

# **Continuing Offense in Recent Case Law**

## **Abstract**

The diploma thesis focuses on the institute of continuity in a criminal offense, defining its concept according to current legal regulations in the introductory chapters. It subsequently revisits its interpretation in older textbooks on criminal law and its development in the Czech lands during the 20th century. Utilizing case law, it presents the individual characteristics of continuity in a criminal offense and describes its purpose and consequences. The central part of the diploma thesis is devoted to recent case law defining continuous conduct and comparing it with the institute of continuity in a criminal offense. The work also includes an analysis of certain problematic aspects of continuous conduct, which the author perceives in relation to the very principles of criminal law and the apparent competition between both forms of committing a criminal offense. In conclusion, the author presents a proposal *de lege ferenda*.