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## **REALIZATION OF THE ADVOCATE PROFESSION BY WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: HISTORY AND PRESENT DAYS**

The article discusses the problems of implementation of the advocate profession by women in the United States of America. Author explores historical retrospective of American women struggle for their participation in the legal profession. Attention is drawn to the fact that in the United States of America women acquired the right to seek legal practice in each state separately. The first state in America in which a woman became a lawyer was Iowa (1869). Attention is given to the first women lawyers in the United States of America, their professional paths in advocacy. The article emphasizes that the first female lawyers in the United States of America were Arabella Mansfield, Ada Kepley. First female African-American lawyer was Charlotta Rey. The first woman, who acted as a lawyer in the Supreme Court of the United States, became Belva Ann Lockwood. The first deaf-mute woman to become a lawyer was Claudia L. Gordon.

The current state of the feminization of the legal profession in American society is explored. Attention is drawn to the fact that the United States of America is

the home of the "female advocacy" with yearly increase of the number of women lawyers. In 1950, there were 3.5% of women lawyers, while in 2013 they consisted 34% of lawyers. Outstanding contemporary American women lawyers: Gloriya Allred, Lisa Blatt, etc. are recalled in the article. The article highlights the challenges faced by American women lawyers, in particular, difficulties considering the promotion. The reason is not their work itself, but the fact that the family circumstances often lead to the fact that a woman chooses a less ambitious career, rather than, for example, performances as a lawyer in the Supreme Court of the United States. The article also considers proposals of women lawyers of the United States of America on ways to improve their professional career. In particular, it is proposed to introduce a positive experience of the famous lawyer campaigns for United States of America lawyers who are mothers to increase holiday childcare, provide flexible working hours for mothers-lawyers, and conduct special courses devoted to the art of combining family and career.

