

**Goptarev O.I. Transparency as the legal and social phenomenon in the activity of the judicial authority** The article analyzes the transparency as a legal and social phenomenon in the activity of the judiciary. There is the definition of the concept, genesis and essence of transparency in the activity of the judiciary. The historical aspects of the development of the judiciary are considered, the place of transparency in the system of the judiciary has been determined. It is revealed that the transparency of the judiciary influences the legality and quality of the work of the judiciary, satisfies the saturation of the information portal of the public and reduces the risks of the use of public control.

The author has concluded that the lack of transparency in the activity of judicial bodies during the period of civil society development leads to negative consequences: closedness of judicial structures and mass violation of citizens' rights and freedoms; the fall of authority and the level of public confidence; politicization; inefficient and misuse of budget funds; abuse and corruption as a result of the involvement of judicial authorities in economic activity; unsatisfactory moral and psychological state of employees of these structures; decrease in the pace of judicial reform.

In case of slowing the pace of transparency, public discontent will increase, which will lead to public control, of course, in a lawful way. The disclosed provisions do not fully address the provision of transparency, and therefore scientific research in this area should be continued.

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