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Justinian, Digesta, with commentary

f. 1 //decretum habuit; cessat edictum. nam statuit uerbum ... Idem. libro. Patris adoptiui parentes impune uocabit quoniam hi eius parentes//

Justinian, Digesta, 2.2.1-4; edd. T. Mommsen and P. Krueger Corpus iuris civilis (Berlin, 1928), 1:47-8 (42.32-43.29). The commentary surrounding the text seems to be a compilation of the Glossa ordinaria of Accursius and other works.

Parchment (the verso is badly stained and damaged from use in a binding; there is a large hole in the center of the leaf). 1 folio. 370 x 240 mm (written space of text of Digest 180 x 115 mm; written space of surrounding commentary ca. 362 x 225 mm). 2 columns. 37 lines of text. 89 lines of commentary. Ruled in lead.

Written in gothic script (littera textualis). 3- to 7-line initials of each chapter are orange on a dark blue ground, decorated with light blue, white and yellow, and are not set apart from the text. 2- to 3-line initials of the names of the authorities are blue highlighted with red and are set apart from the text. 1-line initials following the authorities are red highlighted with blue. Other 1-line initials within text are brown and are frequently distinguished by paragraph marks which alternate red and blue. Rubrics are written in red minuscule. A running title "ii" is in red in the center of the upper margin of the recto. Punctuation consists of the punctus and punctus elevatus. The text is written in the center of the page and is surrounded by two columns of commentary in the same hand. Other hands have added notes on the text or commentary in the margins.

The fragment was used as a wrapper for a volume measuring ca. 205 x 145 mm.

Zinniker 137.