

## THE ISSUE OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE OF THE CUSTOMS LAWYER

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The subject of the work is the professional competence of a lawyer. The purpose of the article is to reveal the notion of competence, to highlight its main components. The results of the work can be used to prepare lawyers, in particular customs lawyers, as well as to improve the skills of specialists in the field of customs law. The article is devoted to the problem of professional competence of lawyers in the sphere of state customs. The definitions of professional competence are given in connection with such concepts as “abilities”, “preparedness”, “moral qualities”, “knowledge”. The components of the professional competence of a lawyer are determined (cognitive, motivational-target, social, axiological and autopsychological). The specificity of the competence of the customs lawyer is indicated. The importance of the cognitive and social component was underlined. It is suggested to develop more actively the qualities of future specialists in the moral and ethical aspect, to create conditions for effective language (linguistic and communicative) training. The modern requirements for professional competence of lawyers provide for the formation of key competencies in the specialist as a synthesis of knowledge and skills, universal abilities and readiness to solve various problems (social, professional), as well as special professional competencies and professionally significant qualities of a lawyer. Thus, there is a wide scope for researching the problem of professional competence and introducing new methods for improving the level of professionalism and professional readiness of a lawyer, particularly in the field of customs.

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