

# Legal opinion on the Regulation of the Superior Council of Magistrates on access to court premises

On 2 February 2017, a public hearing organized by the Superior Council of Magistrates for debate on the modification of the Regulation on Access to Court Premises took place. We note that the Regulation was adopted at the end of September of the previous year and was published in the Official Monitor on 21 October 2016. Its provisions impose restrictions on access for common citizens to court premises and hearings.

Promo-LEX believes that some provisions, which require the presentation of identity documents for citizens to access court premises—in effect conditioning access for journalists as well—to be unjust.

In the course of the meeting the Promo-LEX Association's representative and other participants formulated many proposals for modifying the Regulation, which we believe should be implemented by members of the Working Group. Details about all the changes proposed by Promo-LEX can be found [here](#).

In addition, Promo-LEX recommends that, in the future, when developing normative acts, the Superior Council of Magistrates respect the provisions of Law nr. 239 on Transparency in the Decision Process, the principles established in art. 5 of that Law, and art. 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights.

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