

Abstract

The thesis deals with witness in criminal proceedings. The thesis defines witness as a person, it states witness's rights and duties, the most important duty is witness general duty, recognition, confrontation, investigative experiment and reconstruction. The thesis concisely deals with interrogation of the witness and with special interrogation situations as a interrogation person under age of fifteen, person who is old, sick or dying. In thesis, there is mentioned the institute of material witness and with the institute of cooperating accused. The thesis also focus on protection of witness, from point of view the Criminal Procedure Code and special Act. no. 137/2001. In thesis, there is also briefly delineates analysis of legal status of witness in Slovakia, with focusing on protection of witness and on institute of material witness. The thesis tries to comprehensive focusing on the status of witness. The thesis contains seven chapters.