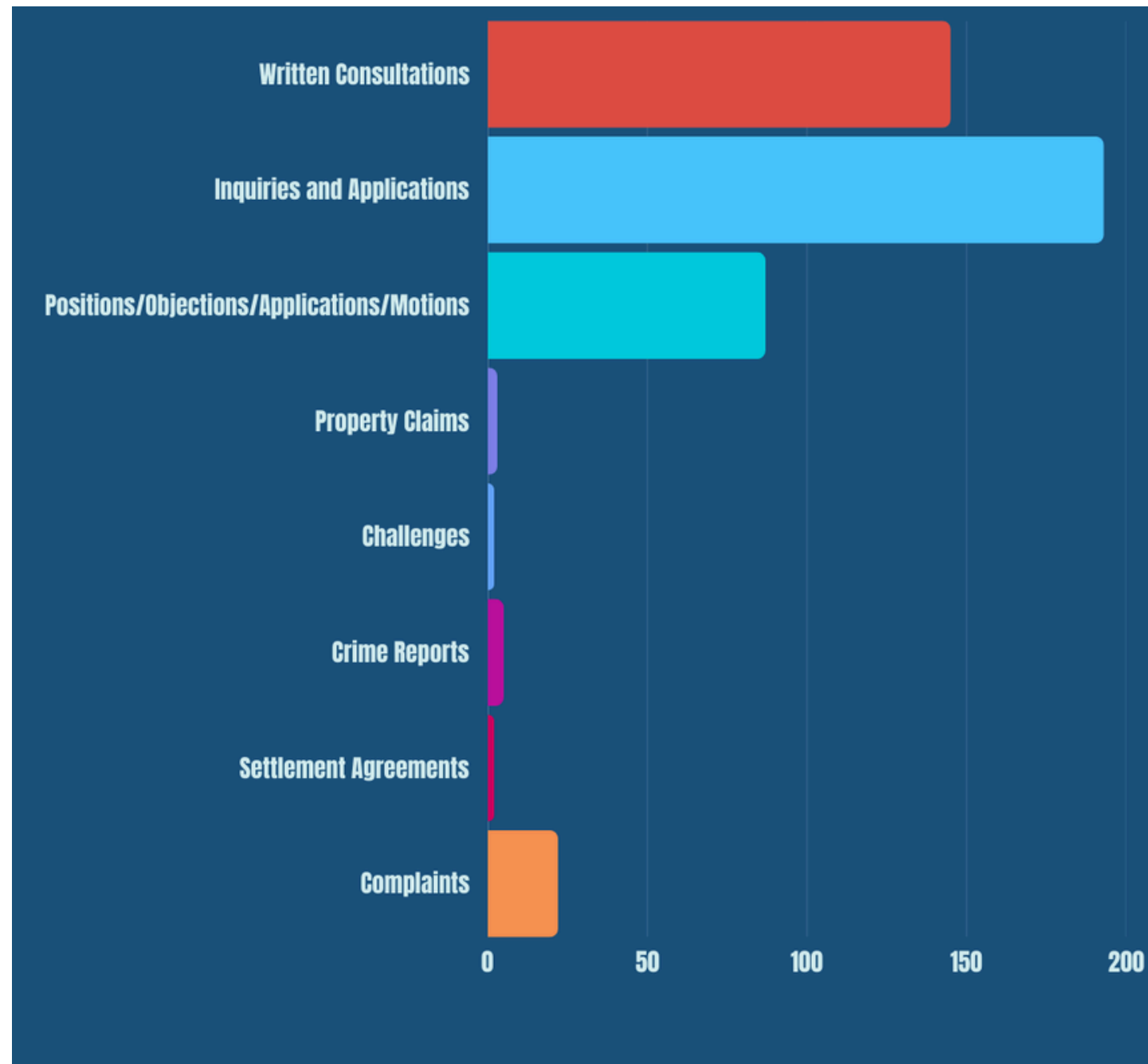


ANNUAL REPORT 2024

FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND REPRESENTATION

In 2024, legal assistance was provided in 460 cases, of which court representation was carried out in 67 cases.

As part of the legal support, approximately 459 legal documents were drafted.



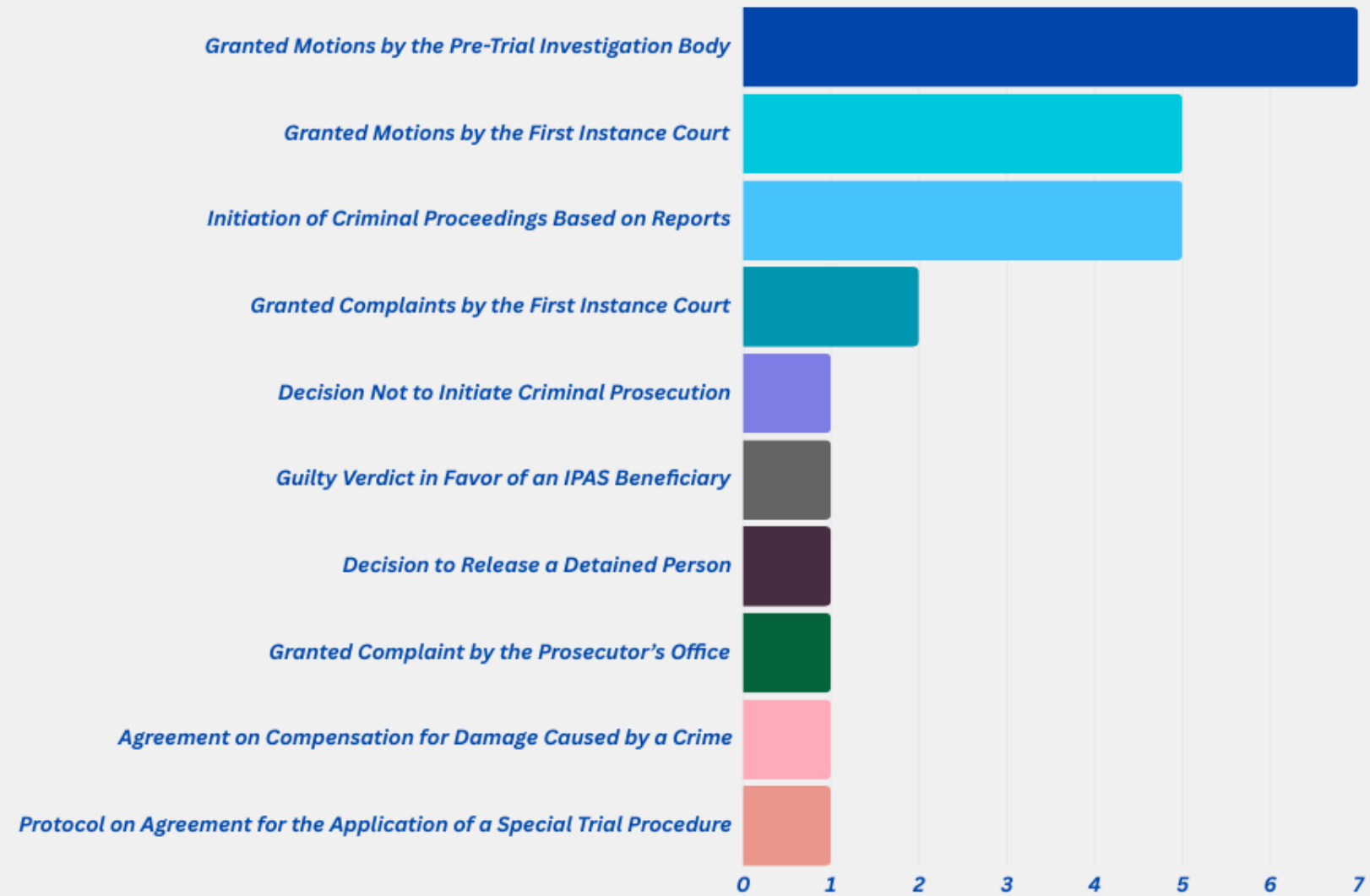
On October 9, 2024, the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) ruled in the case of Aghajanyan v. Armenia, confirming a violation of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

The applicant's interests before the ECHR were represented by the organization's lawyers.

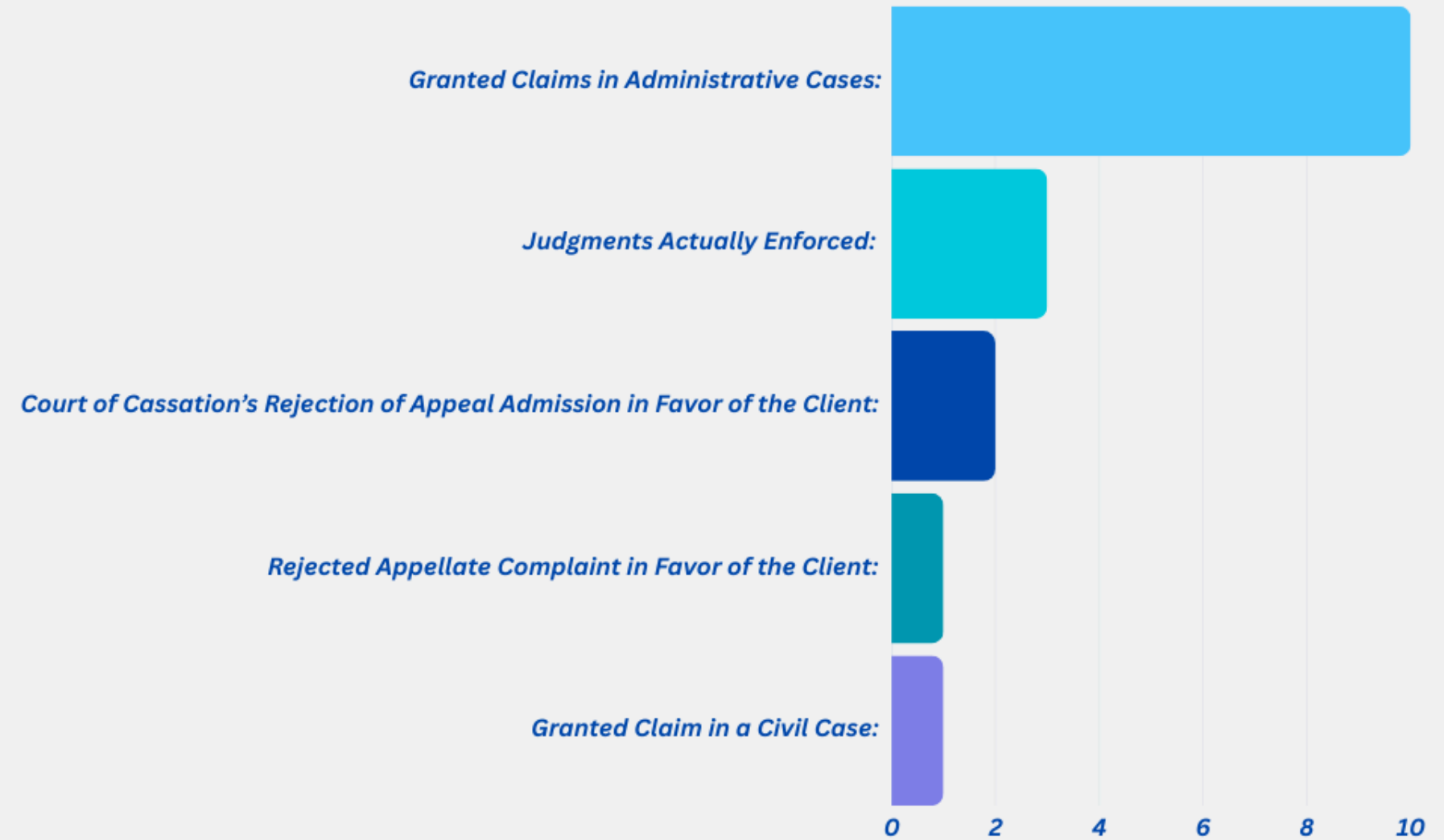


Achievements in Criminal, Administrative, and Civil Cases

Criminal Cases



Administrative and Civil Cases



**PROVISION OF FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO
FORCIBLY DISPLACED PERSONS FROM
NAGORNO-KARABAKH**



**Free legal assistance was provided in 160 cases.
Period: December 2023 – July 2024.**

Documents related to approximately 65 individuals have been examined

- **45 applications have been drafted**
- **6 appeals have been drafted**
- **8 information requests have been drafted**
- **1 lawsuit has been drafted**

On behalf of the organization, more than 20 inquiries, applications, position papers, and proposals have been sent to state authorities. Additionally, 2 lawsuits have been filed against the Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding requests for information disclosure."

The organization has submitted the following proposals:

- **A proposal to establish a support program for the families of civilians who were killed or went missing, as well as for individuals who acquired disabilities as a result of the military actions on September 19, 2023.**
- **A proposal to review and expand the list of beneficiaries of support programs for forcibly displaced persons from Nagorno-Karabakh.**

**FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN PROVIDED
ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUES:**



Registration at addresses in Armenia

Problems related to the lack of registration or documentation of individuals upon crossing the Armenian border immediately after forced displacement

Issues concerning the acquisition of Armenian citizenship for both adults and minors

Pension allocation and the restoration of pensions assigned in Nagorno-Karabakh

Functional assessment, determination of disability groups, and allocation of benefits

Restoration of benefits assigned in Nagorno-Karabakh

Recovery of original documents

Eligibility for a one-time childbirth allowance

Issues related to the exclusion from beneficiary lists of support programs

Matters concerning inheritance acceptance

PRWB, in collaboration with partner organizations, has continued to document and present Azerbaijan's human rights violations and war crimes against the populations of Artsakh and Armenia on international platforms



Why Are There No Armenians In Nagorno-Karabakh?

Fact-Finding Report



The report "Why Are There No Armenians in Nagorno-Karabakh?" provides evidence that Azerbaijan deliberately and systematically subjected the Armenian population of Nagorno-Karabakh to forced displacement and ethnic cleansing.

The report examines the situation of ethnic Armenians living in Nagorno-Karabakh from the end of the 2020 Second Nagorno-Karabakh War until Azerbaijan's military assault in September 2023, as well as the consequences of these actions.

It exposes numerous violations of human rights, international humanitarian law, and international criminal law committed by Azerbaijani authorities against the ethnic Armenian population of Nagorno-Karabakh. These include extrajudicial killings, a months-long blockade, forced displacement, and a post-displacement policy of cultural erasure and property destruction.

The fact-finding report confirms that the documented actions in Nagorno-Karabakh constitute war crimes and crimes against humanity.



MONITORING OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SUPREME JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Monitoring and Study of Disciplinary Proceedings Against Judges

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Monitoring and Analysis of the Judge Selection and Appointment Process

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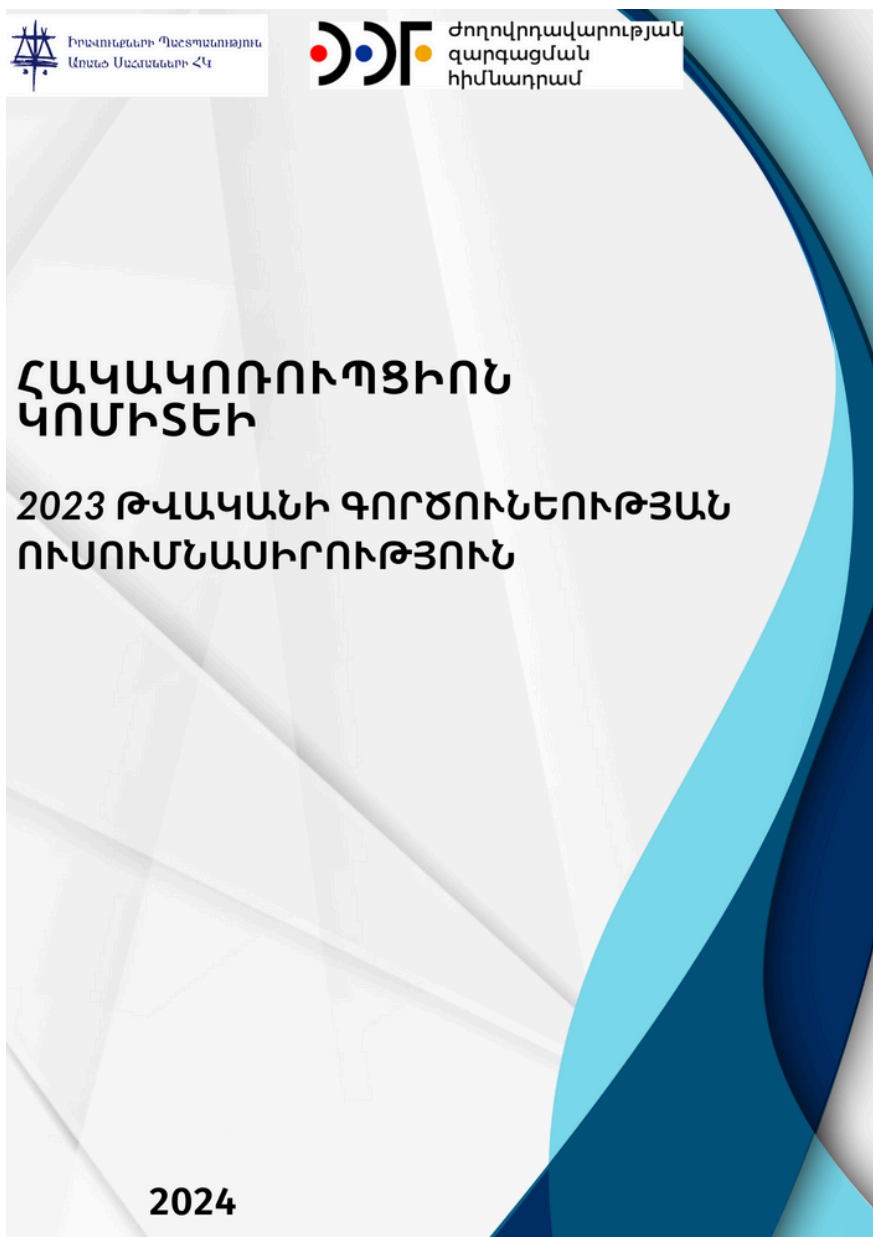
Առաջին ատյանի ընդհանուր իրավասության և մասնագիտացված դատարանների դատավորների թեկնածուների ցուցակի համալրման նպատակով հատուկ կարգով անցկացված որակավորման քննությունների վերաբերյալ. Օրենսդրական կարգավորումներ և պրակտիկա

2024

Key issues related to the Disciplinary Proceedings of Judges
Monitoring of proceedings for the period of January-June 2023

2024

The activities of the RA Anti-Corruption Committee have been studied



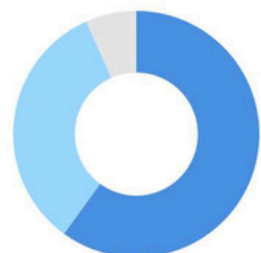
ANTI-CORRUPTION INSTITUTIONS

The selection process of judges for the RA Anti-Corruption Court has been examined

Հակակոռուպցիոն, վերաքննիչ Հակակոռուպցիոն դատարանների և Վճռաբեկ դատարանի հակակոռուպցիոն պալատի գործող դատավորների բարեվարչության վերաբերյալ

ՀՀ հակակոռուպցիոն դատարան

Հակակոռուպցիոն դատարանի թվով 15 դատավորներից 9-ի վերաբերյալ Կոռուպցիայի կանխարգելման հանձնաժողովը տրամադրել է դրական, թվով 5-ի վերաբերյալ՝ դրական վերապահումով, 1-ի վերաբերյալ՝ բացասական եզրակացություն:



ՀՀ վերաքննիչ հակակոռուպցիոն դատարան

Հակակոռուպցիոն վերաքննիչ դատարանի թվով 12 դատավորների վերաբերյալ Հանձնաժողովը տրամադրել է դրական եզրակացություն:

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Վճռաբեկ դատարանի հակակոռուպցիոն պալատի թվով 9 դատավորներից 3-ի վերաբերյալ Հանձնաժողովը տրամադրել է դրական, թվով 3-ի վերաբերյալ՝ դրական՝ վերապահումով, 2-ի վերաբերյալ՝ բացասական եզրակացություն:



"From November 2023 to May 31, 2024, 100 hearings on the confiscation of property of illicit origin were monitored in the RA Anti-Corruption Court. The report presenting the results of the monitoring is in its finalization stage

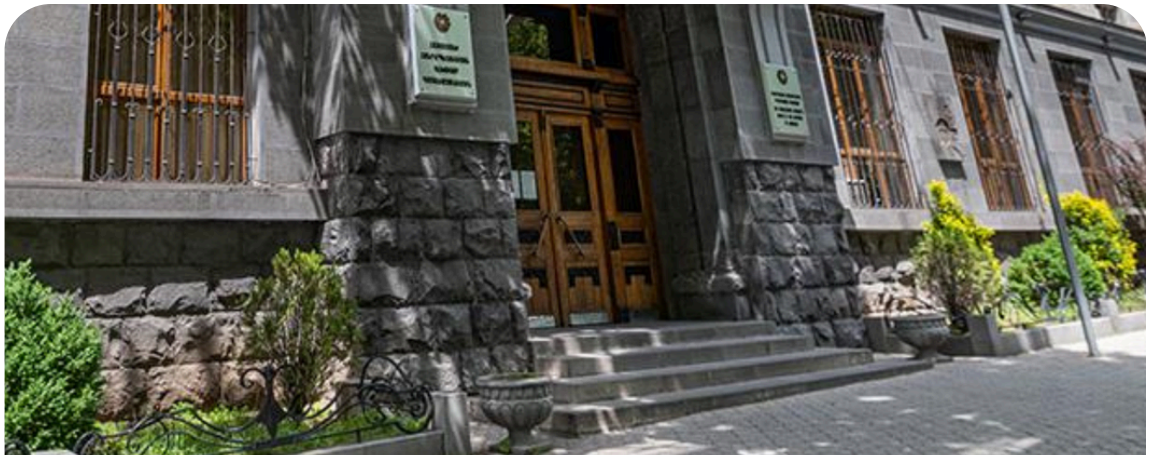


PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

The open competition organized for the selection of prosecutors responsible for the confiscation of property of illicit origin has been monitored.

A Concept for Prosecutorial Reforms Has Been Developed.

International best practices and the legislation and practice of the Republic of Armenia regarding the evaluation of prosecutors' performance have been studied.



Զեկույց

Ապօրինի ծագում ունեցող գույքի բռնագանձման մասին ՀՀ օրենքով նախատեսված գործառույթներ իրականացնող դատախազների թեկնածությունների ցուցակը համալրելու համար 2024թ. անցկացված բաց մրցույթի դիտարկման արդյունքները



LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS



OPINION

Opinions and proposals have been submitted regarding:

- **Amendments and additions to the Tax Code**
- **Risks of disproportionate restrictions on the rights of trial participants**
- **The draft law on amendments to the Law on the Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Armenia**
- **The draft law on amendments to the Law on Military Service and the Status of Servicemen of the Republic of Armenia**
- **The draft law on amendments to the Law on Freedom of Information of the Republic of Armenia**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



- **Continuous violence and torture by police officers**
- **Police actions on May 27**
- **legal actions of the RA Police during the Tavush for the Homeland movement's gathering at the Baghramyan-Demirchyan intersection on June 12**
- **The inadmissibility of Armenia withdrawing from interstate complaints against Azerbaijan**
- **The methods and pace of border delimitation and demarcation between the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Azerbaijan in the Tavush region**
- **The Armenia-EU visa liberalization process**
- **Draft laws on amendments to the Law on Police and related laws**
- **The inadmissibility of nominating a non-judge candidate for the Supreme Judicial Council**

EVENTS



Two-day training on Human Rights in Administrative Proceedings for employees of Yerevan Municipality and district administrations.



Final presentation and public discussion of the sub-grant program Public Works as an Effective Tool of Restorative Justice.



Discussion on Key Issues of Prosecutorial Reforms in the Republic of Armenia.

PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT



Press Conferences, Public Discussions, and Interviews **49**



32 Participation in international platforms and conferences, meetings with ambassadors and sectoral officials.



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The organization has been involved in:

- *The Coordinating Council for the 2023-2025 Action Plan derived from the National Strategy for Human Rights Protection*
- *The Expert Council on the Protection of Servicemembers' Rights under the RA Human Rights Defender*



The organization has also become a member of:

- *The Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement (CEPA) Civil Society Platform*
- *The Coalition for the International Criminal Court*



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