

**Serhiy V. Chuchko. Assessment of initial information and scope of circumstances, to be established during the investigation of fraud in the purchase and sale of goods via Internet: certain aspects.** The article examines certain aspects of assessing the initial information and the range of circumstances to be established in the investigation of fraud in the sale and purchase of goods via the Internet.

The current regulatory legal acts governing the procedural procedure for obtaining and registering information about criminal offenses are analyzed and the sources that most often contain information about the commission of fraud when buying and selling goods via the Internet are considered separately. The ways, order and problematic issues faced by practitioners in obtaining and evaluating initial information are determined. Investigated the circumstances that are subject to proof and establishment in the investigation of fraud in the sale and purchase of goods via the Internet. It is concluded that the greatest difficulties in assessing the initial information about fraud in the sale of goods over the Internet, arise during the determination of preliminary legal qualifications, which further affects the pre-trial investigation, as well as the choice of procedural measures will further carry out within the limits of investigation of a criminal offense.

The circumstances to be proved and established during the investigation of fraud in the sale of goods via the Internet are considered. Taking into account the systematic analysis of legislation, research of scientific works, research results of investigative and judicial practice, as well as surveys of practitioners, the circumstances to be established during the investigation of fraud in the sale of goods via the Internet, it is proposed to divide into: circumstances relating to the event fraud in the purchase and sale of goods via the Internet; circumstances concerning the identity of the victim and the offender; causal circumstances; other circumstances.

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