
In Moscow Region lawyer put on trial for attempted fraud on especially large scale



The Second Special Office of the Moscow Region Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee has finished investigating a criminal case against a lawyer of a Moscow lawyer consulting room. He is charged with a crime under part 3 of article 30, part 4 of article 159 of the RF Penal Code (attempted fraud in an especially large amount).

On 29 January 2013, the lawyer concluded with a citizen a contract on legal advice in criminal case opened against the man for an attempted fraud. The case was investigated by an investigator of the Organized Crime and Corruption Office of the Investigative Department of the Russian Interior Ministry. Between February and May 2013, the lawyer and his client developed trustful relationships connected with legal advice. At the state period of time the investigator discussed with the lawyer a pretrial cooperation deal with his client, of which a request has to be filed.

The lawyer had a criminal intent of stealing money from his client by means of a fraud. This way, on 22 June 2013, the lawyer informed the client that for positive decision on the pretrial deal, the latter had to pass 3 million rubles to the investigator through the lawyer. During further phone talks from 23 to 29 July 2013 the lawyer asked the client about the progress of getting the money and on 30 July gave the defendant a cooperation deal, which the latter signed. The same day the lawyer put the paper in the mail box of the Investigative Department of the Russian Ministry of Interior.

During further phone talks from 30 July to 5 August 2013 the lawyer insisted that the money should have been given to him immediately. On 6 August the lawyer received 100 thousand US dollars equal to 3 million 228 thousand 110 rubles at currency exchange rate of that time from his client in a Isuzu Trooper car. He had not time to spend the money as was detained by officers of the Federal Security Service immediately after receiving it.

The investigators have gathered enough evidence, therefore, the case with the approved indictment has been sent to court to be tried on the merits.

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