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Title: Professional Ethics of Judges in the Czech Republic

Subtitle: The role of social media in the life of a judge

Abstract: This thesis focuses on the topic of professional ethics of judges in the Czech Republic with a focus on the role of social media in the life of a judge. It first outlines the concepts of ethics, morality and professional ethics of judges (prerequisites for the exercise of the office, duties of a judge in general, independence and impartiality of a judge, extra-legal aspects of influence on judges, the topic of corruption and judges' salaries, basic principles and their reflection in international law and the issue of incompatibility). In addition to defining and categorising social media (according to different approaches, in particular focusing on communication platforms and multimedia platforms), the thesis focuses on their positive aspects, their potential for education in particular, and also on their negative aspects (e.g. the impact on mental health); recommendations are also given on what can be chosen to reduce the risks associated with the use of social media. The thesis analyses the Czech codes of ethics for judges (the Code of Ethics of the Judges' Union of the Czech Republic and the Code of Ethics of the Supreme Court of the Czech Republic) in terms of the parts relevant to the use of social media, and adds an important opinion of the Court of Ethics of the Judges' Union, which provides a supporting basis for the role of social networks in the life of a judge in terms of professional ethics. The aim of the thesis is to outline possible starting points for the assessment of individual cases and to understand the nature of the relationships of social media users and specifically judges as users of social media. The thesis includes a list of possible examples where the use of social media sites does not pose a significant risk, while also providing examples of social media site use

that, on the other hand, demonstrate conduct contrary to professional ethics. A separate section is devoted to the relationships of social media users and the nature of this relationship, i.e. the question of how similar this relationship is to traditional friendship.

Key words: professional ethics, judges, and social media