



# JOURNALISM BETWEEN SAFETY AND IMPUNITY



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# GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR JOURNALISTS' SAFETY

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## **PUBLIC AUTHORITIES**

- **Defense**
- **Guarantees of compensation**
- **Criminal consequence**
- **Education and training for journalists**
- **Public recognition**

## **CIVIL SOCIETY**

- **Defense**
- **Involvement**
- **Public control**
- **Public reaction**
- **Education and training for journalists**
- **Public recognition**

## **INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY**

- **Monitoring**
- **Evaluation**
- **Setting of universal standards**
- **Concordance of wills of subjects of International law**
- **International assistance**

## COMPONENTS OF JOURNALISTS' SAFETY

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Physical safety

Legal safety

Information safety

Economic safety

Psychological safety

## SUBJECTS TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' SAFETY

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Public Authorities

Civil Society

Media-Business

Journalists' Community

Journalist

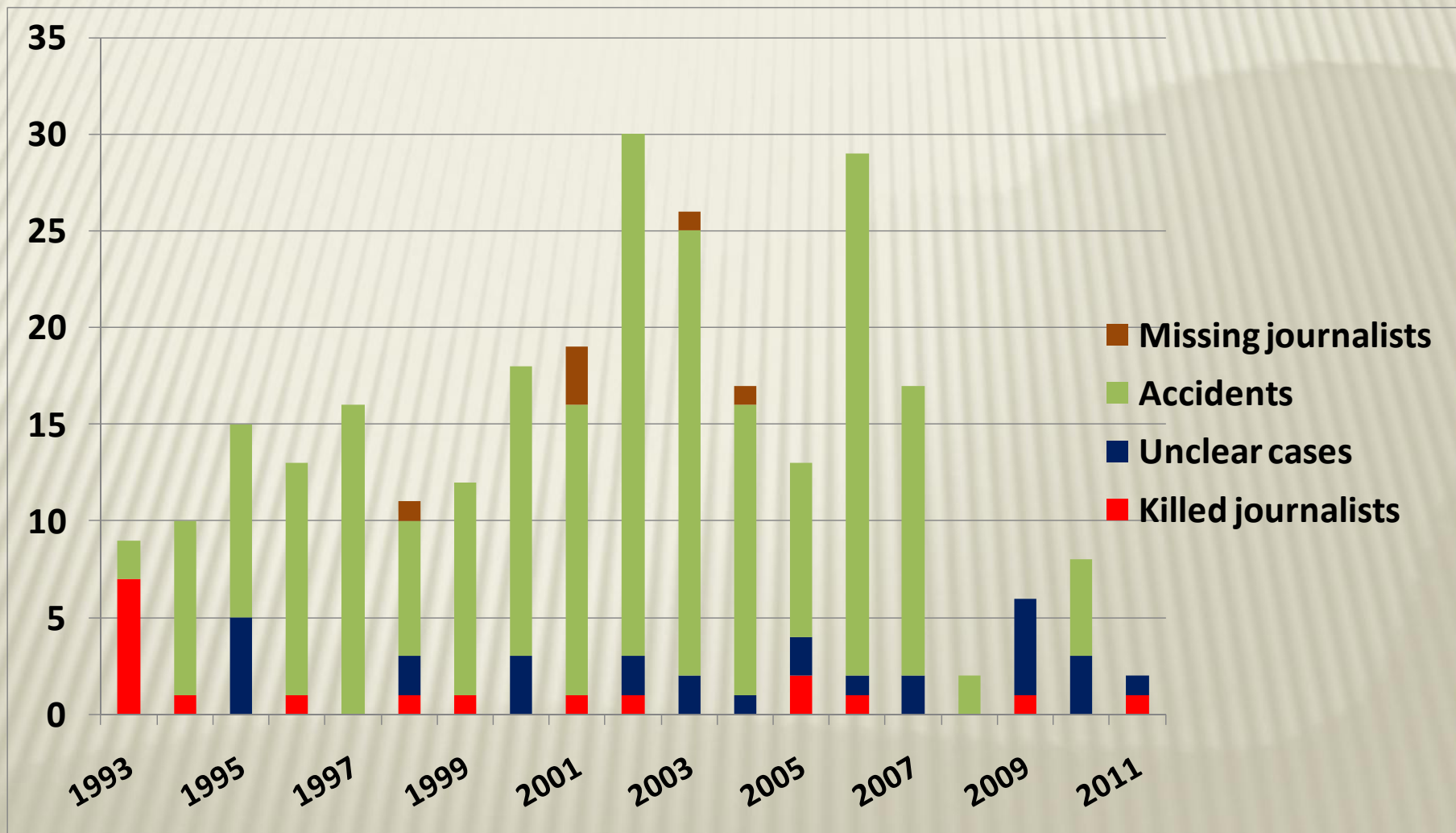
## PHYSICAL SAFETY OF JOURNALISTS

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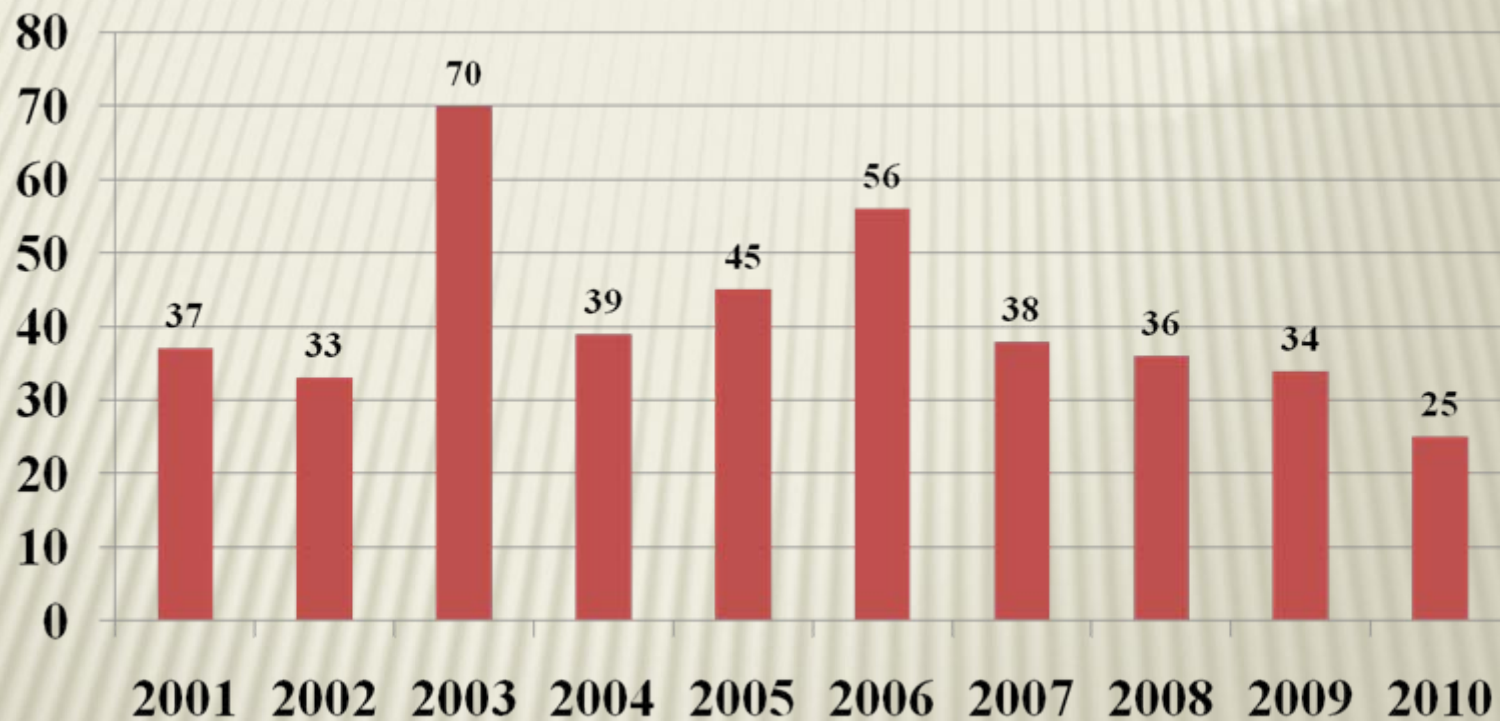
**Anna Politkovskaya was killed in Moscow on October 7, 2006**

# MURDERED JOURNALISTS



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# ATTACKS ON JOURNALISTS



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# STATE RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' PHYSICAL SAFETY

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Criminal responsibility for obstruction of journalists' activity (article 144 Penal Code of RF)

Law enforcement practice

State insurance for journalists

Security for journalists in "hot spots"

Protection of journalists as witness



# CIVIL SOCIETY RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' PHYSICAL SAFETY

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Public control of observance of journalists' work conditions (public councils etc.)

Public evaluation of judicial activity

Public impact on legislative process

Public consensus on the role of journalists and Media in modern society

## MEDIA-BUSINESS RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' PHYSICAL SAFETY

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Additional journalists' insurance

Training for journalists

Security for journalists in dangerous missions

Provision with personal protection equipment to journalists

Supplying full information on risk of danger

Mechanisms of continuous support for a reporter before, during and after the assignment

# JOURNALISTS' COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' PHYSICAL SAFETY

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Monitoring

Alarm activity

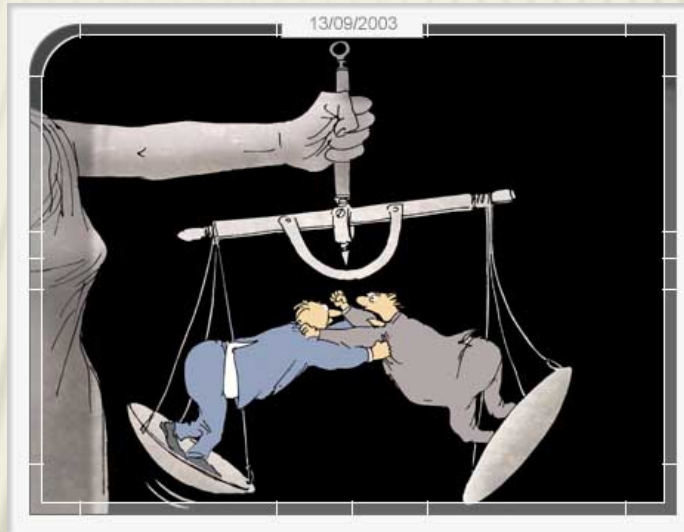
Professional solidarity (information support, fundraising etc.)

Projects activity

Exchange of experience and information on risk danger

# LEGAL SAFETY OF JOURNALISTS

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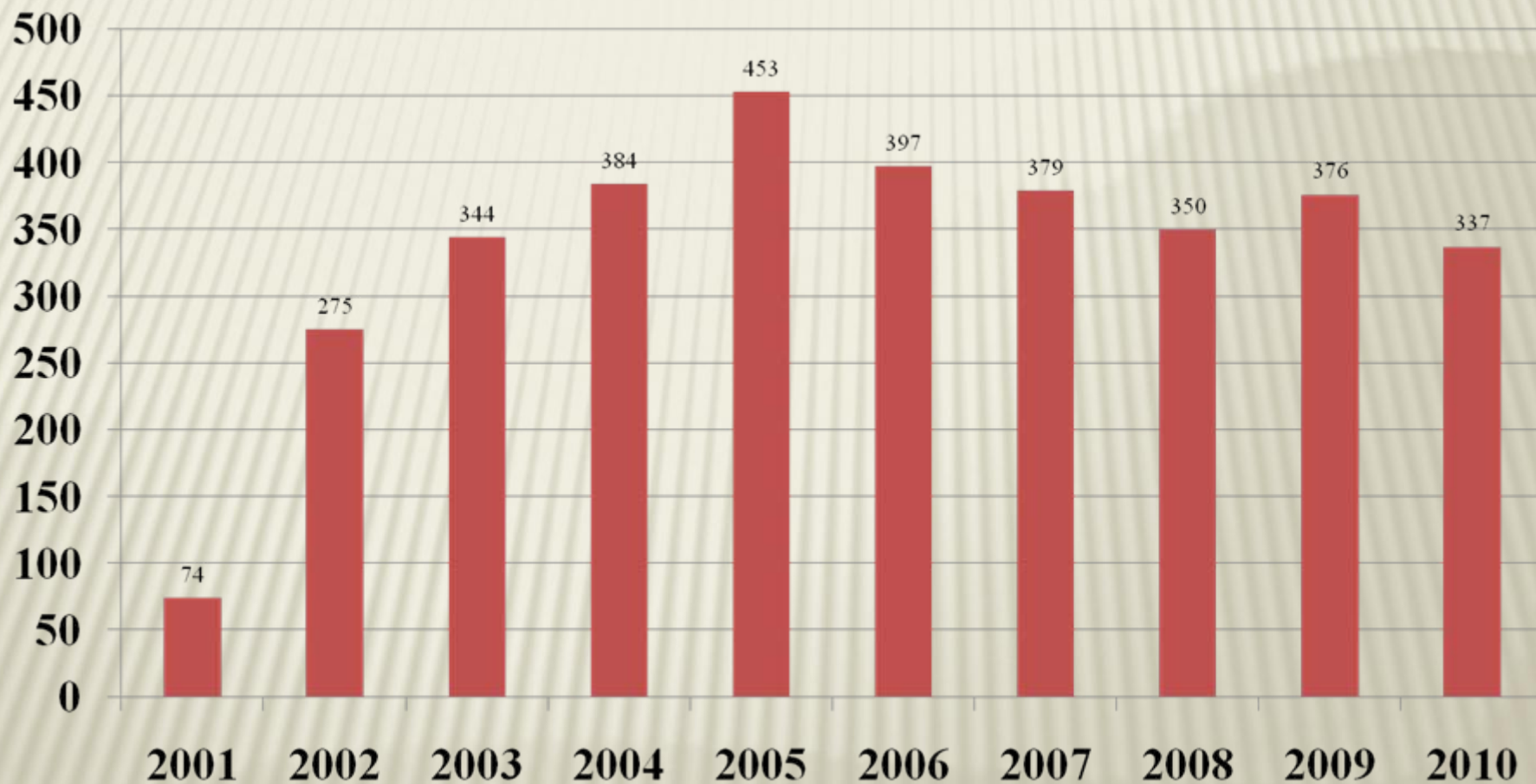


# DETENTIONS AND ARRESTS OF JOURNALISTS



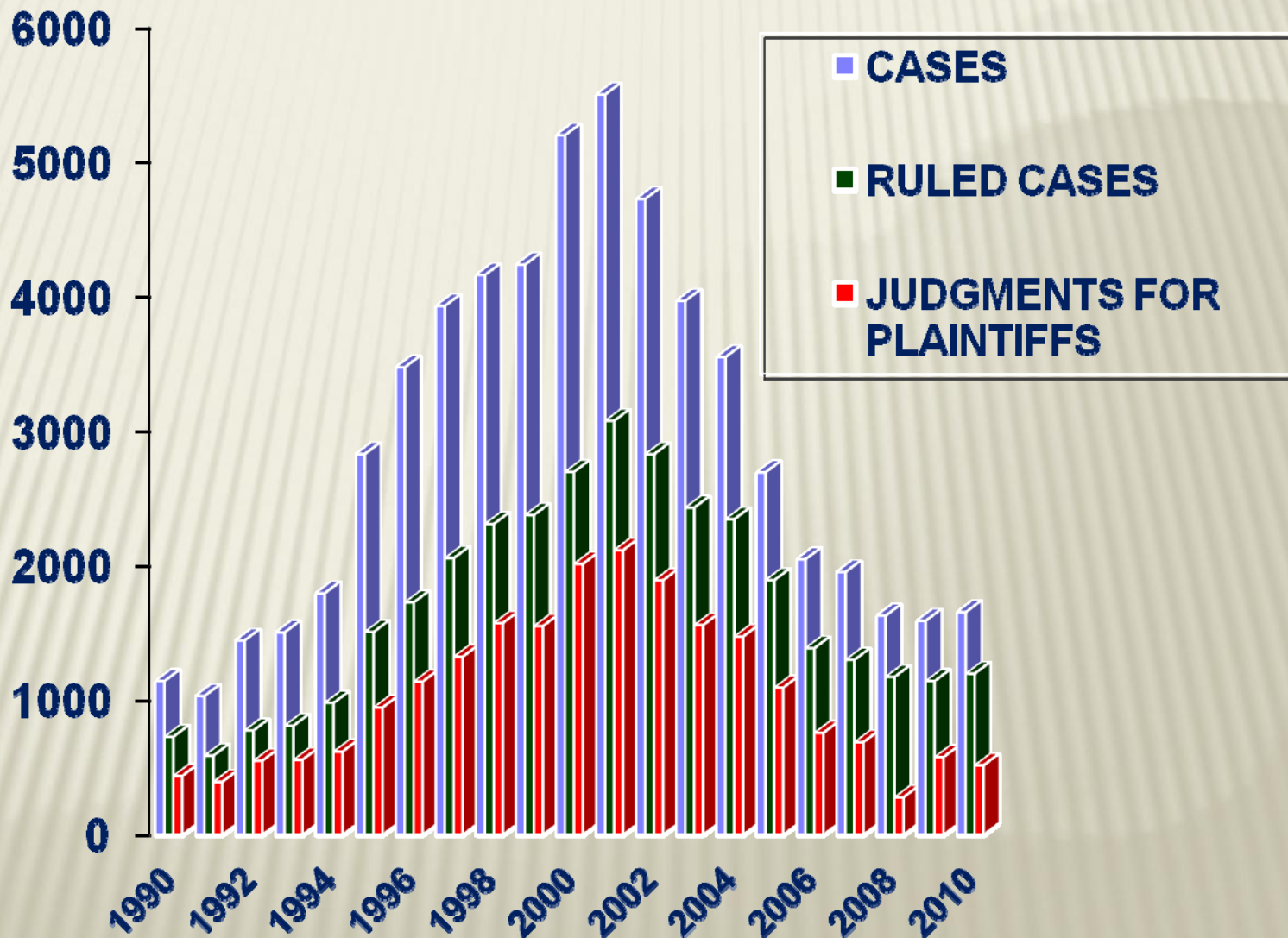
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# LEGAL PROSECUTION OF JOURNALISTS

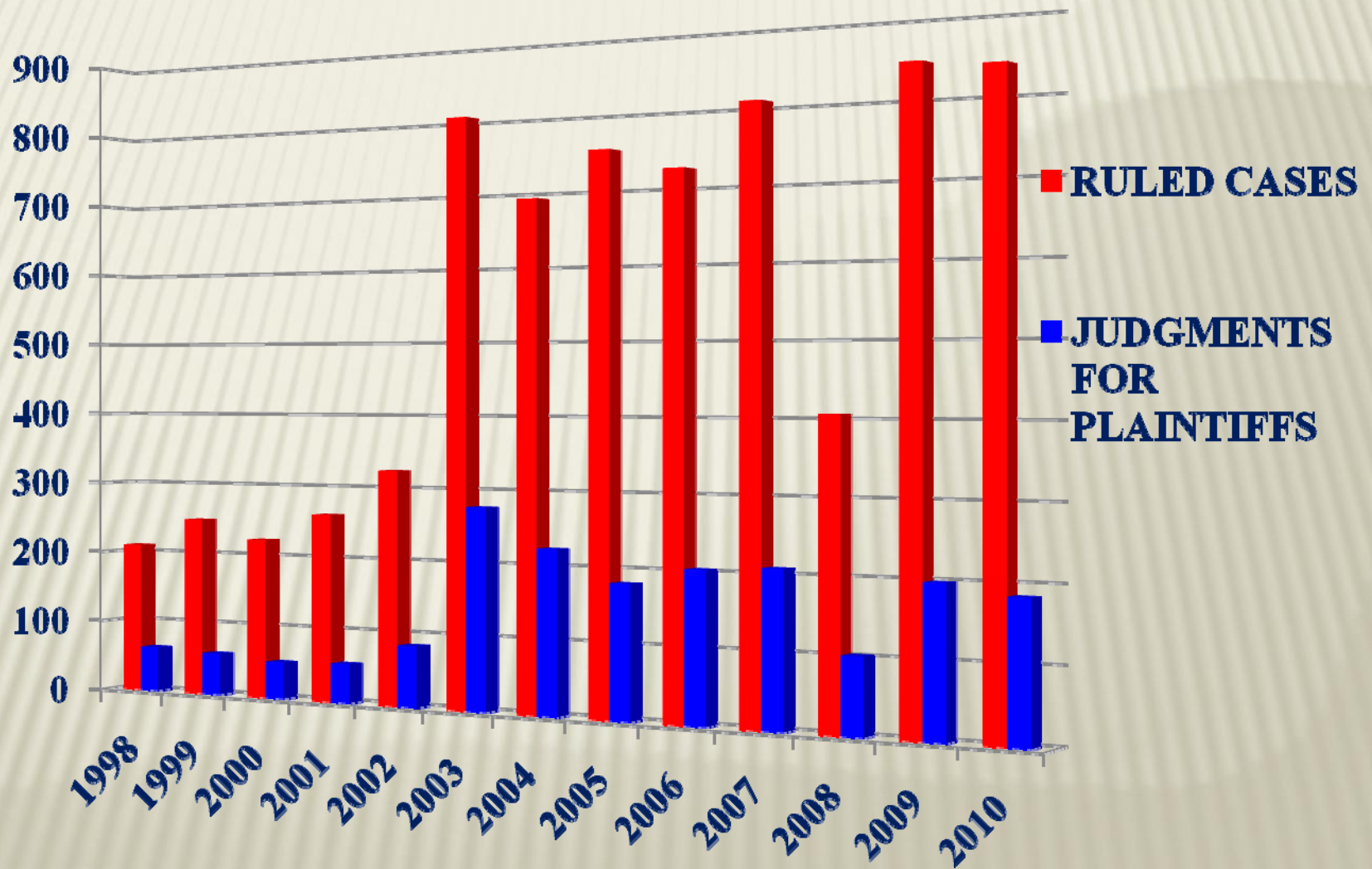


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# DEFAMATION CASES (COURTS OF GENERAL JURISDICTION)

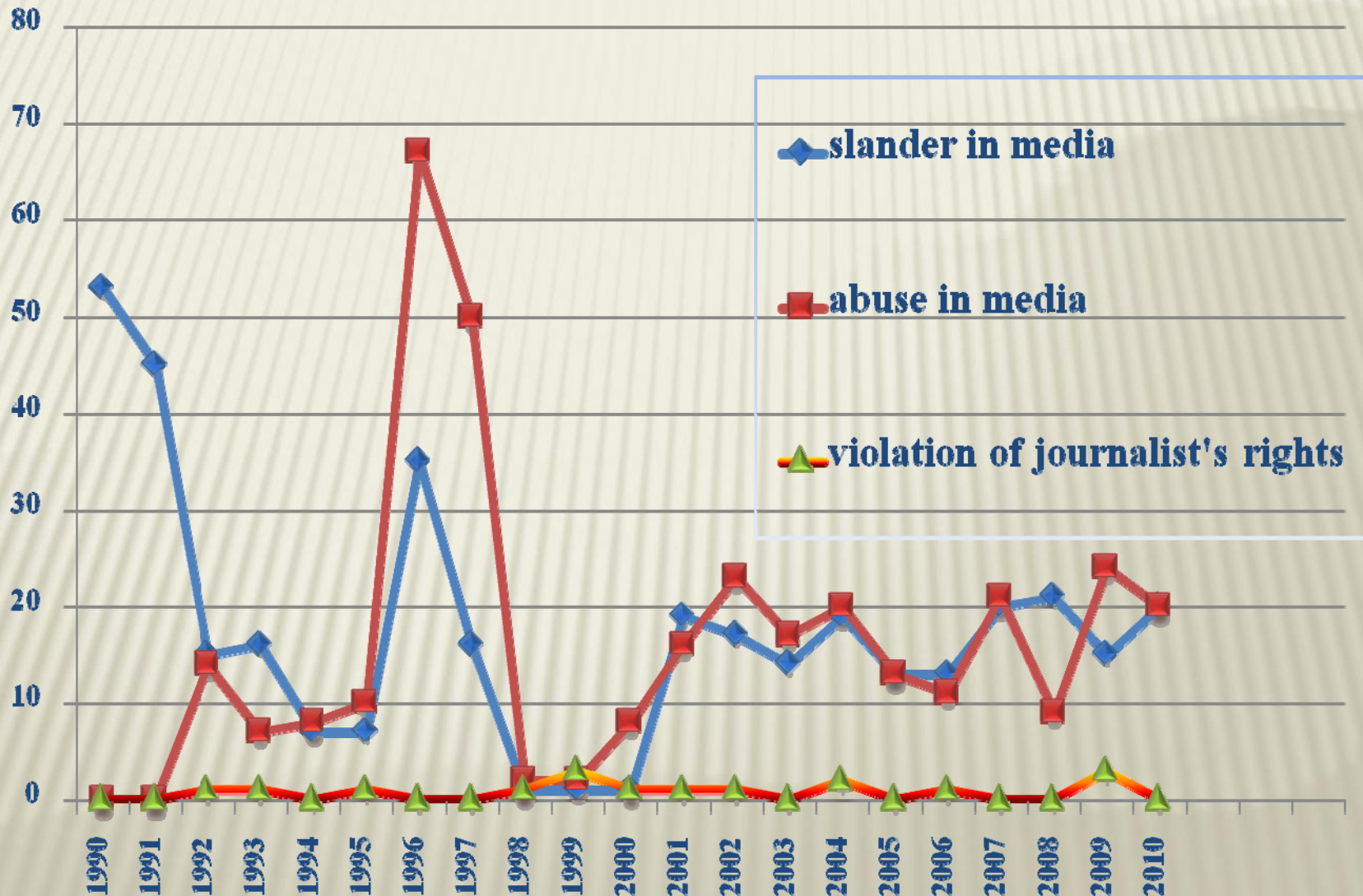


# DEFAMATION CASES (ARBITRAGE)





# JOURNALISTS & CRIMINAL CODE



## STATE RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' LEGAL SAFETY

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Legal protection of journalist as a defender of public interests

Legislative support of journalists' professional rights

Legislative measures for journalists' professional privilege (responsibility restriction)

Judicial practice oriented on legal statement of ECHR (Plenum of the Supreme Court of RF June 15, 2010)

# CIVIL SOCIETY RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' LEGAL SAFETY

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Legal training for journalists

Trust building between journalists' and judges' communities

Public control of observance of journalists' rights

Public consensus on the role of journalists and Media in modern society

# MEDIA-BUSINESS RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' LEGAL SAFETY

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Legal support of journalists' activity

Observance of social, including labor, rights of journalists

Prohibition of illegal editorial missions for journalists

Legal trainings for journalists

## JOURNALISTS' COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' LEGAL SAFETY

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Promotion of legal issues to protect journalists' rights

Drafting of Media legislation

Monitoring of violations of journalists' rights

Legal support of journalists in labor and other conflicts

Legal trainings for journalists

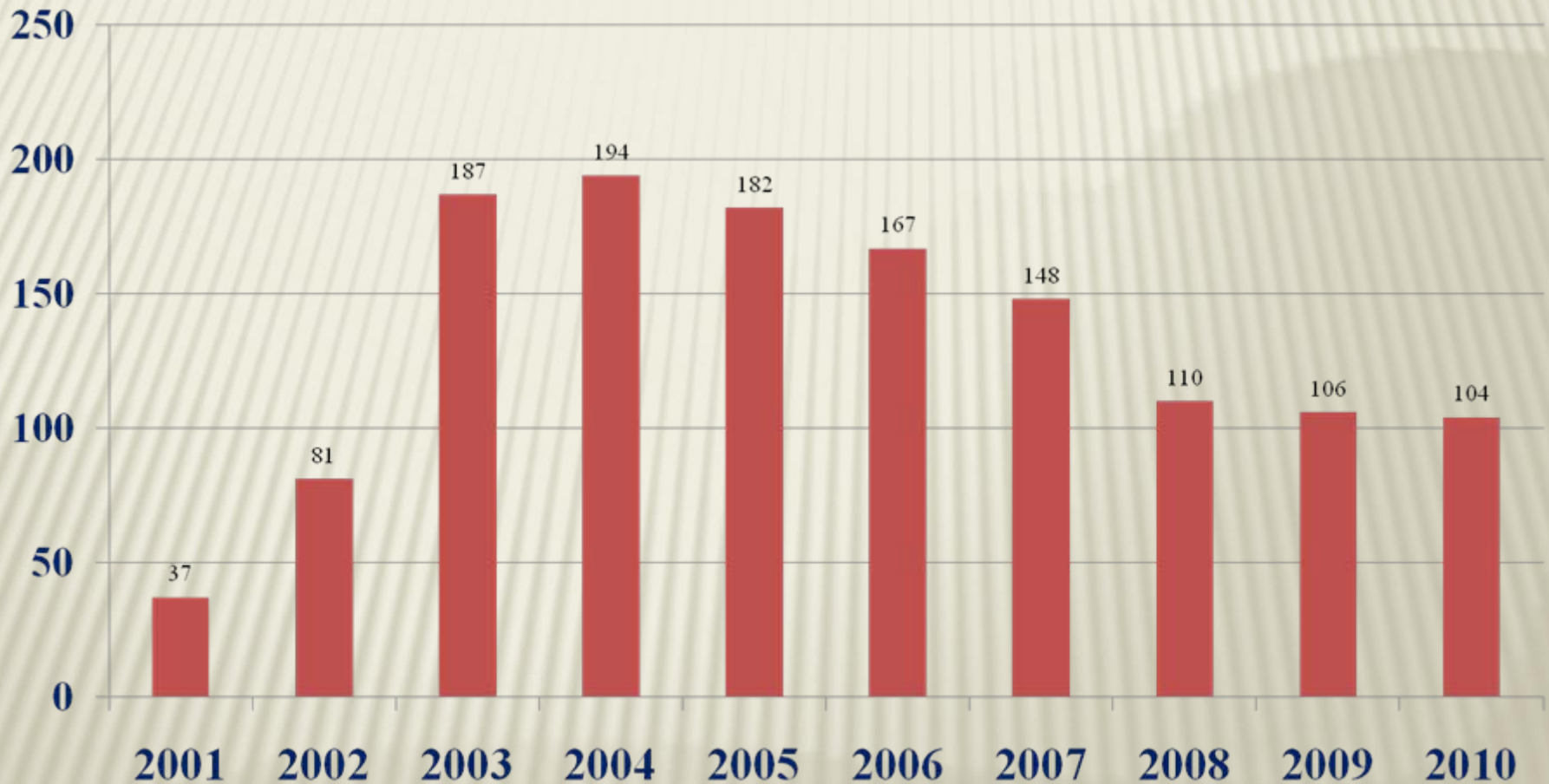
Peer support and sharing best practices

# JOURNALISTS' INFORMATION SAFETY

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# RESTRICTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION



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# STATE RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' INFORMATION SAFETY

Censorship ban

Protection of editorial and journalist independence

Ensuring of access to information on court and other state bodies activities

Responsibility for illegal refuse of access to information

Responsibility for supplying inadequate information to journalist

Obstructions to information dissemination / delivery



# CIVIL SOCIETY RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' INFORMATION SAFETY

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Public support of Glasnost'

Public support of journalists' efforts for information on corruption and other abuses disclosure

Public consensus on inadmissibility of freedom of information restriction

Public consensus on the role of journalists and Media in modern society

# MEDIA-BUSINESS RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' INFORMATION SAFETY

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Protection of editorial and journalists' independence

Protection of journalists' rights in Media corporations

Self-restriction of owners rights according to editorial charter

Supplying full information to journalist on risk of danger

Guarantee of non-disclosure of journalists' information sources

Psychological support of journalist activity in field

Prevention of emotional burnout of journalists

Journalists rehabilitation coming back from 'hot spots'

# JOURNALISTS' COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO GUARANTEE JOURNALISTS' INFORMATION SAFETY

Protection of journalists' rights of access to information and non-disclosure of information sources

Training for journalists

Professional solidarity actions

Ethical Code and Self-regulation system

Exchange of information on risk of danger

Psychological support issues

# CONCLUSIONS: GENERAL GUARANTEES OF JOURNALISTS' SAFETY

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Public consensus

High professional  
level of  
journalism

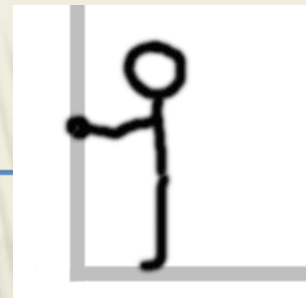
Legal base

Law enforcement  
practice

Self-regulation

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