



## KĀRLIS DUCMANIS

(Born in 1881, Branti parish; died in 1943, Kirov)

**Senator of the Administrative Department of the Senate (1936–1937),  
Chair of the Office of Senate's Rulings (1938–1940)**

**Education:** Petersburg Institute of Technology; Petersburg University, Faculty of Law.

**Before the Senate:** Contributor to Latvian newspapers in Petersburg; Assistant lawyer in Riga; Officer in the Russian Army; Employee of the Latvian Refugee Committee in Vitebsk; elected to Vitebsk City Council; Member of the editorial board of several newspapers; Judge of the Riga Regional Court; Worked in the Latvian diplomatic service; Representative of the Interim Government in Denmark, Secretary and Interim Head of the Embassy; Consul General in Stockholm and Temporary Plenipotentiary of the Embassy in Sweden; Permanent Delegate of Latvia to the League of Nations in Geneva; Latvian Ambassador to Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia; International Plebiscite Judge in Saarland; Member of the International Diplomatic Academy (Paris).

**After the Senate:** Arrested in 1941 and taken to Vyatka prison camps.

**Additional information:** Legal Adviser of the Riga Latvian Society. Wrote about 20 books on law, politics, philosophy and literary issues, many published in the press. Author of the introductory part to the 1937 Civil Law. Chair of the Legal Section of the Latvian Chamber of Professions, the Latvian Lawyers Association and the Latvian-Danish Association.

When a patient refuses to take medicine and suffers or dies from it, the doctor is not to blame, although those upset people who remain often blame the doctor. If the citizens do not fulfil their duty and the country can no longer function, then it cannot be said that, if such country is abolished, everything would be fine or even better again.

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