

License Agreement in copyright - abstract

Copyright according to Czech laws is based on dualistic conception that means we distinguish moral rights from property rights of authorship. In the Czech Republic only the property rights are transferable and can be a subject of license agreement. The thesis is dedicated to description of license agreement according to current legislation with regards to modern trends related to internet network.

First chapter describes briefly current legislation related to copyright and license agreements concerning domestic laws, international treaties and rules of European law. Second chapter is focused on division of licenses in general and afterwards deals with attributes of the license agreement. The short notice is made about protection of the author as a weaker contracting party.

The most important part of the thesis is contained in the third chapter of the thesis. It explains requirements of the license agreement demanded by Act. No. 121/2000 Sb., the copyright act, and focus on the other arrangements which may the license agreement contain, i.e. security, option right. Last but not least the space is dedicated to reward for author and to description of public offer of the license agreement and its unaddressed acceptance.

Chapters 4 and 5 focus briefly on publishers license agreement and collective and multiple license agreements which are one of the typical for collective administration of property rights of the authors. Disposition with a license and ways of termination of the license agreement are subject to Chapters No. 6 and 7.

Final chapter deals with specific agreements which may contain license like contract for work is. It mentions shortly a modern trend of sharing author's work on the internet – the Creative Commons license. Furthermore it contains specialties of license agreements whose subject is computer software or motion picture.