

Dear people of Armenia,

5 years ago, when I was assuming the only state position I had ever wanted, I tried to present my expectations and motives to the public in the following lines:

“As a lawyer, I believe that people’s equality before the law is the most important principal. As a practical person, I also know, that this is one of the most hardly implemented norm. As a realist, I have no doubt, that on a way of implementing this mission people more often become targets for criticism, than win admiration. But as an optimist, I believe, that ‘a drop taps the stone”.

Completing this stage of my complicated path, I want to sum up my mission in the same logic.

As an idealist: my idealism was worn during these years but it also helped me at the most difficult times. It is still preserved. It just became more informed and wiser. I have seen immense human kindness during the 5 years of my tenure, especially in people who were in the worst condition.

As a practical person: I know that many today are waiting to hear one thing from me – a short and specific reason for my resignation. In recent days, I have heard both reasonable explanations and some preposterousness. The reason for my resignation is multi-layered and it is difficult to present it in a few words. Anyway, the shortest and the main reason is the following: if I stayed in office in 2016, this most important institution would no longer be efficient, as it became as a result of many years of hard work and suffering. I imagine that evil-tongued people will start criticizing our work of the past years with greater fury than ever. At the same time I hope that this people will try to earn their daily bread by other means.

As a lawyer: I expect that all laws that will be adopted in 2016 as a result of the amended Constitution will be truly human-centered and will solve all those issues related to human rights that were left unregulated by the present Constitution.

As an optimist: I hope that my children will grow up in Armenia where equality before the law will become an unquestionable reality and there will not be a single shot by the enemy when my sons do their military service.

Finally, I apologize to all those, whose expectations I failed because of objective or subjective reasons. I thank the many people, who helped me undertake and then carry out this great mission of helping people, as well as those who have passed with me all tests and ordeals in the past five years.

Best regards,
Karen Andreasyan

P.S. I am going to tender a second resignation today.