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**STATUS AND FEATURES OF REALIZATION OF MILITARY LEGISLATION
OF UKRAINIAN STATE AT THE TIME OF HETMAN P. SKOROPADSKYI**

The article analyses the status and features of the military law system of the Ukrainian State at the time of Hetman Skoropadsky. Negative and positive aspects of a comprehensive mechanism for implementing the requirements in the system of acts of military law for a specified period are identified.

The urgency of the problems is associated with that reform and effective development of the modern Armed Forces of Ukraine directly depends on the need to rethink and take into account the positive historical and genetic quality of some legal mechanisms embodied in the genesis of complex processes of implementing acts of Ukrainian military law, in particular, in the period of Ukrainian State at the time of Hetman Skoropadsky (29.04 – 14.12.1918).

It is believed that Hetman Pavlo Skoropadsky as a hereditary and professional soldier did

everything possible to create and organize an efficient national army. With his assistance, there was created quite powerful, integrated, horizontally and hierarchically structured new national military and legal mechanism for the implementation of acts of the military law of Ukrainian State.

Despite the relatively developed system of military law of Ukrainian State, which consolidated effective legal mechanisms for implementing universal military duty of citizens; rights and obligations of the Cossacks during active military service; the manner of electing officers, military judges; disciplinary authorities; military judiciary process, etc.; there was a failure to form a national army in the absence of broad popular support, foreign military intervention, gross errors in the mechanism of personnel manning.