



LA GLOBAL MAGNITSKI ACT DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS: SANCIONES INTERNACIONALES CONTRA CORRUPCIÓN Y VIOLACIONES GRAVES DE LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS

The international legal scene has been enriched in recent times with a sanctions act, i.e. the Global Magnitski Act (*GMA*), passed by the United States Congress in 2016 and which combines the fight against corruption and against serious violations of human rights. The *GMA* has made a big impression and has already generated a considerable amount of practice and enforcement activities. It has also been the subject of increasing attention outside the US and has even served as a model for foreign legislators. In this paper we make a succinct presentation of this legal instrument. An introductory section reminds the reader of the multiple ways in which the United States addresses the abovementioned problems: corruption and violations of human rights. The following section describes the *GMA* and its contents in a synthetic way, as well as provides a summary of the main milestones of its practical application, up to the present time. In the third section, we provide an assessment of the *GMA*, highlighting both its positive aspects and those that could be open to discussion. Next, we show other similar legal instruments that can be seen as *GMA*'s reflections at the comparative level. The conclusions see the *GMA* in a favorable light, provided it is always considered as a complement and not a substitute for the already existing mechanisms to fight against the abovementioned problems.