

Fragment of an honorific decree

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IG 2[3] 1 1159

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Description

Date 217/6 BCE

Period: 3rd century BCE --> second half --> after 229 BCE, liberation from Macedonian control

Reasons: archon, cutter's hand

Text category honorific decree

Notes:

The motivations clause (ll. 8sqq.) contained a long and detailed description of the many benefactions addressed to Athens by the honourand and his ancestors, and of honours previously granted to them by the Athenian Demos. The mention of positive actions performed in the past can be inferred especially from the reference to war actions (organization of military units, ll. 16-7, cf. the honorific decree for the poet Philippides IG 2[3] 1 877 , 287/6 BCE, on ll. 22-3), that cannot be ascribed to recent years.

Monument description **Monument type:** pedimental stele

Material: white marble

✓ ornamentation

✓ stoichedon style

Letters Height Mt: 0.005

Same stonecutter as:

IG 2[3] 1 1139, see Tracy 1990 42.

Notes:

Pediment with acroteria.

The number of 39 stoichoi for each line is very often disattended, due to syllabication.

Physical features

Measurements: h: 0.493 * w: 0.325 * t: 0.085

State of conservation: Fragment from the upper-right corner of the stele.

Legibility: Good.

Findspot

Inner Kerameikos --> Sanctuary of the Demos and the Charites (area of)
--> railway trench

Date of discovery: 1890 or 1891

Circumstances: fortuitous discovery

First edition:

Lolling AD 1892, 42-46

Original location

Inner Kerameikos --> Sanctuary of the Demos and the Charites

Details:

This location is here hypothetically suggested, on the base of the comparison with the other analogous honorific decrees for foreign benefactors, found in the 1890/1 excavations for the Athens-Piraeus railway (see Findspot), that had been originally set up in the Sactuary of the Demos and the Charites (cf. Monaco 2001 106-110).



✓ uncertain

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