
In Volgograd man charged with fraud put on trial

The Volgograd Region investigating bodies of the Russia's Investigative Committee have finished investigating a criminal case against former judge of Kirov District Court of Volgograd, former lawyer of the Volgograd Region Board of Lawyers charged with 5 counts of crimes under part 2 of article 159 of the RF Penal Code (fraud involving considerable damage to a citizen).

According to investigators, while committing three counts of fraud the accused was a lawyer with the Volgograd Region Board of Lawyers and was working in a consulting room in Kirov District in Volgograd. Between 2010 and 2013, citizens applied to the accused for qualified legal assistance. He concluded with them agreements on rendering paid legal assistance as their representative in court. Getting hold of the money – 29 thousand 500 rubles, which the citizens had given to him as a fee, the accused did not execute the provisions of the agreements and did not represent them in court. While committing two similar counts of fraud, not being a lawyer anymore, the accused continued to come into the consulting room, where he saw people, who had come to get some legal advice. He introduced himself as a lawyer, concluded with them agreements on paid legal assistance and got 35 thousand rubles as a fee. However, he did not provided any legal assistance.

By his criminal actions the accused caused 5 victims a loss of a total of 64 thousand 500 rubles, however, he compensated the damage of 10 thousand rubles to only one victim of his own accord. The rest of the victims filed civil actions worth total of 54 thousand 500 rubles, to secure which a body of initial investigation arrested the car of the accused worth 245 thousand rubles.

During the investigation the accused admitted his guilt, signing the surrender and applied for the court to try the case in a special order.

The investigators have gathered enough evidence, therefore, the criminal case with the approved indictment has been sent to court.

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