



Press Office of the Constitutional Court

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ON TRANSMISSION OF THE FATHER'S SURNAME, THE
CONSTITUTIONAL COURT RAISES A QUESTION AS TO
CONSTITUTIONALITY

The Constitutional Court, meeting in chambers today, examined the question as to constitutionality raised by the Ordinary Court of Bolzano on Article 262(1) of the Civil Code, insofar as it does not allow parents to give only the mother's surname to a child who was born out of wedlock but has been recognised.

Pending filing of the order, the Press Office of the Constitutional Court informs the public that the Court has decided to raise, before itself, a question as to the constitutionality of Article 262(1) of the Civil Code, which states that only the father's surname is to be passed on. The Court considered this question to be preliminary with respect to that raised by the Ordinary Court of Bolzano.

The reasons for the decision will be filed in the coming weeks.

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