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Abstract of the doctoral thesis titled:

"Water-legal permit as an instrument of management of water resources"

The presented doctoral thesis concerns the matter of the role and legal character of a water-law permit as an instrument of water resources management. The first point was to discuss the importance of this institution in the introduction and implementation of water management assumptions, in order to provide satisfaction of the needs of the population and the economy concerning water, and providing the protection of waters and the environment related with water resources. The present doctoral dissertation consists of eight chapters that includes both: substantive law aspects of the water-law permit as an instrument of water management, as well as formal issues related to the process of issuing a water-law permit and its implementation. The doctoral thesis is also dedicated to the role of a water-law permit in the process of implementation of the environmental protection which is a task of public administration.

It should be emphasized that the current law - Water law, in comparison with previous acts regulating this matter, more comprehensively and transparently regulates particular issues pertaining to the institution of water law permits.

Firstly, the legislator decided to implement a closed list of projects requiring obtaining a water law permit. Secondly, the legislator has regulated the ownership of water devices. Thirdly, the current construction of "water administration" seems clearer than former regulation of this issue. Currently, water-law permits are issued by the public authorities forming the State Water Management - Polish Waters. Fourthly, the

new law has created a possibility to extend the validity of a water law permit for the next period, and that institution was unknown in the previous legal regulations of water law.

Fifth, the legislator has identified what may be evidence in the proceedings for the granting of a water-law permit. Sixthly, the current law explicitly sets the date from which the validity of the water-law permit begins. The presented enumeration shows that there has been a significant development of the discussed institution.

The aim of the doctoral thesis is to analyze the legal provisions regulating the institution of water-law permit as an instrument of management of water resources and answer the question whether the current model of this institution works properly taking into account the practice. It should be emphasized that the legal institution of a water law permit has evolved over the years. Despite the scale and size of the Water Law Act that is in force, and that this new act is regulating and clarifying a number of issues relating to this matter, the legal regulations regarding the water law permit as a water management instrument are constantly insufficient. A number of legislative changes are still necessary to bring these regulations at an optimum model of legal solutions dedicated to this institution.