

NEWS FROM THE COURTS April 2014:**PRESS / NEWS:**

During this period different news articles have been published related with the activity of our Judges and Courts with regards to Animal Law:

- [Animal abuse presumed in the *Quintos* festival in Guadalix de la Sierra \(Madrid\)](#)
- [Woman judged on the presumption of animal abuse for throwing several dogs from a balcony causing their death](#)
- [Man reported on the presumption of animal abuse for beating his dog with force in the beach of El Torreón \(Mijas – Málaga\)](#)
- [Two men charged for animal abuse after six dead dogs were found on a canine residence](#)
- [Man judged for a presumed crime of animal abuse for shooting cats on his street](#)
- [For the first time a person could go to prison for animal abuse](#)
- [Complaint lodged against the Toro Jubilo of Medinaceli \(Soria\)](#)
- [The cases of actions against brown bears continue](#)
- [The Provincial Audience reopens the case against the city councilor accused of killing a dog](#)
- [Case of two mares with their legs tied reported to the Public Prosecutor](#)
- [Man charged for the crime of animal abuse after shooting a cat with a shotgun](#)
- [Administrative report for starving a horse to death](#)
- [Appeal against the wolf drives in Asturias dismissed](#)
- [The Supreme Court of Massachusetts declares it legal for Police to enter a private property without authorization to rescue animals](#)
- [The challenge against the Law of Fauna lodged by the association of circus owners of Mexico dismissed](#)
- [Three months in prison for throwing a dog through a window](#)
- [Man absolved after being accused of hanging a dog](#)
- [Woman to be tried for throwing two dogs and a cat from the third floor](#)

JURISPRUDENCE:

Below we offer a list of the sentences given in the Supreme Court and the legal bodies of the different Autonomous Communities during the period of reference, in chronological order and with a brief reference to their contents:

SUPREME COURT

- [Supreme Court Sentence 196/2014, dated 2 April 2014 \(Roj: STS 1230/2014\)](#)
Civil area. Extra-contractual civil liability.

PROVINCIAL AUDIENCES (AP) AND SUPERIOR COURTS OF JUSTICE (TSJ):

We include the sentences and decrees given by the different Provincial Audiencias during the month of April 2014 which are published in the CENDOJ [Center for Legal Documentation] as of the date of publication of this bulletin.

- **Andalucía:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Aragón:**

- [Sentence AP Teruel 22/2014, dated 1 April 2014 \(SAP TE 47/2014\)](#)
Civil area. Extra-contractual liability while driving.

- **Cantabria:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Castilla-La Mancha:**

- [Sentence AP Guadalajara 26/2014, dated 1 April 2014 \(SAP GU 139/2014\)](#)
Criminal area. Misdemeanor art. 621.3 Criminal Code; undue injuries.

- **Castilla-León:**

- [Sentence AP León 195/2014, dated 1 April 2014 \(SAP LE 312/2014\)](#)
Criminal area. Robbery of birds.

- [Sentence AP Palencia 54/2014, dated 7 April 2014 \(SAP P 118/2014\)](#)
Civil area. Extra-contractual liability while driving.

- **Catalonia:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Valencian Community:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Basque Country:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Extremadura:**

- [Sentence AP Cáceres 92/2014, dated 2 April 2014 \(SAP CC 232/2014\)](#)

Civil area. Contractual liability, feeding and transportation of animals.

- **Galicia:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Balearic Islands:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Canary Islands:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **La Rioja:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Navarra:**

No sentences or decrees published.

- **Principality of Asturias:**

- [Sentence TSJ Asturias 310/2014, dated 14 April 2014 \(STSJ AS 1201/2014\)](#)

Litigative area. Hunting without license.

- [Sentence TSJ Asturias 309/2014, dated 14 April 2014 \(STSJ AS 1206/2014\)](#)

Litigation area. Hunting without license.

- [Sentence TSJ Asturias 323/2014, dated 14 April 2014 \(STSJ AS 1230/2014\)](#)

Litigation area. Hunting without license.

- **Ceuta and Melilla:**

No sentences or decrees published.

INTERNATIONAL COMMENTED SENTENCE:

[Commentary](#) on the [Prohibition of the use of animals in circuses in Mexico](#). Summary of the agreement to resolve the Decrees suspending the Indirect Constitutional Claim promoted by the *Unión Nacional de Empresarios y Artistas de Circos Mexicanos* [National Union of Circus Owners and Artists] against the State Fauna Law of the State of Morelos, prohibiting animals in circuses; written by Elisabeth Montero Romero¹.

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