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### **Criminalistic Classification of Crimes in the Housing Construction Sphere**

This article provides criminalistic classification of crimes in the housing construction sphere on the basis of examined court practice which includes generic, popular criminal schemes and technologies and construction stages.

It is established that construction business is extremely attractive for criminals involved in financial contrivance and corrupted officials. Types of crimes vary depending on the nature of illegal act and criminals responsible for its committal – that is why clear classification is required in order to design the key provisions of the investigative methodology. A few classification criteria may be applied.

Applying generic object of offence to the construction crimes we can separate crimes against property, crimes concerning professional and official activities in public service sector, crimes against the state bodies, local government, community and media authority, crimes against production safety, business crimes etc.

Depending on the methods and technologies socially dangerous acts in construction sphere are divided into embezzlement by state officials, construction financing crimes, crimes connected with safety rules violations, power abuse during documents drafting, signing or receipt combined with corruptive actions.

According to construction stage division crimes can be divided into pre-construction, construction, post-construction and construction completion crimes.

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