

## **Abstract**

This diploma thesis deals with the Pylyp Orlyk's Constitution from the year 1710. The aim of this thesis is to analyse this constitutional document within its historical context. The thesis is divided into six parts. The first one is concerned with separation of powers and contract theory. The thesis investigates ideas of the main philosophers connected to those theories. The second part deals with the Ukrainian history before the year 1710 so that the thesis can deliver context of Pylyp Orlyk's Constitution. The third part looks into the life of Pylyp Orlyk himself. It analysis his career, ideas and his way towards leadership. The next part deals with the Pylyp Orlyk's Constitution itself, mainly its origin, authors, and context. It also describes articles of this constitution. The fifth part of this thesis compares Pylyp Orlyk's Constitution with the Venetian state and The Constitution of 3 May 1791, which was a polish constitution. The last part of this thesis summarizes the influence of Pylyp Orlyk's Constitution for the legal development on Ukrainian territory.