

INHERITANCE RELATIONS AS A MECHANISM FOR EXERCISING INHERITANCE RIGHTS

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Problem statement. Inheritance legal relations are one of the most important categories of civil law that ensure the succession of property and certain non-property rights from a deceased person to his or her heirs. In the current context of the transformation of Ukraine's legal system and harmonisation of national legislation with European standards, the issue of inheritance rights is of particular importance. Inheritance is an integral element of the legal culture and socio-economic structure of society, which ensures the stability of civil turnover and the continuity of generations. Despite the long history of the inheritance institution, the legal regulation of inheritance relations is constantly being improved to ensure effective protection of the rights and interests of all participants. The mechanism for exercising inheritance rights is a complex system that includes procedures for opening an inheritance, accepting an inheritance, exercising and protecting inheritance rights. The growing number of inheritance disputes in court practice demonstrates the need for an in-depth scientific study of the problems of inheritance rights. Particular attention should be paid to the issues of the legal status of subjects of inheritance relations, determination of the objects of inheritance, application of the principles of inheritance law and the procedure for registration of inheritance rights. The solution of theoretical and practical problems in the area of inheritance relations will contribute to the improvement of current legislation and increase the efficiency of law enforcement practice, which underlines the relevance of the chosen research topic.

Methods. The methodological basis of the study is formed by such methods as the dialectical method of cognition, which allowed to consider inheritance legal relations in their development and interrelation; formal legal method used to analyze the legal provisions governing inheritance legal relations; systemic and structural method used to determine the place of inheritance legal relations in the system of civil law; comparative legal method which helped to identify the peculiarities of inheritance rights implementation in different legal situations; method of generalisation of case law.

Results. Inheritance legal relations have a complex structure with clearly defined subjects and objects, as well as specific legal facts that determine their emergence and development. The key point is the role of the testator's will in forming the circle of heirs, which determines the further dynamics of inheritance relations.

Moreover, the principles of inheritance law play an important role in determining the basic mechanisms of inheritance. They ensure a balance between the personal rights of the testator and the social needs of society, creating fair conditions for the regulation of inheritance relations. These principles are the basis on which the entire system of inheritance law is built, and their application allows for efficiency and fairness in the process of transferring property after a person's death.

In summary, the protection of inheritance rights and the resolution of inheritance disputes is an important component of the legal system that guarantees the fair transfer of property and rights after a person's death. Since inheritance relations affect the interests of many people, they require clear legal regulation and an effective mechanism for protecting the rights of the parties to these relations.

Conclusions. Inheritance legal relations are a complex phenomenon of civil law that regulates the transfer of property rights and obligations from a deceased person to his or her heirs. Inheritance legal relations are characterised by their property nature and arise only after the death of the testator, which distinguishes them from other types of civil legal relations. The principles of Ukrainian inheritance law, although not directly enshrined in legal acts, follow from the content of legal norms and are universal. The protection of inheritance rights is an integral part of the legal system that ensures the fair transfer of property and rights after a person's death to his or her successors. Inheritance disputes often arise from disagreements over inheritance rights, the legality of wills, and the registration of inheritance rights etc.

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