

## **Abstract**

This thesis deals with the fideicommissary substitution that has made a reappearance in the civil law of the Czech Republic after fifty years. This change came into effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2014, along with a newly effective and modernized Civil Code. The purpose of this thesis is to analyze the reasons for the reintroduction of the fideicommissary substitution into the Czech inheritance law. The thesis is divided into three main sections. The first section focuses on the definition of the fideicommissary substitution. The fideicommissary substitution is also compared to other similar institutions of the Czech inheritance law. The second section focuses on the origins of the fideicommissum in Roman law and its alterations throughout the history, with the emphasis on its adaptations in the Civil Codes effective on the territory of the current Czech Republic. The last section focuses on comparing the institution of the fideicommissary substitution to similar institutions in France, Germany, Spain and Scotland in order to demonstrate the differences and similarities among them.