

## ABSTRACT

It is unfortunate, that a business going through a legal case. Legal cases are initiated against business entities due to inappropriate or mismanagement in the business activities. It is important, that a business institute going through legal process should get the compensation, immediately without any delays. When law enforced to business organizations, it is difficult to continue the business activities, effectively. Since the law cases are being delayed to resolve, the business institutes going through the financial difficulties. In order to eliminate these kind of unfortunate situations in business entities, it's important to identify and know why there is a delays in commercial cases, what are the reasons for those delays and how can these delays can be prevented or overcome. To address these issues, in this study 103 commercial cases pending in the district courts of Ampara district were analyzed carefully. It was found the average law delay in the analyzed cases was surprising a higher value of 54.7 months. The involvement of institute in the legal cases significantly delays the case at least by 38.8 months. No relationship was found between the monetary value of the case and the duration of delay. It was revealed that inefficient lawyers, issuing delay in summons, failing to submit relevant documents to the courts, non-availability of new technologies, unnecessary postponements of hearings, lack of strict law to expedite the case to a conclusion and ignorance of the affected parties are the main and very frequent reasons for the law delays. Lack of judges to the courts, following old law procedures, threatening to witness, lack of strict law to expedite the cases, failing to provide translated documents to the court and leave for judge are causing more duration of delays in the cases. Based on the facts few solutions are recommended to avoid such delays.