

## INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY PROTECTION FOR FURNITURE AND REAL ESTATE IN BRAZIL

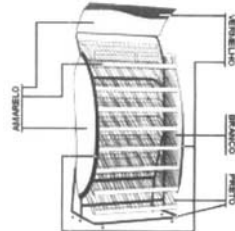
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Furniture in Brazil usually may be protected by patents or industrial design, depending on the degree of inventivity, utility (if the product is more or useful or dissociated from technical effects). There have been some attempts to register as three dimensional mark some kinds of furniture, but until now they were all rejected for having considered that they either were common or had a technical effect.

**Chair for Children      Gun Support      Restaurant Trade Dress**



Pending Administrative Review

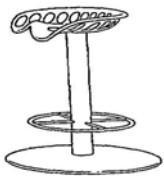


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**TV and Computer      Support Cots for children**



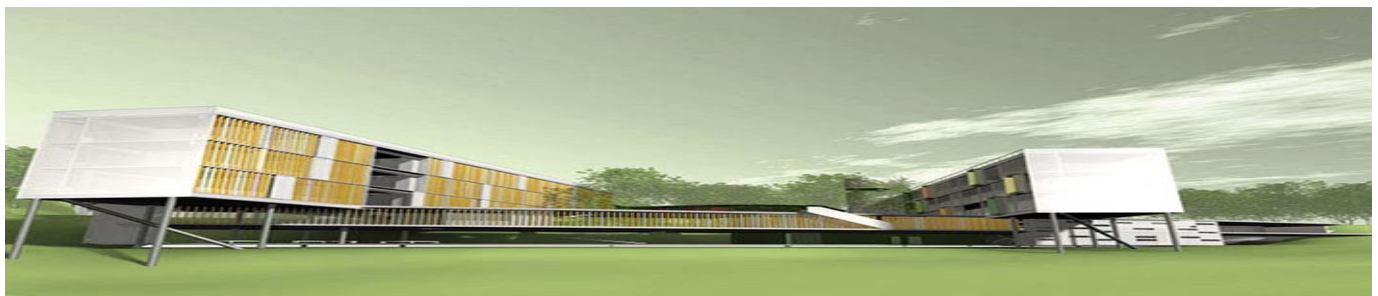
Gave up



Waiting for appeal decision

As for real estate, protection is granted by our Author's right, which is similar to the French Droit D'Auteur and independent of registrar as a general rule. However, to guarantee protection, in general they should be registered at the Regional Engineering and Architecture Counsel and at CONFEA (federal council of engineering architecture and agronomy), as well as published in the Official Gazette.

Examples of registered projects:



Cruzeiro School

Circo Voador

