

**CRIMINAL LIABILITY OF THE CHAIRMAN OF
THE ELECTORAL OFFICE OF THE VOTE SECTION**

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ABSTRACT: *Unlike the previous legislation on electoral contraventions, legislation that was not consolidated in one piece of legislation, but was, on the contrary, spread in several special laws (Law No. 67/2004, Law No. 33/2007, Law no. 3/2000, Law 35/2008 and Law 370/2004) from February 1, 2014, the electoral offenses are included only in the New Penal Code (NCP), in Title IX, art. 385, art. 392. The regrouping of electoral offenses into a distinct title of the New Criminal Code is based on several reasons, namely:*

- *ensuring greater stability of these texts and eliminating existing regulatory parallelism in previous legislation;*
- *eliminating uncorrelations or differences in regulation from different special laws,*
- *a better systematization of criminalization in this matter, having regard to their legal object,*
- *a more correct legal personalization.*

Therefore, according to the New Penal Code, the electoral contraventions are the following:

- *preventing the exercise of electoral rights (Article 385);*
- *corruption of voters (article 386);*
- *voting fraud (Article 387);*
- *electronic voting fraud (Article 388);*
- *violation of voting confidentiality (article 389);*
- *non-observance of the ballot box regime (Article 390);*
- *forgery of electoral documents and records (Article 391);*
- *acts committed in connection with a referendum (Article 392).*

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