MAIN STRANDS IN LEGAL PSYCHOANALYSIS. THE LEGAL TEXT UNDER PSYCHOANALYTIC HERMENEUTICS

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ABSTRACT: We have tried in this article to identify the unconscious mechanisms behind the legal discourse, whether it is the decision-making process by the judge, the substantiation of a court decision or a doctrinal opinion in the legal sciences. We have also tried to identify the unconscious processes that trigger the criminogenic behaviour and those that condition the positioning of the individual in relation to the law. Moreover, we have tried to show that the legal text is no stranger to the unconscious mechanisms of the person who creates it, his / her own traumas, suppressed desires or drives. Thus, we can firmly sustain that a court ruling or a legal opinion can never be clearly separated from the very unconscious of the person who "sets the law", and that the judge, who theoretically "sets the law", becomes the one who "makes the law".

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²Regarding the notion of "justice", see also (Lazar, 2011)