

Federal Decree by Law No. (21) of 2022, Regulating the Profession of Experts before Judicial Authorities

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President of the United Arab

- Having reviewed:
- The Constitution;
- Federal Law No. (1) of 1972 Concerning the Competences of Ministries and the Powers of Ministers, as amended;
- Federal Law No. (5) of 1985 Promulgating the Civil Transactions Law of the United Arab Emirates, as amended;
- Federal Law No. (10) of 1992 Promulgating the Law of Evidence in Civil and Commercial Transactions, as amended;
- Federal Law No. (11) of 1992 Promulgating the Civil Procedure Code, as amended;
- Federal Law No. (35) of 1992 Promulgating the Criminal Procedure Code, as amended;
- Federal Law No. (7) of 2012 Regulating the Profession of Experts Before Judicial Authorities;
- Federal Law No. (14) of 2016 Concerning Administrative Violations and Penalties in the Federal Government;
- Federal Decree- Law No. (26) of 2019 on Public Finance;
- Federal Decree- Law No. (31) of 2021 Promulgating the Law of Crimes and Penalties;
- Federal Decree- Law No. (33) of 2021 Regulating Labor Relations; and

- Based on the proposal of the Minister of Justice and approval of the Cabinet,

Hereby enact the following Decree-Law:

Article (1) Definitions

For the purposes of applying the provisions of the Present Decree-Law, the following words and expressions shall bear the meanings assigned thereto respectively, unless the context requires otherwise:

The State (UAE):	The United Arab Emirates.
The Ministry:	The Ministry of Justice.
The Minister:	The Minister of Justice.
The Competent Licensing Authority:	The local authority competent to issue professional licenses for experts and expert firms.
The Competent Judicial Authority:	Courts and the Public Prosecution.
The Competent Court of Appeal :	The court of appeal determined by virtue of a resolution of the Minister.

The Committee:	The Experts' Affairs Committee formed under Article (21) of the present Decree-Law.
The Board:	The Experts and Expert Firms Disciplinary Board established under Article (24) of the present Decree-Law.
The Competent Department:	The organizational unit concerned with experts' affairs at the Ministry.
Profession of Experts:	A technical work practiced, based on the assignment of the Competent Judicial Authority or the litigants' agreement, as the case may be, by experts to submit their technical or scientific reports to the Competent Judicial Authority as per the areas of their specialties.
The Roster:	The Roster of Experts and Expert Firms at the Ministry.
Expert Services:	A specialized work practiced, based on the assignment of the Competent Judicial Authority or the litigants' agreement, as the case may be, by the Expert to express a verbal or written technical opinion in any case or incident assigned thereto.
Expert:	A natural person licensed to practice the profession of experts, whether he is appointed in the Ministry or registered in the Roster.
Expert Firm:	A legal person licensed to practice the Profession of Experts in the State and registered in the Roster, including local and international expert firms.

Technical Inspector:	An expert with relevant knowledge and experience who is appointed in the Competent Department and who performs technical audit and inspection of the Expert Services and follows up on their reports and technical competent in the actions assigned thereto.
The Code of Conduct:	A set of professional, ethical and behavioral norms and rules which the Expert and Expert Firms shall adhere to when performing the expert Services.

Article (2) Objectives of the Law

The present Decree-Law aims at achieving the following:

1. Regulating the Expert Services before the judicial authorities;
2. Providing the judicial authorities with qualified Experts, in a way that helps ensure the accuracy of court decisions and judgments delivered by them;
3. Developing the Expert Services and improving the efficiency of Experts, with a view to expediting judicial procedures; and
4. Boosting confidence in those who perform the Expert Services within specific professional, ethical and behavioral norms.

Article (3) Applicability

The provisions of the present Decree-Law shall apply to any person who performs the Expert Services before the judicial authorities in the State, with the exception of the local judicial authorities and arbitration centers which regulate the Profession of Experts before them under their local legislation.

Article (4) Practice of the Profession of Experts

1. Any expert or expert firms not registered in the Roster may not practice the Profession of Experts before the judicial authorities in the State.
2. Notwithstanding the provision of Clause (1) of this Article, the litigants may agree to assign an Expert or Expert Firm who is not registered in the Roaster to prepare a report on the dispute pending before the Competent Judicial Authority or on part thereof, provided that the Competent Judicial Authority approves their agreement. The judicial authority may seek assistance of unregistered experts or expert firms.
3. The Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law shall set the controls for seeking assistance of unregistered Experts or Expert Firms, referred to in Clause (2) of this Article.

Article (5) The Roster of Experts and Expert Firms

1. There shall be created, at the Ministry, a Roster for registering Experts and Expert Firms in the specialties for which they are registered. Each Expert shall have a file in which anything related to the affairs related to the practice of the profession shall be recorded.
2. All information about Experts and Expert Firms determined by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law and any update thereto shall be recorded in the Roster.
3. By virtue of a resolution of the Minister, the classification, categories and specialties of Experts and the controls and requirements for determining the technical specialties whereby Experts are licensed, depending on the needs of the competent judicial authorities.

Article (6) Conditions of Registration of the Expert in the Roster

In order for an Expert to be registered in the Roster, the following conditions shall be fulfilled:

1. He shall be fully competent and medically fit.
2. He shall be of good conduct and good reputation, and shall have never been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude or dishonesty, if he had been rehabilitated.
3. He shall have a university degree from one of the universities or higher institutes accredited in the State in the area of specialization for which his registration is required.
4. His practical experience in the area of experience for which registration is required shall not be less than five (5) years for nationals and fifteen (15) years for non-nationals.
5. The number of areas of specialization for which his registration in the Roster is required shall not exceed two areas in the same business sector.
6. He shall have the approval of the entity he works for or the holder of a valid commercial license in the same specialization for which his registration is required or shall work by such license.
7. He shall attend the training courses designated for Experts and organized or determined by the Ministry, in accordance with the training plan approved thereby in this regard.
8. He shall pass the examinations determined by the Ministry.
9. He provide a valid professional liability insurance policy issued by one of the insurance companies licensed to operate in the State, unless the Expert's liability is covered by an insurance policy of the Expert Firm for which he works, in accordance with the controls set by the Minister.

10. He shall have never been struck off the Roster, in implementation of a decision by the Board or the Competent Court of Appeal, unless three (3) years has been elapsed since the issuance of the decision or judgment.
11. He shall pay the prescribed fees.

Article (7) Conditions of Registration of Expert Firms in the Roster

In order for an Expert Firm to be registered in the Roster, the following conditions shall be fulfilled:

1. As for local Expert Firms:
 - a. It shall be licensed to operate in the State by the Competent Licensing Authority, and its license shall be valid.
 - b. Its supervising manager shall be an Expert registered in the Roster.
 - c. The number of Experts in the local Expert Firm shall not be less than four (4) Experts, provided that they are registered in the Roster.
 - d. The number of areas of specialization for which its registration in the Roster is required shall not exceed four areas of specialization.
 - e. It shall provide a valid professional liability insurance policy for the benefit of the Ministry throughout the duration of the registration. Such insurance policy shall be issued by one of the insurance companies licensed to operate in the State, in accordance with the controls set by the Minister.
 - f. It shall pay the prescribed fees.
2. As for international Expert Firms:
 - a. It shall be licensed to operate in the State by the Competent Licensing Authority, and its license shall be valid.

- b. Its provide a valid license of the main branch outside the State, in addition to providing valid licenses of at least two branches thereof in different states.
- c. Its practical experience in the area of specialization for which registration is required shall not be less than ten (10) years.
- d. Its supervising manager shall be an Expert registered in the Roster.
- e. The number of Experts in the international Expert Firm shall not be less than five (5) Experts, who shall be residents in the State and qualified, provided that their documents and resumes which meet the conditions are submitted to the Committee for approval of the area of experience required.
- f. The number of areas of specialization for which its registration in the Roster is required shall not exceed five areas of specialization.
- g. It shall provide a valid professional liability insurance policy issued by one of the insurance companies licensed to operate in the State, in accordance with the controls set by the Minister.
- h. It shall pay the prescribed fees.

Article (8) Exemption from Certain Conditions of Registration in the Roster

The Committee may exempt some natural persons or Expert Firms from certain conditions of registration in the Roster, set forth in Articles (6) and (7) of the present Decree-Law, in any of the following two cases:

1. Licensing employees of the government agencies;
2. Any Expert who has been registered in the Roster prior to the entry into force of the present Decree-Law, in the event that the Committee finds that he has the necessary competency and experience through reviewing his record and the number of expert services which have been assigned to him and he has accomplished.

3. Persons with scarce expertise, in cases where there are no similar Experts registered in the Roster, or their number is insufficient.

Article (9) Procedures for Registration in the Roster

1. The Committee shall examine the application for registration in the Roster in accordance with the conditions and controls set by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law.
2. The Committee shall decide on the application within sixty (60) days from the date of submission and notify the applicant of the decision within ten (10) working days. Any Expert whose application has been rejected may challenge the decision issued by the Committee before the competent court within thirty (30) days from the date of being notified thereof or the lapse of the period for decision on the application without reply. The judgment rendered in this regard shall be final.
3. Any Expert whose application has been rejected may submit a new application after no less than six (6) months from the date of rejection of the application for registration.

Article (10) Term of Registration in the Roster

1. The term of registration of the Expert and Expert Firm in Roster shall be three (3) renewable years, provided that the renewal application is submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to its expiration date in accordance with the same conditions of registration for the first time.
2. No new tasks shall be assigned to the Expert or Expert Firm from the expiration date of their respective registration until the renewal thereof.
3. Failure to submit an application for renewal of registration after ninety (90) days from its expiration date shall entail striking off the Roster.

Article (11) Taking Legal Oath

1. No Expert shall perform the Expert Services before taking the legal oath.
2. The Expert shall take the legal oath after being registered in the Roster before a circuit of the Competent Court of Appeal. The legal oath shall be read as follows:
3. **"I swear by Almighty God that I will perform the duties of my profession accurately, honestly and sincerely and in such a manner that preserves its dignity and honor and I will respect the principles and traditions of the profession."** There shall be drawn up an oath record which shall be kept on the file of the Expert with the Competent Department.

Article (12) Practicing the Profession of Experts through a Licensed Expert Firm

The Expert shall practice the Profession of Experts through a licensed Expert Firm in the area of his specialization to perform the Expert Services in accordance with the conditions and controls set by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law, with the exception of the Expert who is a public official.

Article (13) Ceasing to Practice the Profession of Experts

1. The Expert or the Expert Firm, as the case may be, may cease to practice the Profession of Experts if there is an impediment to the practice of the profession, provided that the Competent Department is notified of cessation to practice the profession as determined by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law.
2. The period of cessation to practice the Profession of Experts shall be counted in the term

of registration in the Roster. He may apply for re-practicing the same when such impediment is removed, provided that the conditions of practicing the profession and validity of his registration.

Article (14) Obligations of Experts

Upon practicing the Profession of Experts, the Expert shall abide by the following:

1. Carrying out the Expert Services accurately, honestly and sincerely and in such a manner that preserves its dignity and honor and respecting the principles and traditions of the profession in accordance with the Code of Conduct;
2. Performing the task assigned thereto on his own. The Expert and Expert Firm may seek assistance of any experts working therewith in performing the task assigned thereto, provided that the same is under his responsibility and supervision;
3. Not disclosing the information to which he has access by virtue of his performance of the Expert Services;
4. He or any of his relatives up to the fourth degree shall not have any direct or indirect interest in any work related to the merits of the case in which he provides Expert Services;
5. If the Expert is a public official, the entity he works for shall not be a party to the dispute pending;
6. He shall not accept to provide the Expert Services in a dispute on which he has previously been consulted by a party thereto, even if verbally, or the documents of which has been accessed thereby or on which he has previously issued any Expert's consulting reports upon referring the matter to courts;
7. Improving and developing his skills in the area of specialization for which he is

licensed, with a minimum of thirty (30) training hours every year or according to the training plan approved by the Ministry;

8. His name and registration number and the name of the Expert Firm he works for shall be affixed to all prints, correspondence, certificates and reports signed thereby;
9. Notifying the Ministry of his address and of any change to it and updating his data with the Ministry within one month from the date of such change;
10. Performing all actions related to the Expert Services and responding to the competent judicial authorities if he is called for discussion and clarification on the date scheduled by such authorities;
11. Keeping a special record in which he records the information on the Expert Services he has accomplished; and
12. Keeping a true copy of the report he has prepared for at least five (5) years, commencing from the date of filing the report with the competent court or delivering the same to the party requesting the report.

Article (15) Cases of the Expert's Withdrawal from Performing the Expert Services

The Expert shall withdraw from performing the Expert Services assigned thereto in any of the following cases:

1. If he is a relative or an in-law of any of the litigants up to the fourth degree;
2. If he, his spouse or any of his relatives up to the second degree has outstanding litigation with any disputant unless such litigation arises after the appointment of the Expert with the intent of disqualifying him; or
3. In case of occurrence of any of the cases referred to in Clauses (4), (5) and (6) of Article (14) of the present Decree-Law.

Article (16) Committee of Experts

1. The Competent Judicial Authority may form a committee consisting of more than one Expert to jointly work to express their opinion on a pending dispute or action, provided that the resolution issued by the Competent Judicial Authority specifies the role and responsibilities of each Expert.
2. Experts shall jointly record the results in a final report signed by all of them, unless the resolution provides for otherwise.
3. If one of the Experts has an opinion different from the opinion of another Expert in the Committee of Experts, he may express his own opinion in the final report.

Article (17) Notification of Criminal Actions

All the competent judicial authorities shall notify the Competent Department of the criminal actions instituted against Experts and Expert Firms and the judgments rendered against any of them within a period not exceeding five (5) working days from the date of filing the actions or rendering the judgments, as the case may be, with regard to the performance of the Expert Services or the crimes involving moral turpitude or dishonesty.

Article (18) Procedures for Assessment of the Expert's Work

1. The Competent Department shall prepare an annual performance report to assess the Expert's work in accordance with the criteria and forms determined by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law.
2. The Expert's technical assessment report shall be deposited in his personal file with the Competent Department after serving a copy thereof on the Expert, and no person other

than the Competent Department, the Expert concerned with the report and the Committee shall have access to such report.

3. The Competent Department shall deliver the performance report to the Expert within ten (10) working days from the date of approval of the report by the Competent Department. The Expert may lodge a complaint in writing about the technical assessment report with the Committee within thirty (30) days from the day following the date of being notified of the report.
4. The Committee shall issue its decision on the complaint, whether rejecting the same or amending the result of the technical assessment, within thirty (30) days from the date of lodging the complaint, and the decision issued thereby on the complaint shall be final and may not be appealed before any entity.

Article (19) Effects of the Result of the Assessment

In the event that the Expert's technical assessment result is average or poor, the Committee shall take any of the following actions and measures against the Expert as it deems appropriate, according to the following sequence:

1. Sending a written warning to the Expert to address the causes of his poor performance if he gets such assessment score for the first time;
 2. Obligating the Expert to take specialized training courses and pass the tests determined by the Committee;
 3. Suspending the Expert from providing the Expert Services before the competent judicial authorities for a period not exceeding six (6) months, in the case that he gets such assessment score after receiving a written warning or after being obligated to take specialized training courses and passing the tests determined by the Committee;
- or

4. Striking the Expert off the Roster in the case that he repeatedly gets such assessment score after being suspended from providing the Expert Services.

Article (20) Cases of Striking the Expert or Expert Firm off the Roster

The Expert and Expert Firm shall be struck off the Roster by virtue of a decision issued by the Committee in any of the following cases:

1. As for the Expert:
 - a. If he no longer fulfills any of the conditions of registration;
 - b. If he becomes unable to perform his work due to his health condition, based on a report to be issued by a specialized medical committee;
 - c. If he repeatedly gets an average or poor technical assessment; or
 - d. At a request submitted by him.
2. As for the Expert Firm:
 - a. If it no longer fulfills any of the conditions of registration;
 - b. If it does not renew its registration within the time limit referred to in Article (10) of the present Decree-Law; or
 - c. At a request submitted by the legal representative of the Expert Firm.

Article (21) Establishment and Formation of the Experts' Affairs Committee

1. A committee to be known as the "Experts' Affairs Committee" shall be formed under the present Decree-Law and shall report to the Ministry.
2. The Committee's formation and rules of procedures shall be determined under a resolution issued by the Minister, provided that the number of its members is not less than five (5), in addition to two members selected from the Experts appointed at the

Competent Department. The resolution shall designate the chairman and vice-chairman of the Committee.

Article (22) Competences of the Experts' Affairs Committee

The Committee shall be competent to:

- a. Examine and decide on applications for registration of Experts and Expert Firms in the Roster and applications for canceling the registration and ceasing to practice the Profession of Experts submitted by the Expert or Expert Firm, as the case may be, as determined by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law;
- b. Examine complaints related to the Experts and Expert Firms to decide either to dismiss the complaint or refer the same to the Public Prosecution;
- c. Examine the reports submitted thereto on the Experts and Expert Firms and take the necessary action, as determined by the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law;
- d. Examine complaints lodged by the Expert about the annual performance assessment report; and
- e. Perform any other competences assigned thereto under the present Decree-Law and the resolutions issued hereunder.

Article (23) Referral of Complaints to the Committee

The Competent Department shall notify the Experts or Expert Firms, as the case may be, of any complaint lodged against them in order to respond to it within a period not exceeding fifteen (15) working days from the date of being notified thereof. The complaint, accompanied by the response of the Expert or Expert Firm and the response of the Technical Inspector, shall be referred to the Committee to either decide to dismiss the complaint or

refer the same to the Public Prosecution to institute and initiate the disciplinary action before the Board.

Article (24) Establishment and Formation of the Disciplinary Board

1. There shall be established under the present Decree-Law a board to be known as "the Experts Disciplinary Board" which is competent to discipline Experts and Expert Firms.
2. The Minister shall issue a resolution forming the Board and determining its rules of procedure. The Board shall be headed by a president of the courts of appeal and formed of two members selected from the judges thereof and nominated by the Competent Judicial Authority they work for.

Article (25) Instituting and Investigating into the Disciplinary Action

1. The disciplinary action shall be instituted before the Board by the Public Prosecution, by filing a statement containing the violations and the supporting documents.
2. The Board may conduct the investigations it deems necessary and may assign one of its members to conduct the same.
3. The Board may temporarily suspend the Expert or Expert Firm from performing their work until the conclusion of their trial.

Article (26) Conduct of Trial Proceedings

1. If the Board decides to conduct the trial proceedings for all or some of the violations, it shall order the Expert or the Director of the Expert Firm, as the case may be, to appear before it within at least five (5) working days, based on a decision issued by the chairman of the Board.

2. The order to appear shall contain an adequate description of the subject matter of the action and the prosecution evidence.

Article (27) Hearings of the Board and Appealing its Judgments

1. The Board's hearings shall be held in camera and the Expert or the Director of the Expert Firm, as the case may be, shall appear in person before the Board and may submit his defense in writing or seek the assistance of an attorney.
2. If Expert or the Director of the Expert Firm fails to appear, the judgment may be delivered in absentia after verifying the notification thereof. In such case, The Expert or Expert Firm shall be notified of the decision within ten (10) days from the date of issuance thereof.
3. The Public Prosecution and the Expert or Expert Firm may appeal the judgment delivered by the Board before the Competent Court of Appeal within thirty (30) days from the date of issuing the decision if issued in presence of the Expert, and from the date of notifying the Expert or the Director of the Expert Firm of the decision if issued in absentia.
4. No Expert or Expert Firm shall be prejudiced by appealing the judgment delivered against them by the Board.

Article (28) Judgments Delivered in Disciplinary Actions

The judgment delivered in the disciplinary action shall include the grounds on which it is based, and such grounds shall be read out upon pronouncing the judgment in a hearing held in camera.

Article (29) Disciplinary Penalties

The disciplinary penalties to be imposed on the Expert or Expert Firm shall be as follows:

1. Reprimand and suspending the assignment of cases for a period of three (3) months;
2. Warning and suspending the assignment of cases for a period of six (6) months;
3. Suspension of registration for a period of one (1) year; or
4. Finally striking the Expert or Expert Firm off the Roster.

Article (30) Expert's Fees and Expenses Allowance

1. The Expert and Expert Firm are entitled to receive the fees and expenses allowance estimated by the Competent Judicial Authority or agreed upon by the litigants, as the case may be, after completing the Expert Services required, at the request of the Expert or Expert Firm. They may request to disburse part of the fees at any stage.
2. The Competent Judicial Authority shall take into account, when determining the fees and expenses allowance, the classification of the Expert and Expert Firm, in addition to the following controls related to the assigned task:
 - a. The size and complexity of the assigned task;
 - b. The tasks performed thereby, the time taken to complete the same, and their implementation stages;
 - c. The extent of his commitment to implement the assigned task, and how he covers all its elements;
 - d. The quality of the Expert Services rendered thereby, and the achievement of the goal for which he has been assigned;
 - e. The extent of his adherence to the rules of performing the Expert Services;
 - f. The result of the technical assessment of his performance when accomplishing the assigned task; and
 - g. The expenses verified by the Competent Judicial Authority to have been incurred thereby due to the performance of the necessary and required Expert Services to

accomplish the assigned task, including the cost of preparing the place of meeting with the disputants, the travel expenses incurred for inspection, the fees paid for obtaining any papers, certificates, maps or documents, and the fees paid to any specialists and technicians hired for tasks that fall outside the scope of his specialization.

Article (31) Fees of Experts and Expert Firms in Criminal Actions

The Competent Judicial Authority shall bear the Expert's fees if it decides to seek his assistance in criminal actions unless it decides charge the complainant such fees.

Article (32) Code of Conduct for Experts and Expert Firms

The Minister shall issue the Code of Conduct for Experts and Expert Firms. Any violation of any provision thereof shall entail the imposition of any of the disciplinary penalties set forth in Article (29) of the present Decree-Law.

Article (33) The Penalty for Preventing the Expert from Performing His Work

Any person who hinders the Expert from performing the task assigned thereto shall be punished by a term of imprisonment of not less than three (3) months and not more than one (1) year and/or a fine of not less than (AED 10,000) ten thousand dirhams and not more than (30,000) thirty thousand dirhams.

Article (34) The Penalty for Impersonating an Expert

Any person who impersonates an expert and is not registered in the Roster or has been struck off or suspended and has practiced the Profession of Experts or issued an Expert's

report or a consulting report based on such capacity, in violation of the provisions of the present Decree-Law, shall be punished by a term of imprisonment of not less than one (1) year and/or a fine of not less than (AED 50,000) fifty thousand dirhams and not more than (300,000) three hundred thousand dirhams.

Article (35) The Penalty for the Expert's Breach of His Obligations

Any Expert who breaches any of the obligations referred to in Clauses (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) of Article (14) of the present Decree-Law shall be punished by imprisonment and/or a fine of not less than (AED 50,000) fifty thousand dirhams and not more than (100,000) one hundred thousand dirhams.

Article (36) Imposition of the Severer Penalty

Imposition of the penalties set forth in the present Decree-Law shall not prejudice the imposition of any severer penalty set forth in any other law.

Article (37) Appointment of Experts to Assist Judges

Subject to the provisions of the present Decree-Law, and by virtue of a resolution of the President of the Federal Judiciary or the president of the local judicial authority, each within his respective area of competence, one or more local or international experts may be appointed to assist judges in hearing the actions pending before the court, in accordance with the controls and procedures set by the Civil Procedure Code.

Article (38) Appointment of the Technical Inspector and Determination of

His Tasks

1. The Minister may appoint Experts with knowledge and experience at the Ministry to perform Expert Services in cases of a special nature, audit and technical inspection over the registered Experts' work and follow up on their reports in the actions assigned thereto, in cooperation of the Judicial Inspection Department at the Ministry.
2. The Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law shall set the conditions of appointment of the Experts referred to in Clause (1) of this Article and determine their tasks and powers and the nature of inspection tasks over the Expert Services assigned to them.

Article (39) Capacity of Judicial Officers

Experts appointed in the Competent Department and designated by a resolution of the Minister shall be deemed judicial officers in respect of detecting the violations of the provisions of the present Decree-Law, the Executive Regulations hereof and the resolutions issued hereunder, within their respective areas of competence.

Article (40) Administrative Penalty Regulations

The Cabinet may issue the administrative penalty regulations, upon the proposal of the Minister, for the actions performed in violation of the provisions of the present Decree-Law and the Executive Regulations hereof.

Article (41) Adjustment of Affairs

Experts and Expert Firms shall adjust their affairs in accordance with the provisions of the present Decree-Law, the Executive Regulations hereof and the resolutions issued hereunder

within one (1) year from the date of entry into force of the provisions hereof. Such time limit may be extended for another similar period by virtue of a resolution of the Cabinet.

Article (42) Fees

The Cabinet shall issue, upon the suggestion of the Minister and the proposal of the Minister of Finance, a resolution determining the fees required for implementing the provisions of the present Decree-Law.

Article (43) Executive Regulations

The Cabinet shall issue, upon the proposal of the Minister, the Executive Regulations of the present Decree-Law within six (6) months from the date of publishing in the Official Gazette.

Article (44) Implementing Resolutions

The Minister shall issue the necessary resolutions to implement the provisions of the present Decree-Law.

Article (45) Repeals

1. Federal Law No. (7) of 2012 Regulating the Profession of Experts Before Judicial Authorities is hereby repealed and any provision contradicting or contrary to the provisions of the present Decree-Law is hereby repealed.
2. The executive regulations and resolutions in force upon enacting the present Decree-Law shall remain in force, without prejudice to the provisions hereof, until the

issuance of the executive regulations and resolutions thereof.

Article (46) Publishing and Entry into force of the Decree-Law

The present Decree-Law shall be published in the Official Gazette and shall enter into force as of 2 January 2023.

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