STATEMENT

by

Natalia Vasileva Kiselova, PhD, Associate Professor in the Department of Constitutional Law, Faculty of Law, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", member of the Scientific Jury appointed by Order № P33-5714 / 26.11.2020, for awarding the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in the field of higher education: 3. Social, economic and legal sciences, professional field: 3.6. Law, doctoral program "Administrative Law and Administrative Process" at Department of Public Law, Faculty of Law, Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski" on ILIYANA ILIEVA MITEVA, self-study doctoral student, with the topic of the dissertation: "ADMINISTRATIVE-LEGAL REGIME REGARDING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN BULGARIAN LAW", supervisor: Prof. Darina Zinovieva, PhD

Distinguished members of the Scientific Jury,

By Order № P33-5714 / 26.11.2020 of the Rector of the Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski", I was appointed a member of the Scientific Jury to provide a procedure for the defense of a dissertation on "ADMINISTRATIVE-LEGAL REGIME REGARDING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN BULGARIAN LAW" for obtaining the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in the field of higher education: 3. Social, economic and legal sciences, professional field: 3.6. Law, doctoral program "Administrative Law and Administrative Process" at the Department of Public Law, Faculty of Law, Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski". The author of the dissertation is ILIYANA ILIEVA MITEVA, self-study doctoral student at the Department of Public Law with supervisor Prof. Darina Zinovieva, PhD.

The set of materials on electronic media presented by ILIYANA ILIEVA MITEVA is in accordance with Art. 36, para. 1 of the Regulations for development of the academic staff of Plovdiv University and includes the following documents:

- Request to the Rector of Plovdiv University for disclosure of the procedure for defense of the dissertation;
- Autobiography;
- Order for enrollment in doctoral studies;
- Dissertation work;
- Abstract in Bulgarian and English;
- Minutes of the department council, with preliminary discussion of the dissertation, together with an order for expansion of the composition of the department;
- list of scientific publications on the topic of the dissertation;
- references for the national minimum requirements and for the observance of the special requirements of the Law Firm;
- declaration of originality and authenticity of the attached documents.

After getting acquainted with the materials presented to me, I give the following statement: **1. Fulfillment of the legal requirements regarding the procedure.**

The procedure is open and is carried out in accordance with the requirements of Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations for its Implementation and the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the Plovdiv

University "Paisii Hilendarski". The required documents are submitted within the legal deadline. I believe that the requirements for the dissertation to be presented in a form and volume corresponding to the specific requirements of the primary unit in which the doctoral student has conducted his research - Department of Public Law at Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski". The self-study doctoral student meets the basic requirements of Art. 6 DASRBA (Development of Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria Act) and the Regulations on its implementation, has a degree "master" in "Law" of Plovdiv University; carried out and a preparation as required by law and is laid and the required examinations; presented a dissertation and publications on the topic of labor; deduced and is a decision of the primary unit with the right of defense.

2. Evaluation of the volume, structure and content of the dissertation and scientific contributions.

Presented to our attention by PhD student Iliyana Miteva dissertation work is characterized by humanity and comprehensiveness of the problems of people with disabilities. The topic is highly relevant because a comprehensive legal analysis of the new special legislation in the field of disabilities in Bulgaria is made.

The choice of the theme of the present study is determined by permanent research interests Doctoral Department and to the full integration of people with disabilities and the role of public authorities in this long and painful issue, as evidenced by the list of attached publications. The practical value of the study could be illustrated by proposals de lege ferenda, made by PhD student cat while.

The presented dissertation is an independent study, which in an original way examines the repealed and new legal framework, case law and European policies regarding people with disabilities and in this sense contains scientific contributions. The novelty also stems from the study of the executive bodies, which have competence in relation to people with disabilities. For the first time in legal work in the field of administrative law, the status and powers of the Agency for People with Disabilities, Monitoring Council and the National Council for People with Disabilities are considered. The dissertation has a pronounced relevance, is characterized by a good knowledge of the theory and methodology of the problem.

The work is an expression of the independent efforts of self-study PhD student and is a scientific essay on an issue that has not been subject to such legal scientific research.

The abstract is also formatted according to the rules. The publications resulting from research author and related thesis. They reflect some moments of the dissertation. Publications during the time a river ant Miteva show that scientific her interests and results of its activities are publicly available scientific and specialist environments.

The dissertation is 289 pages long. The study consists of an introductory part, a main part, co January it is structured and eleven heads and conclusion. A list of used and cited legal and other literature is attached. Footnotes are 161.

3. Critical remarks and recommendations

The dissertation is the first serious scientific work of any scientist. Like any first serious work, the dissertation proposed for an opinion has some weaknesses and imperfections, as well as significant fragmentation in its structuring. In case the number of critical remarks is not likely to affect the overall positive assessment of the thesis, but can be taken into account in subsequent his issue.

In legal theory, the word "Administrative law" and its derivatives are used as a term in one word. Therefore, the term should be used in this way in the title and in the text of the dissertation, and not in bold spelling.

The author's desire to cover all aspects of the legal framework, and not only the administrative one, regarding people with disabilities, has led to this atypical structure with excessive fragmentation for work in the legal field. I believe that the work would gain significantly if the structure of the exhibition is optimized. Also, when affecting the National Assembly, do not use the plural "legislative bodies".

4. Conclusion

Based on all of the above, I accept that the proposed dissertation is an independent research in the field of legal theory. The work contains indisputable scientific contributions relevant to both legal theory and practice. I believe that the study meets the requirements of Art. 6, para.3 of Development of Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria Act and of art. 27 of the Regulations for its implementation. I express my **positive** assessment of labor to the honorable members of Jury award ILIYANA ILIEVA MITEVA educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in the professional 3.6 Law / "Administrative Law and administrative process"/ and will vote for it.

25.01.2021

Assoc. Prof. Natalia Kiselova, PhD