

**Order issued by the Plenary of the Federal Constitutional Court on 21 November 2017,
amending the Order of 24 November 2015 in the version of 22 November 2016
pursuant to § 14(4) of the Federal Constitutional Court Act**

Translation provided by the Federal Constitutional Court

On 21 November 2017, the Plenary of the Federal Constitutional Court, acting under § 14(4) of the Federal Constitutional Court Act (*Bundesverfassungsgerichtsgesetz*) in the version published on 11 August 1993 (Federal Law Gazette, *Bundesgesetzblatt* – BGBl I p. 1473) and most recently amended by Article 8 of the Regulation of 31 August 2015 (BGBl I p. 1474), decided as follows:

I.

The Order of the Plenary of the Federal Constitutional Court of 24 November 2015 (BGBl 2016 I p. 118), most recently amended by the Order of the Plenary of 22 November 2016 (BGBl I p. 2929) is recast as follows:

Sections A. II. and III. are replaced by the following:

“II. for both judicial review proceedings and constitutional complaints that are brought before the Court in the judicial years 2016 to 2018 and that deal with

1. the law on displaced persons from the territories of the former German *Reich*;
2. corporate tax law and tax law on corporate transformations;
3. weapons law;
4. the right of petition;
5. the law on execution sales and compulsory enforcement [translator’s note: of judgments and other executory titles] (excluding certain proceedings for a judicial decision on substantive claims);
6. insolvency law (excluding proceedings in which a violation of Article 12 of the Basic Law is asserted).

- III. For constitutional complaints that are brought before the Court from the judicial year 2018 and thereafter that deal with civil matters, **with the exception of** the following subject-matters (including all related proceedings with regard to official liability, legal costs, legal aid, legal assistance, judicial delay, and challenges for possible bias):
1. the general right of personality;
 2. freedom of faith and freedom to profess a belief (Article 4(1) and (2) of the Basic Law);
 3. freedom of expression, information, broadcasting and the press (Article 5 of the Basic Law);
 4. family law (including the law related to guardianship, naming, civil status and transsexuals);
 5. intellectual property law;
 6. data protection law;
 7. freedom of the arts and freedom of research and teaching (Article 5(3) of the Basic Law);
 8. freedom of assembly (Article 8 of the Basic Law);
 9. freedom of association (Article 9 of the Basic Law);
 10. the law relating to self-employed and generally individually exercised professions (including the law relating to the pension schemes for such professions);
 11. inheritance law;
 12. tenancy law;
 13. competition law;
 14. property issues related to real estate and to corporations in connection with German reunification;
 15. construction and land law including the law relating to land development and expropriation;
 16. company law including co-operatives law;
 17. the law pertaining to the insurance sector,
 18. banking, stock exchange and securities law;
 19. credit law including collateral security interests;
 20. the law relating to financial market stabilisation including expropriations;
 21. regulatory law;
 22. the law on contracts for services and contracts for work and labour including lawyer-client agreements and medical contract law;

23. other matters of tort law;
24. commercial law issues relating to public health insurance;
25. enforcement of claims governed by public law;
26. the law on home ownership;
27. sales law.”

II.

This order enters into force on 1 January 2018.

Karlsruhe, 21 November 2017

The President
of the Federal Constitutional Court

(Prof. Dr. Andreas Voßkuhle)