THE MEANING OF THE PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR LEGISLATIVE TEXTS IN CANON LAW APPLICATION

**SUMMARY** 

Ecclesiastical law interpretation has significant meaning in law application. The most

important function of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts is an authentic

interpretation.

The Author explains what the interpretation and authentic interpretation is. According

to the can. 16 § 1, the legislator authentically interprets laws as does the one to whom the

same legislator has entrusted this power. The Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts is

competent to public authentic interpretations confirmed by pontifical authority.

Activity of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts means how dynamic canon law

is. On the other side, this Pontifical Council activity is indispensable due to the technological

progression.

**Key words**: Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts, canon law, authentic interpretation