Summary

The aim of this thesis is to specify certain legal relationship arising between attorney and his client. This legal relationship characterises, to certain extent, role of attorney in the legal system of the Czech Republic and that is why it deserves attention.

The main legal source for this thesis is Act No. 85/1996 Coll., on the Legal Profession, as subsequently amended. This act is interpreted in following chapters in coherence with other acts, subordinate legislation and professional rules.

After brief introduction into the issue I focus on particular causes of the formation of attorney-client legal relationship. The origin itself is determining for specification of mutual rights of both subjects. Besides talking about the formation, I will also mention the rejection and termination of the legal relationship.

The next chapter deals with the ethics in advocacy, which we should keep in mind while interpreting particular rights and obligations. Ethics is characteristic sign of attorney's profession.

Chapters 5 and 6 are the actual core of this thesis, when interpreting individual rights, that constitute the actual attorney-client legal relationship. I systematically divided those rights and obligations according to the subject, which has the duty to ensure those obligations.

In Chapter 5 I focus on obligations of the attorney. These obligations are special for modifying the general obligations of mandate contract via Act on the Legal Profession, which is being applied as lex specialis. The fundamental obligations of attorney are protecting client's interests, confidentiality and keeping client informed. Those obligations are thoroughly analysed.

Against these obligations, there are attorney's rights, which I clarify in Chapter 6. There is attorney's right to get a remuneration, compensation of expenses and
the compensation of missed time. The rest of rights and obligations is analysed throughout the thesis.

The Chapter 7 is focusing on the termination of the legal relationship. There are the most frequent reasons laid out, followed by reference to rights and obligations of the attorney after the termination of relationship with his client.

At the very end of the thesis I briefly deal with the issue of responsibility for provided legal services.