CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PRODUCT LIABILITY

CLIENT ALERT

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DECREE CREATES THE COMMISSION FOR PERMANENT STUDIES OF CONSUMER ACCIDENTS

Decree nº 9,960/2019, which already came into force on the date of its publication, created the Commission for Permanent Studies of Consumer Accidents under the Ministry of Justice and Public Security.

The Commission will **(i)** define strategies and recommend the implementation of mechanisms to restrain the sales of products and rendering of services that are harmful or dangerous to consumers' health, and **(ii)** will monitor and identify consumer accidents in order to promote the adequate treatment of its causes and consequences.

The Commission will be composed of members from seven different organs and entities, such as the National Consumer Secretary under the Ministry of Justice and Public Security, the Brazilian Institute for Consumer Defense, the *ANVISA*, and the *Procons*. The Federal Public Attorney's Office will also be allowed to indicate a representative to participate as an invited member, on a permanent basis, with no right to vote. Specialists and representatives from other organs and entities may also be invited to participate with no voting rights. The meetings will be held semiannually, without prejudice of other extraordinary meetings called by the Commission's president.

The Comission's propositions will be formalized through recommendations, which must be ratified by the National Consumer Secretary under the Ministry of Justice and Public Security, Luciano Timm.

Veirano's Consumer Affairs team is available to clarify any issues or assist in this subject.

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