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LEGAL LEXIS IN THE CONTEXT OF TERMINOLOGIZATION AND DETERMINOLOGIZATION PROCESSES IN THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE

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Legal lexis is an integral part of everyday life, and society frequently employs legal terms without necessarily being aware of their legal significance. Legal terms are used to precisely designate legal concepts, norms, institutions, procedures, and other aspects of law. According to Pigolkin, a legal term in the Russian language is a specialized word or expression that corresponds to a specific concept within the legal domain [1, p. 65]. The processes of terminologization and determinologization are essential aspects of the functioning of legal lexis in the Russian language.

Terminologization and determinologization may occur for various reasons:

- a) the emergence of new concepts and technologies necessitates the creation of new terms for their description and discussion;
- b) the borrowing of terms from other languages or the adoption of international standards can contribute to the unification of terminology;
- c) specialized communities and organizations may actively work on the standardization of terms within their field;
- d) the introduction of new laws and regulatory acts may require new definitions and terms.

Let us refer to the specialized reference book Legal Dictionary to analyze the term «Адвокатская тайна». According to the dictionary, it refers to information regarding the issues for which a client has sought legal assistance, the substance of consultations, clarifications, and references provided by the attorney, details of the client's private life, information received from the client about the circumstances of a crime in a criminal case in which the attorney was defending the client's rights, freedoms, and interests, as well as data constituting the client's trade secret [2]. It can be considered that «Адвокатская тайна» is a terminologized expression, as it consists of commonly used words but is employed in legal discourse to designate information that an attorney has learned from a client.

«*Близкое родство*» refers to relationships arising from blood ties between parents and others, which are classified as close kinship [2]. «*Близкое родство*» is a terminologized phrase, as it consists of commonly used words but is specifically employed to define relationships between blood relatives.

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