

**Korshun A.O. The Content of the principle of publicity and openness of the activity of judicial authorities: general aspects.** The article revealed the content of the principle of publicity and openness of the activity of judicial authorities from the standpoint of science and the theory of state and law. It was emphasised that the principle of publicity and openness of the activity of judicial authorities has not become the subject of general theoretical knowledge, this problem has traditionally been covered in the narrow-process aspect. It was substantiated that publicity, openness, accessibility of justice, etc., are elements of the transparency of the judiciary. Publicity and openness of the judiciary's activities are not identical phenomena, but are closely interconnected and complement each other.

The principle of transparency and openness of the judiciary's activities is of particular importance for the formation of the legal culture of society, increasing citizens' sense of justice, and their trust in the national judicial system; ensures social interconnection between the judicial branch of government and the public. The procedural aspects of the principle of publicity and openness of the activity of judicial bodies were revealed. It was emphasised that the development of e-justice and ensuring the principle of publicity and openness of the activity of judicial authorities are mutually reinforcing.

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