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An Influential Treatise on Riparian Law

1. Aimo, Battista [1550-1589].

De Alluvionibus; Tractatus Fertilissimus, In quo Incrementi & Decrementi Fluminum, Ad Fundorum Vicinorum Commodo, & Incommoda, Cum Naturali Acquisitione, & Amissione Dominiorum, & Possessionum; Materia ita Copiosè, & Clarè Tractatur, Ut nil Amplius Desiderandum Sit. Quod ad Venditionum, Emptionum; Pactorum Inter Emptorem, & Venditorem; Locationum, Conductionum, & Retractum, In Praediis Rusticis Fluminibus Adhaerentibus, Negotia Exactissimè Conferre Possit. Opus Omnibus Utile, Delectabile, & Admodum Necessarium. Cum Desiderabilibus Summariis, & Indice Copiosissimo. Venice: Apud Baretium Baretium & Socios, 1599. [xx], 307, [23] pp. Two woodcut folding plates. Eleven large woodcut text illustrations. Text printed within ruled borders.

Contemporary vellum with later vellum rebacking, later hand-lettered title to spine, early hand-lettered title to foot of text block, endleaves renewed. Light scuffing and a few minor stains and wormholes to boards, which are slightly bowed, light wear to corners, front hinge cracked, rear hinge starting, bookplate residue to front pastedown, a few partial cracks to text block. Moderate toning, light foxing in places, light browning to a few leaves. \$1,850.

* Third edition. Aimo's influential treatise addresses a thorny aspect of riparian law: alluvium, that is, soil deposited on a shore by a river that modifies the dimensions of a parcel of land. A fine example of humanistic legal scholarship, it is notable for its application of geometry-based surveying techniques, which are illustrated in the plates and most of the woodcuts. First published in 1580, it went through several editions into the eighteenth century. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE573. [Order This Item](#)



Funeral Rites and Burials

2. Asinio, Giovanni Baptista [fl. 1562].

Commentarii in Titulum Digestorum De Religiosis & Sumptibus Funerum. Florence: Apud Laurentium Torrentinum, 1562. [viii], 338, [52] pp. Folio (12-3/4" x 8-1/4").

Contemporary calf with later varnishing, blind rules and small central arabesques to boards, raised bands and later lettering piece to spine, spine ends and corners mended. Some scuffing to boards, corners bumped, front joint partially cracked, front hinge just starting, rear hinge mended, later armorial bookplate to front pastedown. Light toning to text, a bit of soiling to title page. Early owner annotations to front pastedown, signatures and stamps to title page, interior otherwise clean. Ex-library. Bookplate to front pastedown. A nice copy of a rare title. \$1,250.

* Only edition. Asinio was a notable Florentine jurist who was patronized by Cosimo I de Medici. He is best-known for his treatises on practice and procedure in Roman and Florentine law. *De Executionibus* is a comprehensive treatise on the section of the *Digest*, Book XI, Title 7, which addresses funeral rites and burial. It is a scarce title. OCLC locates 5 copies, 3 in North America (at the Library of Congress, Newberry Library and University of Chicago). *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE3262. [Order This Item](#)



The Roman Law of Prescription

3. Balbo, Giovanni Francesco [f. 1510-1518].

[Henricus, de Segusio, Cardinal (Hostiensis) (c. 1200-1271)].

Tractatus Foecundus, et Perutilis de Praescriptionibus: Editus per Clarissimum Iuriconsultum do. Ioannem Franciscum Balbum Taurinensem. Cui Accedit Repetitio Singularis l. Celsus ff. de Usucap. Cum Multis Additionibus & Apostillis, Una cum Dictis Hostien. In Summa de Praescrip. & Usucap. & Cum Summariis & Repertorio Nuper Additis. Venice: [Apud Cominum de Tridino], 1564. [xxxii], 300 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Fol. 1 has woodcut of Balbo instructing a class of students. Octavo (6" x 4").

Contemporary limp vellum with lapped edges, early hand-lettered title to spine, ties lacking. Some soiling, especially to spine, minor wear to corners, some worming to pastedowns and endleaves, a few partial cracks to text block, boards slightly bowed. Some toning to text, light foxing in places. Early annotations and signatures to preliminaries and title page, other annotations and underlining to a few places in text, two inkstains to fol. 224 with minor damage to legibility. \$1,500.

* Later edition of a work first published in 1511. *Tractatus Foecundus* is concerned with the Roman law of prescription, the principle whereby a right or liability is created or extinguished over a certain period of time, usually in regard to a property title. It also includes an edition of a short treatise on this subject by Henricus de Segusio. It was a popular work that went through several issues and editions, the last one in 1582. Our 1564 copy was also issued in 1563. Both are identical in every respect and share the same entry number in EDIT16. All editions are scarce in North America. OCLC locates 2 copies of the 1564 edition in North America (at Harvard Law School and the Library of Congress). *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE3948. [Order This Item](#)



Two Scarce Sixteenth-Century
Italian Works on Roman and Canon Law

4. Bero, Agostino [1474-1554].

Thomasius, Joannes, Editor.

Quaestiones Familiars: Pragmaticis Percommodae. Venice: Apud Io. Antonium Bertanum, 1574. [lxxii], 445, [3] pp.

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Marzari, Francesco.

In Materiam Fideicomissariam Epitome Francisci Marzarrii Vicentini Iurisconsulti ac in Rot. Genuens. Bononiens. Florentina Quondam Auditoris Integerrimi. Venice: Apud Vincentium Vianum, 1574. [viii], 67, [1] pp.

Octavo (6" x 4"). Contemporary vellum, early hand-lettered title to spine. Some soiling, a few minor stains, light rubbing to extremities, vellum beginning to crack through front and rear pastedowns, hinges cracked, text block secure. Moderate toning to text, faint dampstaining to margins of a few leaves, internally clean. Nice copies of two scarce titles. \$1,250.

* Bero, Later edition; Marzari, first edition. *Quaestiones Familiars* was first published in Bologna with title *Familiars Quaestiones*. Its 136 *quaestiones* deal mostly with Roman or canon law. Whatever the topic, most of Bero's authorities come from canon law. A durable work, it went through five editions, the last in 1629. As indicated by its title, Marzari's treatise addresses the Roman law of fideicommissum, the request by a testator to any person who benefited by his will or intestacy to give certain objects to a third party. Both titles are scarce, especially Marzari's. OCLC locates 3 copies in North America, all of the 1574 edition (UT-Austin Ransom Library, Harvard and UC-Berkeley Law Schools). *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* (EDIT16) Bero: CNCE5561; Marzari CNCE38579. [Order This Item](#)



**Treatise on Possession and Interdict in Roman Law Bound
With a Commentary on the First Constitution of the Papal States**

5. Boccacci, Virginio [d. 1596].

Tractatus de Interdicto Vti Possidetis, Sive de Manutentione in Possessionem: Continens Quaestiones Utiles in Praxi, & Theorica, Quae Versis Paginis Indicantur. Nunc Primum in Lucem Editus, Cum Summariis, & Indice Rerum, Ac Verborum Locupletissimo. Macerata: Ex Typographia Sebastiani Martellini, 1581. [viii], 198, [34] pp.

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Boccacci, Virginio.

Annotationes cum Additionibus in Constitutione Aegidiana, seu L. Unica C. Si de Mom. Poss. Fuer. Appel. Nunc Primum in Lucem Editae, Quae Autem Contineantur in Additionibus, Post Sequentem Paginam Demonstrabitur. Adiecto Insuper Indice Rerum, Ac Verborum Locupletissimo. Macerata: Ex Typographia Sebastiani Martellini, 1581. [viii], 88, [16] pp.

Quarto (8-1/4" x 6"). Nineteenth-century quarter vellum over marbled boards, edges colored green. Gilt fillets and calf lettering piece to spine, endpapers renewed. Light soiling to spine, some rubbing to extremities with minor wear. Title page of first title printed in red and black, woodcut decorated initials. Faint dampstaining to a few leaves, occasional light browning and foxing. Underlining and inkstains to some leaves, interior otherwise clean. \$1,500.

* First edition (*Tractatus*); Only edition (*Annotationes*). The first title discusses interdictions and actions. A popular work, it was reissued several times well into the eighteenth century. The second work is a commentary on the *Constitutiones Sanctae Matris Ecclesiae*. Also known as the *Constitutiones Aegidianae*. This document, the first constitution of the Papal States, was adopted in 1357 and remained in force until 1816. Though bibliographically distinct, these titles appear to have been issued together. OCLC locates 3 copies of the 1581 *Tractatus* in North American law libraries (Duke, Library of Congress, Yale), 4 copies of *Annotationes* (Harvard, Library of Congress, UC-Berkeley, Yale). *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* (EDIT 16) CNCE 6218, 6219. [Order This Item](#)



With a Section on Canon-Law Jurisprudence

6. Bonacina, Martino [1585-1631].

Tractatus Tres de Legibus, De Peccatis, Et de Praeceptis Decalogi: In Quorum Primo Agitur de Legibus in Genere, & in Specie, & de iis Que Pertinent ad Legem Praeceptivam, & Poenalem, & ad eius Cessationem Agitur Etiam de Dispensationibus, & de Privi Egijs. In Secundo Vero Copiose Agitur de Peccatis. In Tertio Denique Plura de Praeceptis Decalogi, Deque Duobus Ecclesiae Praeceptis, Videlicet, Ieiunio, & Decimis; Solertissime Disputatur. In Hac Vero Nostra Postrema Editione non Solum Omnes Errores qui in Priori Irrepserant Omni Diligentia Correcti & Emendati Sunt, Verum Etiam Quamplura Loca ab Ipso Autore Perpolita, & Illustrata. Venice: Sumptibus Disiunctae Societatis, 1629. [x], 916, [88] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (8" x 6").

Contemporary vellum, speckled edges. Some soiling and a few minor stains, a few tiny worm holes, small chip to upper corner of rear board, front hinge cracked but secure, rear hinge starting, minor worming to pastedowns. Large woodcut device to title page, woodcut head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Edges trimmed with negligible loss to text in first and final gatherings. Toning, faint dampspotting and stains in a few places, internally clean. \$350.

* Final edition. Bonacina was one of the foremost moralists of his age and an influential church official. A fine introduction to his work on law and theology, *Tractatus Tres* was first published in 1622. Other editions followed in 1627, 1625 and 1629. As its subtitle indicates, the first of the three *tractati* discusses the jurisprudence of canon law. The other sections discuss sin and the Ten Commandments from the viewpoints of law and theology. All editions are scarce. OCLC locates 5 copies of the 1629 edition, 1 in North America (St. Bonaventure University). Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*. [Order This Item](#)



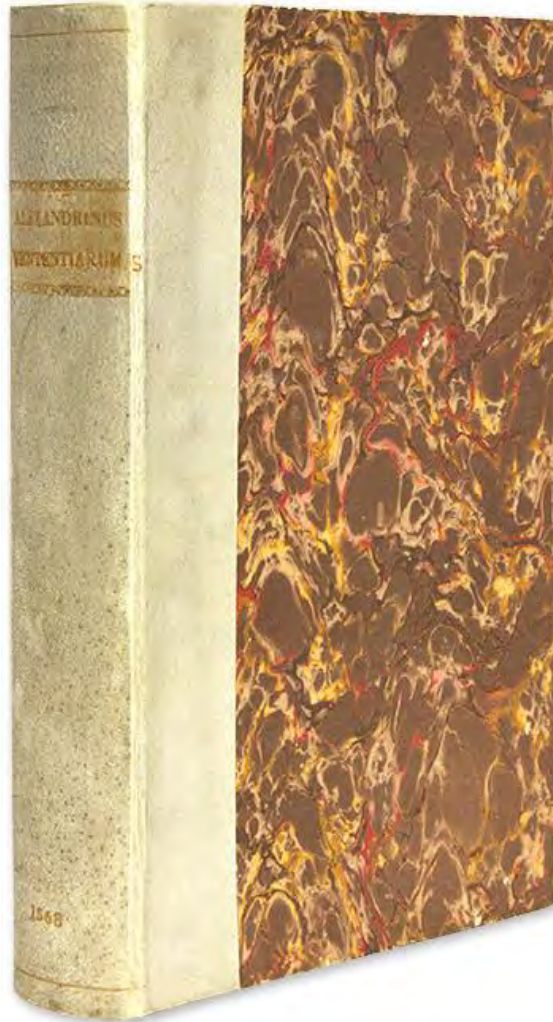
Investiture in the Kingdom of Naples

7. Capece, Antonio [d. 1535?].

Investitura Feudalis Excellentiss. I.V.D.D. Antonij Capycij Equitis Neapolitani, Regij Consiliarij, Ad Omnes Ferme Feudales Questiones Enucleandas Iuris Peritis Omnibus Utilis. Ac Perquam Necessaria ab Exemplari Ipsius Auctoris Manu Perscripto Excerpta, Nec Unquam Antea in Lucem Aedita. Cum Indice Capitulorum ac Paragraphorum per Auctorem in Hunc Ordinem Redacto. Nec non Eisdem Repetitio L. Imperialem de Prohibita Feud. Alien. per Feder. Noviter a Mendid Primae Impressionis Suae Proprietae Claritati Reddita. Naples: Apud Iosephum Cacchium & Socium, 1569. [xii], [13]-287; [9], 58 pp. Two parts, each with title page, individual pagination and colophons dated 1569. Complete. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (12" x 8-1/2").

Contemporary limp vellum, early hand-lettered title to spine, ties lacking. Spine darkened, a few minor stains, a few worm holes, some worming to edge of rear cover, pastedowns loose, text block detached, later bookseller description pasted to verso of front cover. Attractive woodcut initials. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, faint dampstaining to foot of text block, light foxing in a few places, internally clean. \$2,500.

* First edition. This is a study of the laws concerning the transfer of land from an overlord to a vassal (investiture) in the Kingdom of Naples. A second edition was published in 1570. The second part of this book, the *Repetitio Super Legem Imperialem de Prohibita Feudi Alienatione per Pedericum*, was originally published in 1539. Both editions of *Investitura Feudalis* are rare. OCLC locates 3 copies of the first edition in North America (Harvard Law School, UC-Berkeley Law School, University of Florida) and 3 copies of the second (at Harvard Law School, Library of Congress, University of Pennsylvania). Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*. [Order This Item](#)



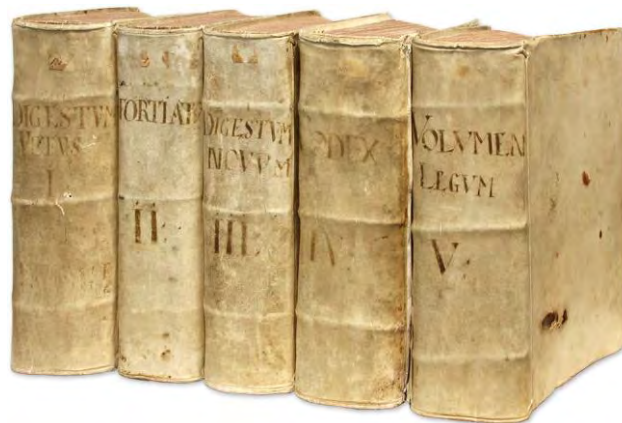
Claro on Roman Criminal Law and Procedure

8. Claro, Giulio [1525-1575].

Sententiarum Receptar[um] Liber Quintus; In Quo Diversorum Criminum Materia XX. §§ Diligenter Explicatur. Item Practica Criminalis, Totius Criminalis Iudicii Ordinem & Delictorum Poenas Complectens, Ab Eodem Authore Prostremo Supradicti Libri § Addita. Unà cum Singularum Quaestionum Summariis, & Indice Rerum Memorabilium Locupletissimo. Venice: Apud Ionnem Gryphium, 1568. [320] ff. Folio (11-1/4" x 7-1/4").

Recent quarter vellum over marbled boards, gilt title to spine, endleaves added. Light rubbing to extremities, light soiling and faint spotting to spine. Moderate toning and faint dampstaining to text, brief early annotations to a few leaves. \$1,500.

* First edition. With indexes. Claro was a Milanese jurist. This (bibliographically distinct) study of Roman criminal law and procedure, and the criminal law of Milan, was Book Five of an unfinished multi-volume work titled *Sententiae Receptae*. Six other editions were published in the sixteenth century and it was included in several collected-works editions, which began to appear during the seventeenth century. All editions of this work are scarce. OCLC locates 3 copies of the first edition in North America (Harvard Law School, UC-Berkeley Law School, University of Pennsylvania). *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 12643. [Order This Item](#)



Impressive 1598 Edition of the *Corpus Iuris Civilis*

9. [Corpus Juris Civilis]

Justinian I [485-565CE], Emperor of the East

Accursius [c.1182-c.1260], Glossator.

Leconte, Antoine [1517-1586], Commentary.

Cujas, Jacques [1522-1590], Commentary.

Douaren, François [1509-1559], Commentary.

De Bottis, Jacopo Anello [1524-1581], Commentary.

Caravita, Agostino [d.1580], Commentary.

D. Iustiniani Imperatoris Opus, Prudentum Responsa Caesarumque Rescripta Complectens. Quinq[ue] Voluminibus Distinctum, Multis Legibus Additis, Ac Iuris Consultorum, Cuiacii, Dyonisii Gothofredi, & Iacobi Anelli de Bottis, Augustinq[ue] Caravita Glossis, Additionibus, Atq[ue] Nonnullis Aliis Illustratum. Utieorum Omnium Elenchus Indicabit. Novissima Editio Juntarum. Venice: Apud Iuntas, 1598. Six volumes in five books. Complete set. Main text in parallel columns with linear glosses. Each volume preceded by title page, title page of Volume I preceded by general title page. Folio (9-1/2" x 6-3/4").

Contemporary vellum, early hand-lettered titles and volume numbers to spines, speckled edges. Some spotting and staining, light wear to extremities, corners and spine ends bumped, front joint of Book IV cracked, a few small wear holes to front boards of Books IV and V, early armorial bookplates to front pastedowns, small early owner stamp to front free endpapers, vellum beginning to crack through pastedowns of a few volumes, front free endpaper lacking from Book I. General title page is a copperplate with an architectural border, volume title pages, each with large woodcut Giunta device, printed in red and black. Light to moderate toning, faint dampstaining and light foxing in places, early repair to leaf a1 in Book II with content replaced in manuscript, chipping and edgewear to general title page with some loss to image, early owner signatures to title pages of each volume except Volume VI. \$4,500.

* Commissioned by the Emperor Justinian I, the body of works known as the *Corpus Iuris Civilis* reformed, restated and preserved Roman law. The *Code* is the reformed legal system. The *Novels* is a compilation of additional laws and amendments. The *Institutes* is an elementary textbook about it. And the *Digest* is a collection of commentary by leading jurists. The first modern edition, and the first titled *Corpus Juris Civilis*, was by Denis Godefroy [1549-1622]. Published in 1583, it became the standard version. Giunta's 1598 edition, which was reprinted in 1606 and 1612, is something of an anachronism because it reprints the collections of texts that were rendered obsolete by Godefroy. For this reason it offers an interesting comparison to Godefroy's edition. OCLC locates 3 complete copies in North America: Western Michigan University, which has a complete 1598 copy, and the University of Virginia Law School and University of Wisconsin, Madison, which have sets comprising volumes from 1598, 1606 and 1612. Our copy is from the library of the eminent historian Brian Tierney [1922-2019], an expert on the relationship between church and state in medieval Europe. *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE13435. [Order This Item](#)



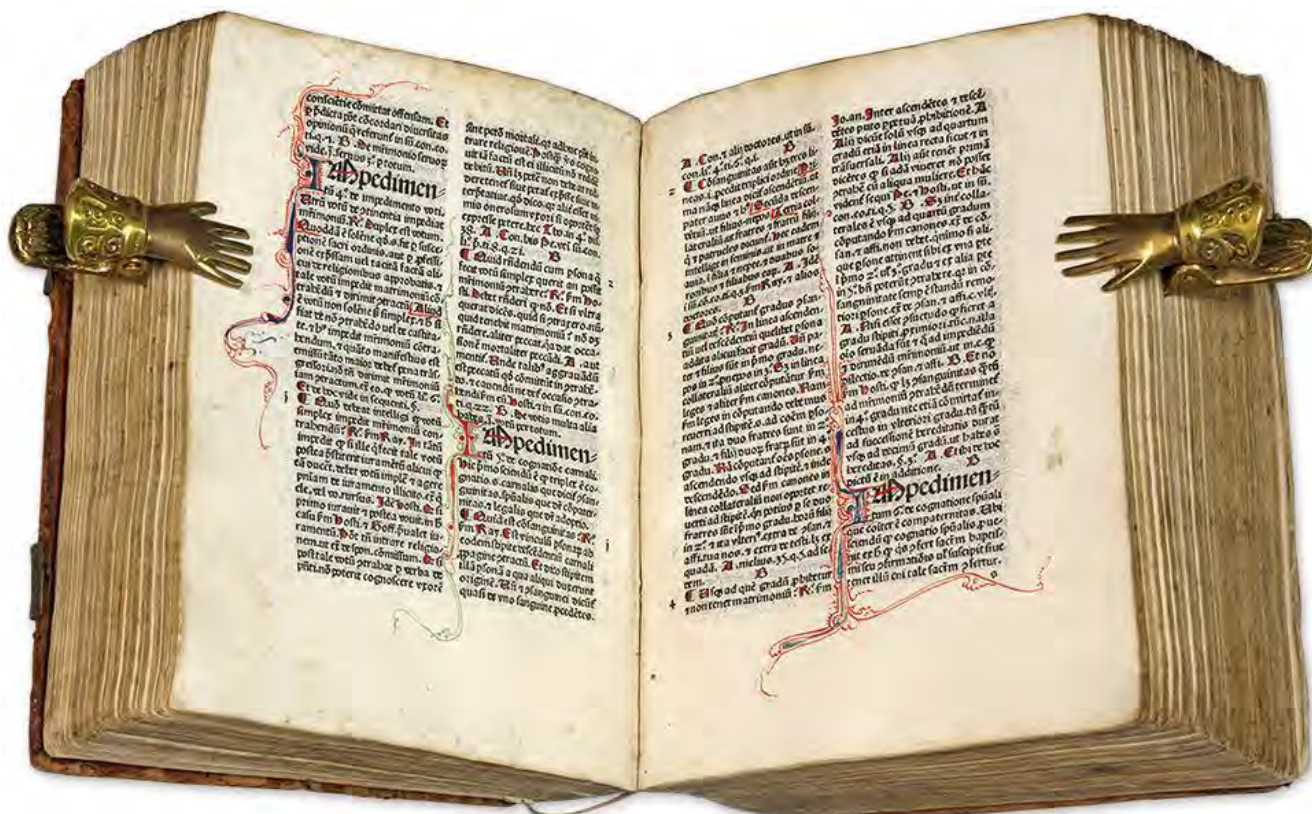
Rare Seventeenth-Century Treatise on Remedies

10. Costa, Giovanni Battista (Juan Battista) [16th/17th c.].

Tractatus de Remedijs Subsidiarijs. Primae Sedis Antecessoris; In quo Methodice Explicantur Variæ, Atq[ue]; Multiplices Materiae, Tam Canonicae, Quam Civiles, Criminales Quoq[ue]; & Aliquæ Theologicae, Ex Ipsis Legum, Canonum, Bullarum, Statutorum; Ac Constitutionum Fontibus Exhaustæ, Necnon Indicati Consignantur Complures Casus Conciliares, Quatenus in Subsidium Dumtaxat Proditæ Remedia Utrunque Comperiuntur, Quæ Postea ad Quotidianam Praxim pro Ultimo Praesidio, Ac Refugio Frequentius Revocantur. Cum Indice Rerum, Atq[ue]; Sententiarum Fatis Copioso Iuxta Seriem Alphabeticam Disposito. Pavia: Ex Typographia Petri Bartoli, 1608. [xxx] 365, [2] pp. Main text in parallel columns. Copperplate portrait (to verso of title page). Folio (12" x 8").

Contemporary limp vellum with lapped edges, early hand-lettered title to spine, ties lacking. Light rubbing to extremities, faint staining to boards, minor worming to hinges and pastedowns. Title page, with large copperplate arms, printed in red and black, woodcut head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Moderate toning to text, somewhat heavier on places, faint dampstaining to preliminaries and a few other leaves, early owner signature partially excised from foot of title page, internally clean. \$950.

* First edition. This treatise deals with civil and criminal remedies in Roman, canon and feudal law. Little is known about Costa. The title page identifies him as a highly placed canon lawyer attached to the Vatican. The presence of a portrait frontispiece, with a cartouche bearing his arms, indicates that he was an important man. Costa is not to be confused with the French jurist Jean Lacoste (de la Coste) [1560-1637]. Costa's treatise went through two later editions in 1629 and 1630. All three are rare. OCLC locates 2 copies in North America, both 1629 editions (at the Library of Congress and UC-Berkeley Law School). Not in Camus, Roberts or the *British Museum Catalogue*. [Order This Item](#)



1483 Printing of an Important Digest of Canon Law with a
Tract on Jewish Moneylenders, A Copy with Notably Fine Penwork

11. De Ausmo (Osimo), Nicolaus [d. 1453].

[Bartholomew, Of San Concordio (1262-1347)].

De Nevo (Nievo), Alexander [d. 1484].

Astesanus of Asti [d.c.1330].

[*Supplementum Summae Pisanellae*; *Consilia Contra Judaeos Foenerates*; *Canones Poenitentiales*]. [Venice: Franciscus Renner, de Heilbroonn, 1482]. [554] ff. Lacking initial blank. Collation: a11, b-y12, 1-1812, 198, 2010. 21-2212, A-B12, C10. Quarto (7" x 5"; 18 x 13 cm).

Recent period-style blind-tooled calf with clasps, bosses to boards, endpapers renewed. 38-line gothic type in parallel columns, decorated initials, rubricated throughout with red, blue and green penwork extending into margins. Light toning to text, occasional faint dampstaining and minor worming to head of text block above text. A handsome volume with exceptional penwork. \$18,000.

* Completed in 1444, this important alphabetically digested encyclopedia of canon law is an enlargement of the *Summa de Casibus Conscientiae* by Bartholomew of San Concordio. Two other important texts are appended: Alexander de Nevo's (or Nievo's) analysis of the Church's view of Jewish money lenders, *Consilia Contra Judaeos Fenerantes*, and the *Canones Poenitentiales* by Astesano. These two texts appear in editions of the *Supplementum* published after 1476. The ISTC locates 3 complete copies of this imprint in North America, none in law libraries. OCLC locates 1 in a law library (Library of Congress). Goff, *Incunabula in American Libraries* N74. *Gesamtkatalog der Wiegendrucke* M26260. *Incunabula Short-Title Catalogue* in00075000. [Order This Item](#)



**A Scarce Sixteenth-Century
Treatise on the Benefit of Inventory**

12. Fanucci, Fanuccio de.

Tractatus de Inventario Haeredis ac Eius Beneficio. Cui Accedit, Eiusdem Authoris, Non Inelegans Responsum, Super Statuto Lucensi. Nunc Primum In Lucem Editus, & Ceteris Omnibus, Qui Hactenus Super Huiuscemodi Materia Conscripti Sint, Longe Auctior, & Locupletior. Cum Indicibus, Ac Summariis Copiosissimis. Venice: Apud Haeredes Vincentij Valgrisiij, 1574 (colophon dated 1573). [xxxii], 314 (i.e. 310), [4], [8] pp. Octavo (6" x 4").

Contemporary limp vellum, somewhat later hand-lettered paper title label, early hand-lettered title to foot of text block, ties lacking. Light soiling, some rubbing to extremities, a few small wormholes through covers, pastedowns, endleaves and final leaf of text with negligible damage to legibility (parts of two words), occasional minor worming to margins. Attractive woodcut decorated initials. Light toning to text, early owner signatures to foot of front free endpaper and title page, interior otherwise clean. \$950.

* Only edition. This treatise analyzes benefit of inventory, a concept in Roman (and civil) law concerning an heir's right to commission a legally binding inventory of his ancestor's estate for representatives of the estate's creditors. It also concerns the right to limit debts and legacies to the amount of three fourths of an estate, thus preserving one fourth for the heir. OCLC locates 3 copies in North American law libraries (Columbia, Harvard, Library of Congress). *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE18578. [Order This Item](#)



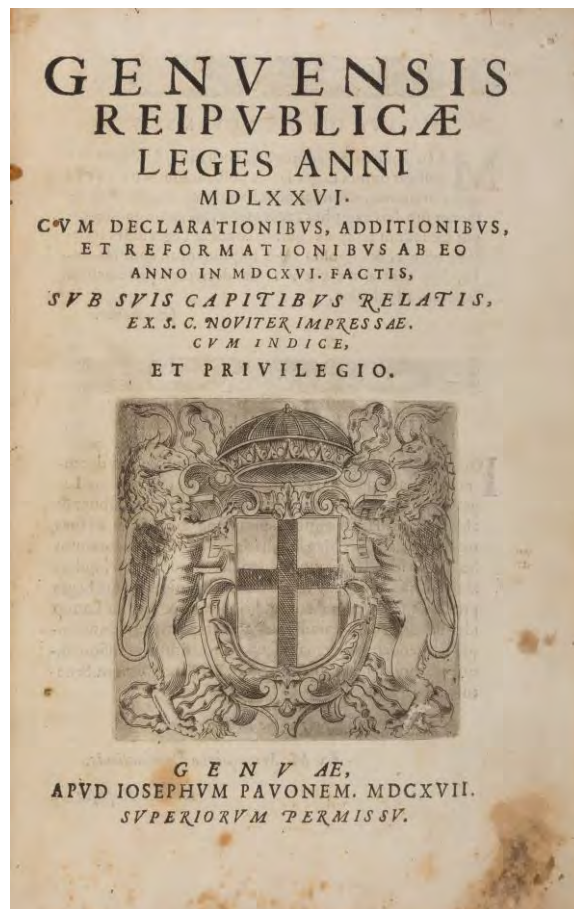
Consilia by a Humanist Advisor to Pope Clement VII

13. Ferretti, Giulio [1480-1547].

Consilia et Tractatus Quorum Tabulam Secunda Pagina Indicat. Cum Summariis, & Copiosissimo Omnium Materiarum Indice, Nunc Primum in Lucem Veniunt. Venice: Apud Avantium, 1562. [iv], 48, 219, [1] ff. Main text in parallel columns. Quarto (8-1/2" x 6-1/2").

Contemporary limp vellum with lapped edges, hand-lettered title to spine. Some darkening to spine, minor chipping to head, a few small cracks along joints, hinges reinforced, vellum just beginning to crack through pastedowns, partial crack to text block between front endleaf and title page, a few other partial cracks elsewhere. Some toning, faint dampstaining in a few places, internally clean. \$1,750.

* Only edition. Ferretti was a member of the College of Jurisconsults during the papacy of Clement VII [1478-1534]. This volume collects 31 of his canon-law consilia (analyses of disputed legal points, usually submitted by a judge). This volume was reissued in 1563. OCLC locates 3 copies of this imprint, 5 of the 1563 reissue. Copies located in North America at UC-Berkeley, which has the 1562 imprint, and the Library of Congress and University of Illinois, which have the 1563 imprint, and Harvard Law School, which has both. Not in Pazzaglini and Hawks. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 18857. [Order This Item](#)



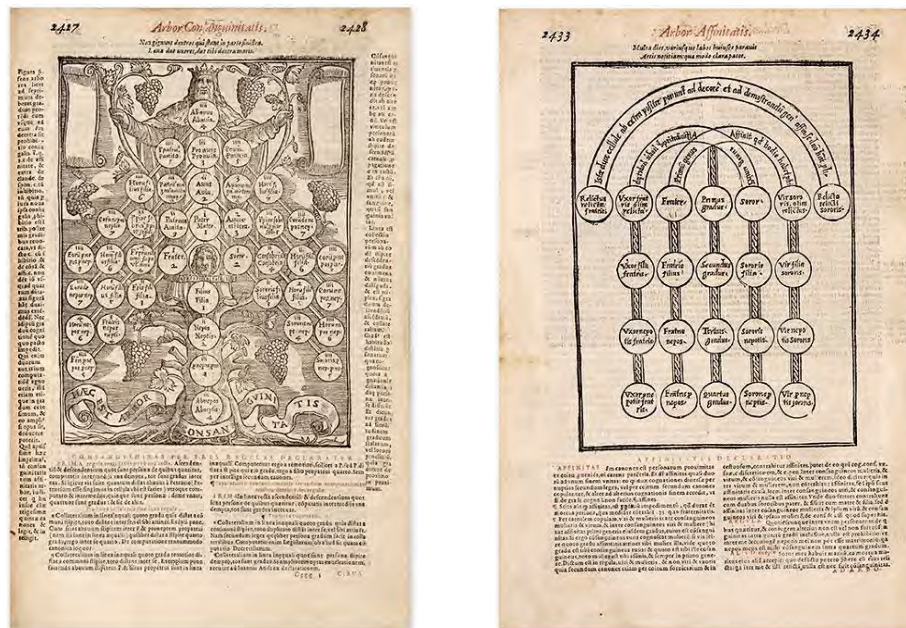
The "Reformed" Genoa Statutes of 1616

14. Genoa (Republic of).

Genuensis Reipublicae Leges Anni MCLXXVI. Cum Declarationibus, Additionibus, Et Reformationibus ab Eo Anno in MDCXVI. Factis, Sub Suis Capitibus Relatis, Ex S.C. Noviter Impressae. Cum Indice, Et Privilegio. Genoa: Apud Iosephum Pavonem, 1617. [iv], 164, 10, [12] pp. Final two sections, the index (12 pp.) and a collection of additional acts (10 pp.), bound in reverse order. Folio (11-1/2" x 7-3/4").

Contemporary vellum, raised bands to spine, speckled edges. Some staining to boards, corners bumped and somewhat worn, spine mostly perished, boards partially detached but secure, small section of vellum lacking from rear board, two later owner bookplates to front pastedown, front free endpaper partially detached. Large copperplate arms of Genoa to title page. Light toning, occasional light foxing, minor worming and edgewear to pastedowns, endleaves, final page of text and title page, which has light soiling and a few minor stains. \$850.

* Only edition. Along with Venice, Pisa and Amalfi, Genoa was one of the maritime republics that dominated trade in the Mediterranean. In addition to Corsica, Sardinia and lands in Liguria and Piedmont, Genoa controlled colonies in the Middle East. A city-state with a long tradition of republican rule, it received a new constitution based on Roman models in 1528 under the leadership of Andrea Doria, the *condottiero* who restored Genoa's fortunes after nearly two centuries of decline. In the early 1600s Genoa was prosperous and forward-looking, traits reflected in the "reformed" statutes of 1616. By 1707, however, Genoa had lost much of its wealth and power due to the shift in the world economy from the Mediterranean world to the Americas. OCLC locates 11 copies, none in North America. (We located a copy, however, at Yale Law School). *British Museum Catalogue* (Compact Edition) 10:309. [Order This Item](#)



Impressive Early Post-Tridentine Edition of Gratian

15. Gratian, the Canonist [c.1090-c.1160].

[Johannes Teutonicus (d.1253), Glossator].

[Bartolomeo da Brescia (d.1258), Glossator].

[Bolognini, Lodovico (1446-1508), Editor].

Decretum Gratiani Emendatum et Notationibus Illustratum una cum Glossis. Cum Privilegio Gregorii XIII. Pont. Max. & Aliorum Principum. Permittente Sede Apostolica; Atque cum Populi Romani Licentia. Venice: [Apud Magnam Societatem una cum G. Ferrario H. Franzino], 1584. 79 pp., 2704 [i.e. 2694] cols., [115] pp. Single-column main text surrounded by glosses. Folio (10-1/4" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary vellum, later gilt title to spine, edges of text block colored green, ribbon marker. Light soiling and some spotting to binding, corners and spine ends bumped. Text printed throughout in red and black, large woodcut vignette of Pope Gregory XIII to title page. Moderate toning to text, occasional light browning and faint dampspotting, faint dampstaining to head of text block in a few places, early repairs to fore-edges of ff. b1-b7. An impressive volume. \$950.

* The *Concordia Discordantia Canonum*, or as it is better known, the *Decretum Gratiani*, is the cornerstone of modern canon law. The first work of its kind, it was compiled by Gratian, a Camaldolese monk, around 1140. Using the latest scholastic and juristic techniques from the *Corpus Juris Civilis* in the study of the civil law, it became the basic text for the study of canon for many centuries. The *Decretum Gratiani* addresses various aspects of church jurisdiction, offenses and legal proceedings, as well as administrative issues like baptism, feast days, confirmation and the consecration of churches. In the following century an extensive gloss was added by Teutonicus. Known as the *Glossa Ordinaria*, it was later revised and enriched by another Bartolomeo of Brescia. The gloss and its revisions become a standard feature of subsequent manuscripts and printings. Though never an official edition of canon law, it was a standard work for nearly 800 years until it was superseded in 1918, along with the other books of the *Corpus Juris Canonici*, by the *Codex Iuris Canonici*. Our 1584 Venice edition incorporates the changes ordered in 1580-1582 by the council of revisers established by the Council of Trent (the *Correctores Romani*). It also includes Bolognini's edition of the *Margarita Decreti*, an index to the Decretals of Gregory IX. This copy is from the library of the eminent historian Brian Tierney [1922-2019], an expert on the relationship between church and state in medieval Europe. Ferreira-Ibarra, *The Canon Law Collection of the Library of Congress* 56. [Order This Item](#)



Scarce Sixteenth-Century Treatise on Investiture

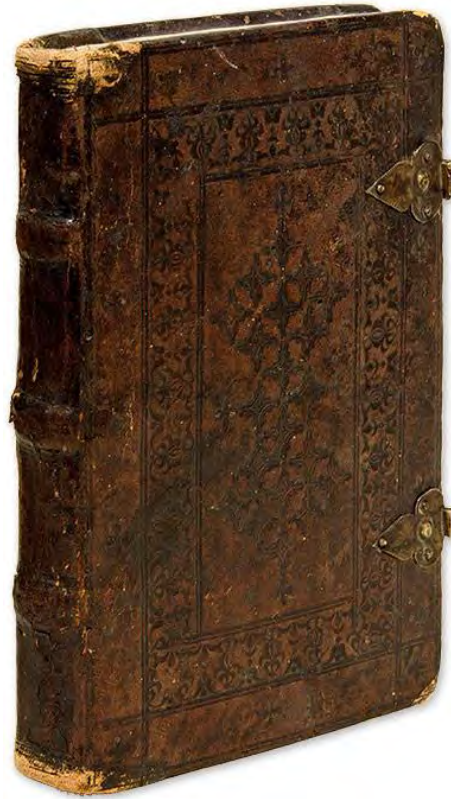
16. Gregorio, Pietro di [c. 1480-1533].

Mastrillo, Garzia (d.1620), Index.

De Concessione Feudi Tractatus: Cum Additionibus, Summariis, Argumentis, Ac Indice Don Garsiae Mastrilli Iureconsulti Eiusdem Authoris Pronepotis. Palermo: Apud Io. Antonium de Franciscis, 1598. [viii], 288 [i.e. 294], 30 pp. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (11" x 7-1/2").

Contemporary flexible vellum, red and green lettering pieces to spine. Corners and spine ends bumped, a few minor inkspots, some rubbing to edges of lettering pieces. Title page, with woodcut arms, printed in red and black, woodcut decorated initials. Light toning to text, a few leaves somewhat darker, faint dampstaining to margins, internally clean. A handsome copy. \$1,250.

* First edition. This is a study of the laws concerning the transfer of land from an overlord to a vassal (investiture) in Sicily, at that time governed under the Crown of Aragon, which included most of southern Italy. Gregorio, a lawyer from Messina, is not to be confused with the French jurist Pierre Gregoire [1540-1617]. A second edition was published in 1600, a reprint of the first edition in 2002. All three are scarce. In North America OCLC locates 1 copy of the first edition (at the Library of Congress), 1 copy of the second edition (at Harvard Law School) and two copies of the 2002 reprint (at Harvard Law School and UC-Berkeley). Not in the *British Museum Catalogue*. [Order This Item](#)



1501 Venetian Edition of the *Institutes* in a Contemporary Binding

17. [Justinian I (485-565 CE), Emperor of the East].

[Accursius (Accorso, Francisco) (c.1182-c.1260), Glossator].

[Gradibus, Johannes de (active 15th-16th c)].

Instituta cum Summariis. [Venice: Per Paganinum de Paganinis, May 25, 1501]. 152 [i.e. 140] ff. Text in parallel columns with linear gloss. Octavo (6-3/4" x 4-3/4").

Contemporary calf, blind frames and ornaments to boards, raised bands to spine, clasps, lower clasp lacking strap and buckle, endpapers renewed, inner margins of title page and leaf s1 (fol. 137) reinforced. Light rubbing to boards, light gatoring to spine, rubbing and light wear to spine ends, rubbing with heavier wear to corners. Printed throughout in red and black, "I" of "Instituta" on title page colored red. Moderate toning, faint, in some places very faint, dampstaining, some edgewear to preliminaries and final three leaves, annotations in early hand to title page and its verso, the verso of final leaf, and some leaves of the text. \$7,500.

* Commissioned by the Emperor Justinian in 530 CE, the body of writings known collectively as the *Corpus Juris Civilis* restated all existing Roman law. It has four components: the *Code*, *Novels*, *Institutes* and *Digest*. Intended for students, the *Institutes* is a synopsis of the reformed legal system. Rediscovered during the late middle ages, it became the standard textbook of Roman law. The main text of our 1501 imprint is accompanied by Accorso's great *Glossa Ordinaria* (or *Magistralis*). A Professor of Law at Bologna and a leading figure in the revival of classical jurisprudence, Accorso examined every extant note and commentary when he prepared his epochal edition of Justinian's *Institutes*, *Digest* and *Code*. This massive effort eliminated much of the obscurity and contradiction introduced by earlier writers. His editions, which superseded all previous attempts, remained definitive until the 1583 revision by Denis Godefroy. OCLC locates 3 copies, 1 in North America (Library of Congress). Not in Adams. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE 14113. [Order This Item](#)



Two Scarce Sixteenth-Century Treatises on Canon Law

18. Mandosio, Quintiliano [d. 1593].

Praxis et Theoria Commissionum a Beatiss. Papa ad Causas Decidendas in Quibus Omnes tam Veterum, Quam Recentium Doctorum Theoricas Recto Ordine Digestas, Ad Praxim Deductae Sunt. Omnibus Nedom Pontificii, & Caesarei Iuris Studiosis, Sed & Causarum Patronis, Advocatis Admodum, & Iusdicentibus Cuiuscumque Ordinis Utiles, Ac Necessarie. Rome: Ex Typographia Georgii Ferrarii, 1581. [iv], 141, [1] ff.

[Bound with]

Rossignac, Christophe de.

De re Sacerdotali, Seu Pontificia Quatuor Libris Exarata Commentatio Attexta est Inscriptio Omnium Capitum, Quae in Alteris Libris Duobus Continentur, Nam Primus, Per Capita non Est Distinctus, Sed uno, Perpetuoque Contextu, Omnem suam Prosequens, Est Materiem. Cum Approbatione Sacrae Theologiae, Parisiensis Facultatis, & Consultissimae Pontificiorum. Paris: Apud Poncetum le Preux, 1557. [viii], 325, [1] ff.

Quarto (8-1/2" x 6-1/2"). Later three-quarter calf over marbled boards, rebaked, raised bands, blind ornaments and lettering piece to spine, hinges mended, early armorial bookplate (of Thomas Hamilton, First Earl of Haddington, Lord Drumcarr) to verso of title page of *Praxis*. Some rubbing to board edges with some wear to corners. Attractive head-pieces, tail-pieces and decorated initials. Light toning to text, foxing in a few places, worming to margins of leaves at rear of text block, tear to final leaf carefully repaired. Later annotation, possibly a shelfmark, to front pastedown, later owner signature to front free endpaper, interior otherwise clean. \$3,000.

* *Praxis*: second edition; *Sacerdotali*: only edition. This volume collects two sixteenth-century treatises on canon law. First published in 1571, Mandosio's treatise addresses administrative law and government. Its final edition was published in 1585. A respected work, it was reprinted in the great *Tractatus Universi Iuris* (1584-86). Rossignac's treatise deals with the same topics from a historical perspective with an emphasis on councils and synods. Hamilton [1563-1637] was a notable Scottish lawyer, judge and politician. Copies of both titles are scarce in North American law libraries. *Praxis*: OCLC locates 3 copies, 1 at UC-Berkeley, which has a 1572 edition and the reissue in the *Tractatus Universi Iuris*, and 2 at Columbia and Harvard, which have copies of the 1585 edition. *Sacerdotali*: OCLC locates 1 copy in North America, at the University of Delaware. Adams, *Catalogue of Books Printed on the Continent of Europe, 1501-1600* M348, R660. [Order This Item](#)



A Powerful Opponent of Martin Luther

19. Mazzolini, Silverstro, Da Prierio [1456-1527].

Compendium in Johannem Capreolum cum Additionibus. [Cremona: Carolus de Darleriis, 15 and 28 April 1497]. [320] ff. Collation: [*4], a-n8, aa-kk8, ll-mm4, A-C8, D6, E4, AA-DD8, EE-GG6, HH4, (1-9)4. Complete. Quarto 9-1/4" x 7" (23 x 18 cm).

Contemporary calf with elaborate blind stamping, over wooden boards, rebaked with raised bands, blind ornaments and gilt title, traces of clasps. Light rubbing and minor worming to boards, moderate rubbing to board edges, hinges cracked. 46-line text in parallel columns, extensively rubricated in red, with 8 large 12 line initials in interlocking red and blue with fine purple penwork decoration, other 6 line initials in red. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, early annotations to front pastedown, other annotations and owner signature dated 1606 of Isaias Silberschlag, to title page, occasional annotations in his hand to text. A handsome copy of a rare imprint. \$10,000.

* First edition. Mazzolini, a theologian and wide-ranging scholar, was an inquisitor and censor of books for Rome. An early opponent of Martin Luther, he was involved in the juridical process against him. (Mazzolini was also involved in cases against Johann Reuchlin, Pietro Pomponazzi and Erasmus). A great deal of his scholarship was devoted to the works of St. Thomas Aquinas. Also known as the *Egregium vel Potius Divinum Opus in Johannem Capreolum*, Mazzolini's *Compendium* is a summary of a work of another Aquinas scholar, Jean Capreolus [c.1380-c.1444] dealing with Aquinas's commentaries on the *Libri Quattuor Sententiarum* of Peter Lombard [c.1096-1160], one of the great works of Medieval theology. Silberschlag, the former owner of this copy, was a professor of theology at the University of Erfurt. This is a scarce imprint. We located only two auction records for it, one in 1991, the other in 2002. OCLC locates 5 copies in North America (Cornell, Library of Congress, Morgan Library, St. Bonaventure University, Yale). Goff, *Incunabula in American Libraries* V519. *Gesamtkatalog der Wiegendrucke* M42160. *Incunabula Short-Title Catalogue* is00519000. [Order This Item](#)



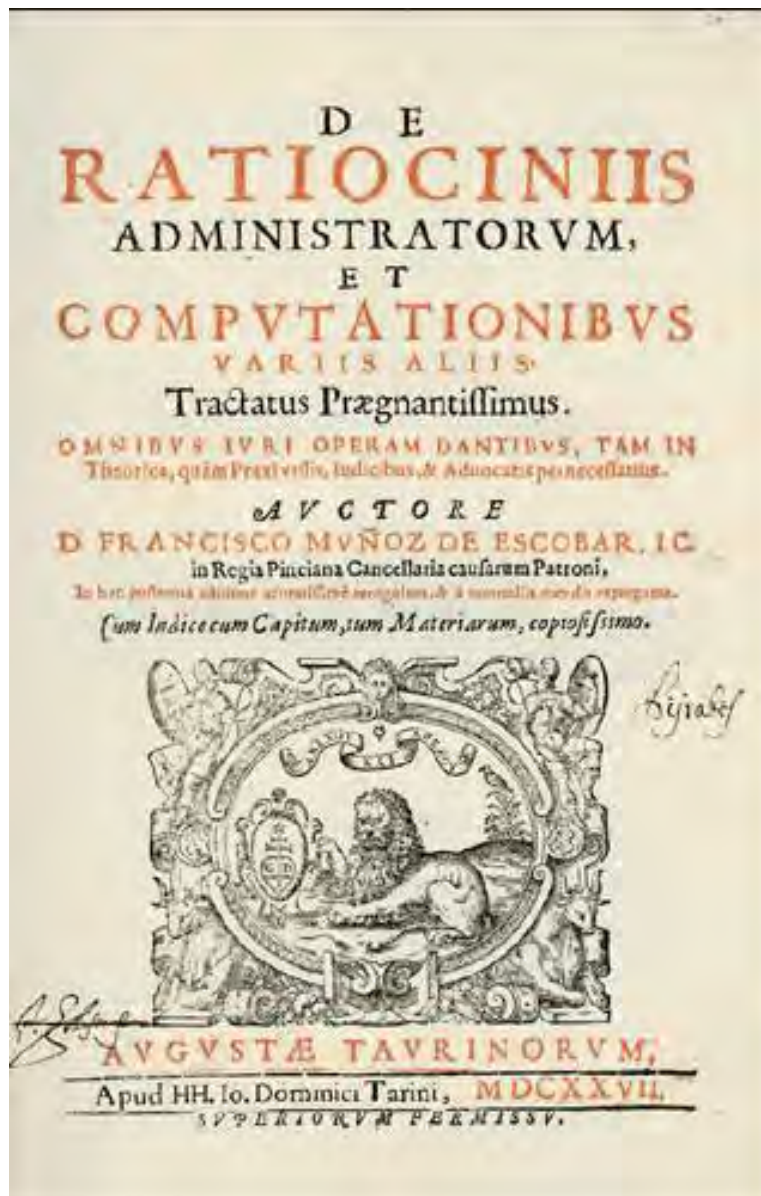
An Important Paduan Jurist

20. Menochio, Giacomo [1532-1607].

De Arbitrariis Iudicium Quæstionibus et Causis, Libri Duo, Varia, Recondita, Perfectaque Eruditione Referti, & Omnibus, Iudicia Prefertim Exercentibus, Oppido Quam Necessarii: Universam Enim Iuris Tractationem Quae a Iudicium Arbitrio Atque Potestate Pendet, Complectuntur. Nunc Demum Multis in Locis Restituti, & A Quamplurimis Mendis Vindicati, Haec; Omnium Postrema Auctoris Recognitione, Multarum Rerum Auctione Illustrati, & Locupletati, Quas his Notis [Pointing Hand] Includimus. Accessit Praeterea Libro Secundo Centuria Quinta, Eiusdem Authoris Solertia Recens Conscripta, Centum Cases Iudicibus Arbitrarios Continens, In Qua Multa, Quae ad Quotidianum Usus Forenses Spectant, Dilucidissime Pertractantur. Adiuncta sunt Summaria, Indicesque Duo Copiosi, Argumentorum Unus, Alter Verborum, Rerum, Sententiarumque Insignium. Venice: Ad Signum Concordiae, [Apud Franciscum de Francis], 1590. [lxx], 352 ff; [xxxii], 139 pp. Two volumes in one. Main text printed in parallel Columns. Folio (12-1/2" x 8-1/2").

Later calf, gilt double frames with corner fleurons to boards, gilt spine with raised bands and lettering piece, speckled edges, marbled endpapers. Some rubbing, chipping to spine ends, front board detached, rear boards beginning to separate. Large woodcut printer devices to title pages. Some toning, light soiling to first title page, minor worm holes to margins of a few leaves with no loss to text. Ex-library. Early location labels to spine, small blindstamp to title page and a few other leaves. A nice copy. \$950.

* Final edition, corrected. With index. Editorial changes noted with pointing hands (manicules) in margins. Highly regarded in his time, Menochio was a professor of law at the University of Padua. This volume is a collection of writings dealing with judges, judicial discretion and civil procedure, actions and defenses in Roman law. It was first published in 1569 and went through seven subsequent editions. OCLC locates 3 copies of this imprint (at Harvard and UC-Berkeley Law Schools and the University of Kansas). *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo (EDIT16)* CNCE 24943. [Order This Item](#)



1627 Treatise Dealing with Administration and Billing

21. Munez de Escobar, Francisco [fl. 1618].

De Ratiociniis Administratorum et Computationibus Variis Aliis. Tractatus Praegnantissimus. Omnibus Iuri Operam Dantibus, Tam in Theorica, Quam Praxiutilis, Indicibus, & Advocatis Peinecessarius. Turin: Apud H.H. Io. Dominici Tarini, 1627. [viii], 352, [51] pp. Quarto (12" x 8").

Contemporary quarter vellum over paper boards, hand-lettered title to spine and bottom edge. Moderate soiling and rubbing with some wear to extremities. Title page printed in red and black, attractive woodcut printer device, head-pieces and decorated initials. Two early signatures to title page in fine hand, a few annotations and small markings to text. Light browning to a few leaves, occasional light foxing, text otherwise fresh. A nice copy of an uncommon title. \$300.

* Later edition. With subject and title indexes. An early work on legal aspects of administration and billing. Not in Goldsmiths, Kress or the *British Museum Catalogue*. [Order This Item](#)



First Edition of a Standard Work on Pledges and Mortgages

22. Negusanti, Antonio [1465-1528].

Tractatus de Pignoribus et Hypothecis Domini Antonij Negusanti de Fano. [Bologna: Characteribus Cynthii Achillini excussa, 11 Augusti 1526]. [xii], 68, [2] ff. Text (except dedication) in parallel columns. Main text preceded by index (*Repertorium*). Folio (14-1/2" x 10").

Contemporary vellum, raised bands and faint early hand-lettered title to spine. Light rubbing, minor soiling and some minor stains to boards, which are slightly bowed, chip to head of spine, joints just starting at foot, corners bumped and somewhat worn, minor worming to pastedowns and endleaves, wear holes (paper flaw?) to rear free endpaper, crack in text block between front free endpaper and title page of *Repertorium*. Title pages printed within woodcut architectural border, woodcut decorated initials. Light toning, light foxing in a few places, brief early annotations in a few places, some affected by trimming, faint oil stains to a few leaves, light soiling and minor edgewear to preliminaries. An impressive copy of the rare first edition. \$5,000.

* First edition. Negusanti's treatise on pledges and mortgages in Roman law was a standard work for several generations of lawyers throughout Europe. Several issues and editions followed, the last one in 1736. OCLC locates 2 copies, 1 in North America (at Harvard Law School). *Censimento Nazionale Delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE23606. [Order This Item](#)



Masters of Legal Practice

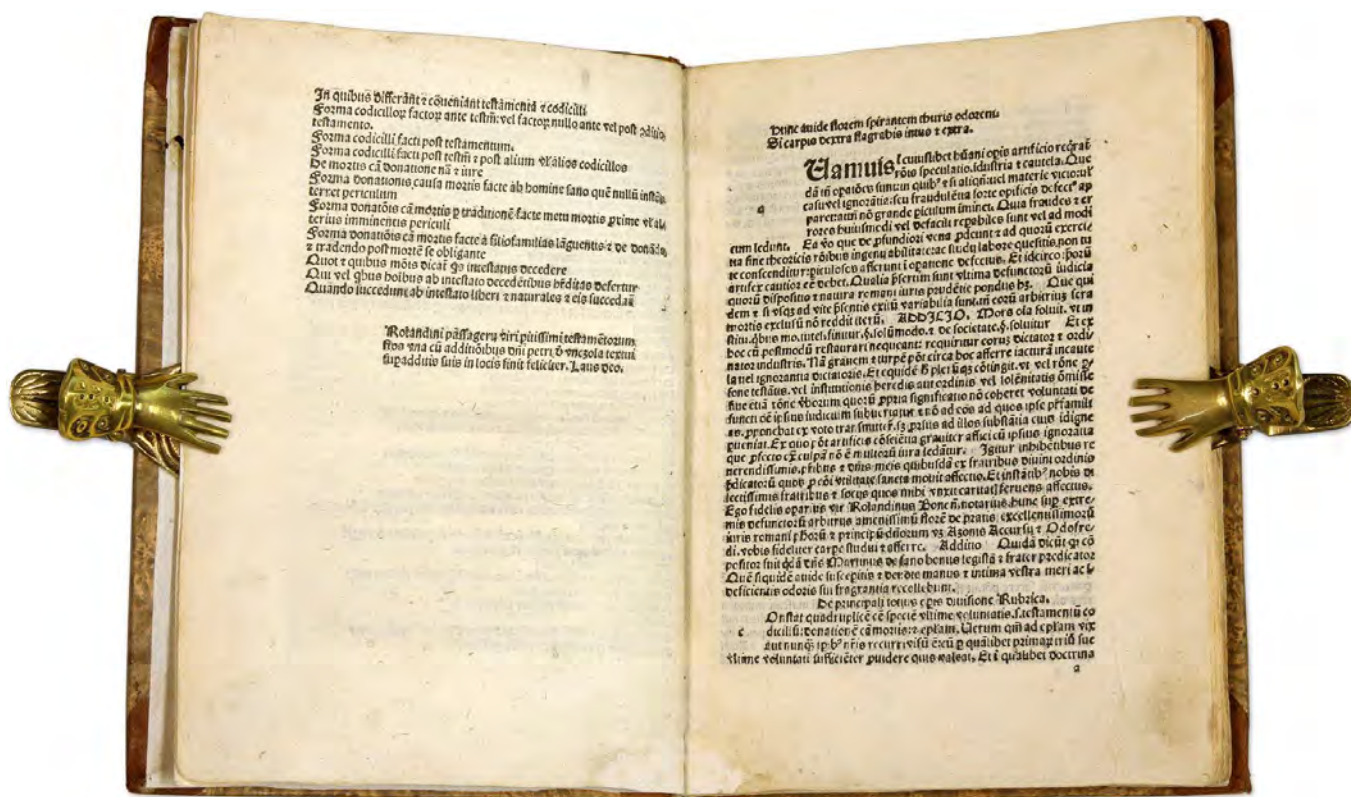
23. Panciroli, Guido [1523-1599].

Panciroli, Ottavio, Editor.

De Claris Legum Interpretibus Libri Quatuor. Venice: Apud Marcum Antonium Brogiollum, 1637. [xiv], 509, [56] pp. Quarto (8" x 6").

Contemporary limp vellum, early hand-lettered title to spine. Light soiling, a few minor inkstains, corners and spine ends lightly bumped, worming to pastedowns and free endpapers with some damage to joints, section lacking from front free endpaper, a few signatures loose. Some toning to text, a bit heavier in places. Early annotations to front pastedown, owner initials to foot of title page, interior otherwise clean. \$1,250.

* First edition. An interesting work on legal practice based on biographical studies of notable lawyers from nations of the Holy Roman Empire. A respected work, it went through later editions in 1655 and 1721. Educated at the University of Padua, Panciroli taught there for most of his career. OCLC locates 1 copy in North America of this 1637 first edition at Harvard Law School. Camus, *Bibliothèque Choisie des Livres de Droit* 45. [Order This Item](#)



C.1490 Venice Printing of a Renowned Guide to Drafting Wills and Contracts

24. Passageri, Rolandino de' [d. 1300].

[Unzola, Pietro Da (d. 1312)], Additions.

Flos Testamentorum cum Additionibus Petri de Unzola. [Venice: S.n., c.1490]. 46 ff. Collation: [*2], a-f8.4, g8. Quarto (8" x 6-3/4"; 20.3 x 17.2 cm).

Later three-quarter sheep over marbled boards, raised bands and gilt title to spine, endpapers added. Moderate rubbing to extremities, corners bumped, joints starting, small wormhole to rear joint, two later annotations in small hands (most likely shelf numbers), bookplate residue and tiny worm hole to front pastedown. 42-line single-column text, guide spaces blank. Moderate toning, somewhat heavy in places, careful repairs to margins of several leaves, light foxing in a few places. An attractive, wide-margined copy of a rare imprint. \$16,500.

* Passageri was a notary, government official and professor of rhetoric in Bologna. First published in 1482, *Flos Testamentorum* is a guide to drafting wills and contracts. It was derived from Passageri's *Summa Artis Notariae*, also printed in 1482, with rewritten sections and additional material by Pietro da Unzola. Recognized immediately as a useful work, it went through four editions before 1500 and several editions and adaptations during the sixteenth century. The *Incunabula Short-Title Catalogue* locates 11 copies (2 of them incomplete), 1 in North America (UCLA). Not in Goff. *Indice Generale degli Incunaboli delle Biblioteche d'Italia* 7240 (source of approximate date of 1490). *Incunabula Short-Title Catalogue* ir00243500. *Gesamtkatalog der Wiegendrucke* M38628. [Order This Item](#)



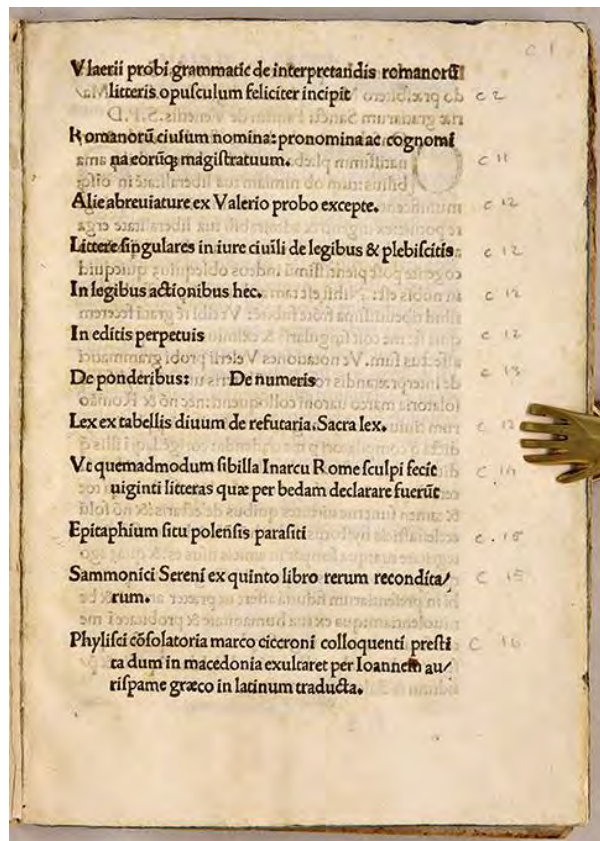
Notable Sixteenth-Century Treatise on Family Law

25. Pietro, d'Ancarano (Ancharano) [1330-1416].

Familiarium Iuris Quaestionum Libri Tres. Hac Postrema Editione Prioribus Duobus tum in Utroque Fore Versantibus, Tum in Scholis Docentibus Apprimè Necessarii. Venice: Ex Officina Damiani Zenari, 1580. [xxxviii], 217, [1] ff. Final leaf blank. Main text in parallel columns. Folio (11-1/2" x 8-1/4").

Contemporary paneled pigskin with elaborate blind tooling and beveled edges, raised bands to spine, early hand-lettered title to spine, clasps lacking. Light soiling to spine, some minor scratches and a few minor scuffs and stains to boards, rear board slightly bowed, spine ends bumped, minor tears to joints at head of spine, a few tiny worm holes to front joint at foot, large armorial bookplate (of the Bavarian Ducal Library dated 1618) to front pastedown. Joints starting, some worming to pastedowns, minor worming to margins of preliminaries, crack in text block between front free endpaper and title page, faint dampstaining along crack, light toning to text, slightly heavier in places. \$1,500.

* "New edition," enlarged with a "third book," the final edition of this work. Ancharano was a renowned Italian jurist and commentator on canon and Roman law. As indicated by its title, *Familiarium Iuris* is an extensive study of domestic relations in Roman and canon law. Its "Liber Primus" was published in 1563. A two-part edition followed in 1569. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE1676. [Order This Item](#)



A Fundamental Guide to Roman Abbreviations

26. Probus, Marcus Velerius [c.20/30-105CE].

Philiscus (Pseudonym).

Bonardi, Giovanni [active 15th c.], Editor.

Aurispa, Giovanni [1376-1459], Translator (of Philiscus).

De Interpretandis Romanorum Litteris Opusculum. Phylisci; Cosolatoria Marco Cicroni Colloquenti Prestita dum in Macedonia Exultaret per Ioannem Aurispame Graeco in Latinum Traducta. [Rome: Giacomo Mazzocchi, April 25, 1509]. [20] ff. Quarto (8-1/4" x 6").

Recent quarter vellum over early thick paste boards, pastedowns, one of which is loose, from a later leaf dated 1593. Negligible light soiling and edgewear, a few faint early annotations (probably bleed-through from a sheet of paper) to front cover. Moderate toning, somewhat heavier in places, light foxing to a few leaves, page numbers added in recent faint pencil. \$1,500.

* Also known as Probus Grammaticus, Marcus Valerius Probus was a Roman grammarian and critic. *De Interpretandis Romanarum* is a fundamental guide to abbreviations used in Roman texts and inscriptions. First printed in the fifteenth century, it was an invaluable guide to humanist scholars. Three of its sections contain abbreviations relating to legal matters under the heading "Littere Singulares in Iure Civili de Legibus & Plebiscitis": "In Legibus Actionibus Hec," "On Editis Perpetuis" and "Lex ex Tabellis Divum de Refutaria. Sacra Lex." The final section is a consoling letter on the subject of exile from Philiscus to Cicero, who was then in Exile in Macedonia. A rhetorical masterpiece, and thus an object for study, it was originally written in Greek. OCLC locates 5 copies of this imprint in North America (Harvard, UCLA, UNC-Chapel Hill, University of Pennsylvania, Washington University, St. Louis). Not in Adams. *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE30277. [Order This Item](#)



Humanistic Commentaries on the First and Second Parts of the *Infortiatum*

27. Riva di San Nazarro,

Gianfrancesco [c.1480-1535] (Ripa, Giovanni Francesco da).

In Primam, & Secundam Infortiati Partem Commentaria: Quibus Quid Nuper Accesserit, Quod Hactenus in Caeteris Prioribus Editionibus Desiderabatur, Facile Studioso Lectori Patebit, Si Maximam Diligentiam tum in Conferendis his Nostris cum Vetustissimis Codicibus, Tum vel Maxime in Castigandis Gravissimis Erroribus, Quibus Singulae Scatebat Pagellae, Nunc Adhibitam Perpendat. Communes item Doctorum Sententiae ab Autore Passim Citatae non Inutiliter cur Animus, Ut sub Varia Literarum Figura cum hac Nota [pointing hand] Demonstrantur. Venice: Apud Iuntas, 1575. 143 ff. Main text in parallel columns.

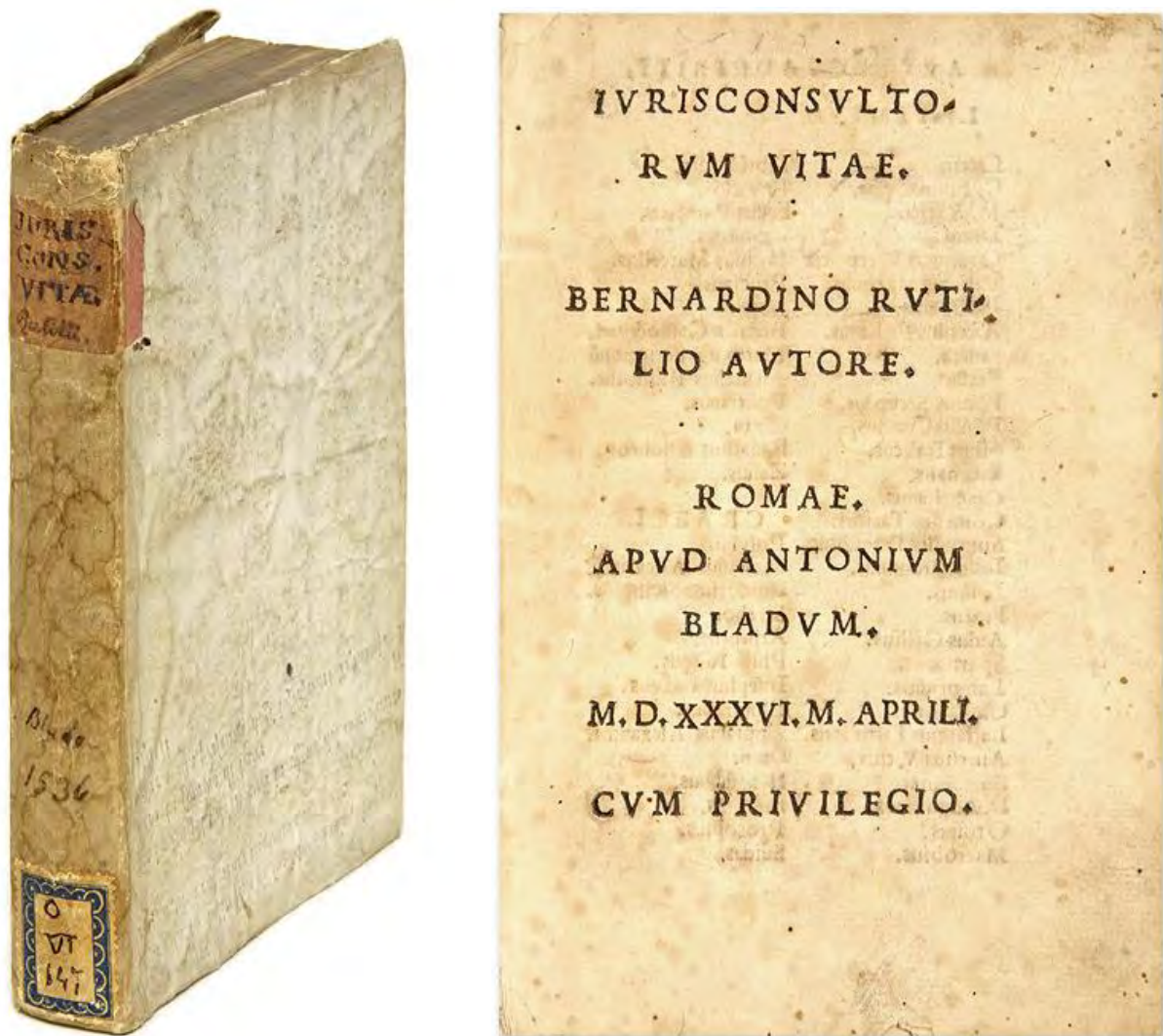
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Riva di San Nazarro, Gianfrancesco. (Ripa, Giovanni Francesco da).

Repertorium in Omnia Opera Praestantissimi Iurisconsulti D. Ioannis Francisci Ripae à S. Nazario, Papiensis, Ordine Elementario Singulas Quasunque tum Verborum, Tum Rerum Memorabilium Materias, Ita Facile ac Breviter Demonstrans, Ut Nihil Ultra Studiosus Lector Desiderare Possit. Venice: Apud Iuntas, 1575. 56 ff. Main text in parallel columns.

Folio (16-1/2" x 11"). Contemporary vellum, raised bands and calligraphic title to spine, ties lacking. Light rubbing, some staining and minor worming to boards, rubbing to extremities with wear to spine bands, spine ends and corners, which are bumped, front pastedown loose, some worming to hinges and rear pastedown. Each title page features large woodcut Giunta device in architectural border. Moderate toning, minor dampstaining and foxing in a few places, early owner inscription to front free endpaper. Ex-private (?) library. Tiny inkstamp to foot of title page of *Repertorium*. \$2,000.

* Later editions. Riva di San Nazarro, a Lombard noble, was a learned jurist and humanist scholar. His many works, all commentaries on aspects of Roman and canon law, went through several editions and were often excerpted and anthologized. The two titles in this volume are from a deluxe series published by Giunta in 1575-1576. (All but the *Repertorium* are bibliographically distinct.) The *Repertorium* is an index to this set. *In Primam, & Secundam Infortiati* is a commentary on the books from the *Digest* of the *Corpus Iuris Civilis* concerning aspects of personal and family law, such as donations between husband and wife, divorce, curatorship, wills and testaments and trusts and legacies. (The Medieval Glossators divided the 50 books of the *Digest* into three parts: *Digestum Vetus*, I-XXIV, Title 2, *Infortiatum*, XXIV, Title 3-XXXVIII, and *Digestum Novum*, XXXIX-L. This division was observed into the early modern era.) *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE36378, CNCE36379. [Order This Item](#)



Humanistic Biographies of the Great Jurists of Ancient Rome

28. Rutilio, Bernardino [1504-1538].

Iuris Consultorum Vitae. Rome: Apud Antonium Bladum, 1536. [xvi], CCCLXVII, [1] pp. Octavo 6" x 4" (15 x 10 cm).

Contemporary limp boards, later hand-lettered title to spine. Light soiling, moderate rubbing to extremities, spine darkened, hinges cracked, upper section lacking from front free endpaper, which is pasted to front pastedown. Light toning to text, somewhat heavier in places, brief early annotations throughout, minor worming to a few leaves, light soiling to title page. \$1,500.

* First edition. Rutilio was Italian jurist and humanist. He was also one of the first authors to compile biographies of lawyers. *Iurisconsultorum Vitae* describes the lives and achievements of 77 Roman jurists, from Papirius to Tribonian. Distinguished by its discerning criticism and careful use of sources, the work was well-received. It went through later editions in 1537, 1538, 1539, 1545, 1584 and 1718. All editions are scarce. OCLC locates 2 copies of the first edition in North America (University of Minnesota Law School, Yale). *Censimento Nazionale delle Edizioni Italiane del XVI Secolo* CNCE24161. [Order This Item](#)



Uncommon Collection of Legal Tracts

29. Solsona, Francisco de, Editor.

De Laudimiis Tractatus Auctorum, Qui Hactenus in ea Commentarios Conscripserunt, Nova hac Editione, Non Solum Mendis Expurgati, Et Politiorebus Redditi Characteribus, Sed Etiam Utilibus Notis Exornati, Et de Manuscriptis Principue Francisci Solsonae Nitore Pristino Restituti; Praemissa Suerunt Capitibus, Quae Antea Desiderabantur Summaria, Tumq; Subiectae ad Unamquamq; Amaedei Quaest. Elaboratae Car. Ant. Blancardi Adnotationes. His Accesserunt Indices Opportuni Quaestionum, Et Rerum Memorabilium. Quibus Singula Facile ad Materiam Attinentia Reperientur. Turin: Apud H.H. Io. Dominici Tarini, 1629. [xii] pp., 288 ff., [48] pp. Folio (14" x 9").

Contemporary vellum, gilt titles on colored background to spine. Light shelfwear, some soiling and spotting to spine, boards slightly bowed, partial crack between front free endpaper and title page. Title page in red and black with large copperplate printer device, woodcut head-piece, tail-piece and decorated initials. Wear, small chips and minor worming to margins of some leaves with no loss to text, occasional faint dampstaining to foot of text block. Light foxing and toning in places. A nice copy of an uncommon title. \$500.

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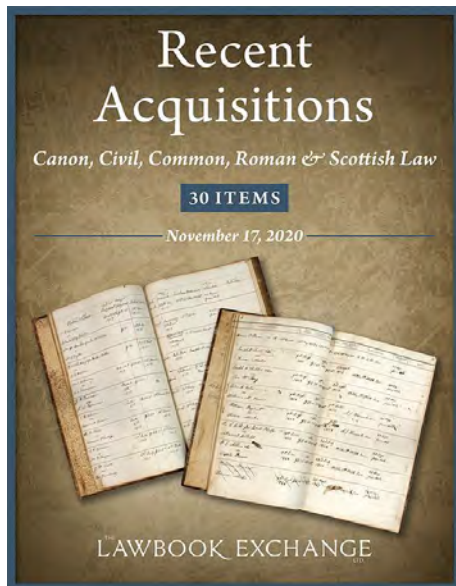
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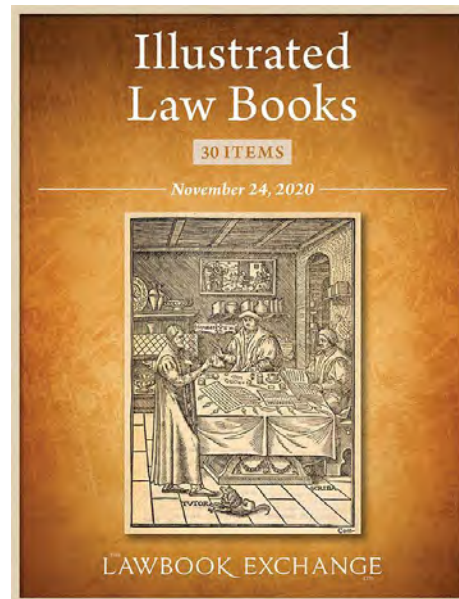
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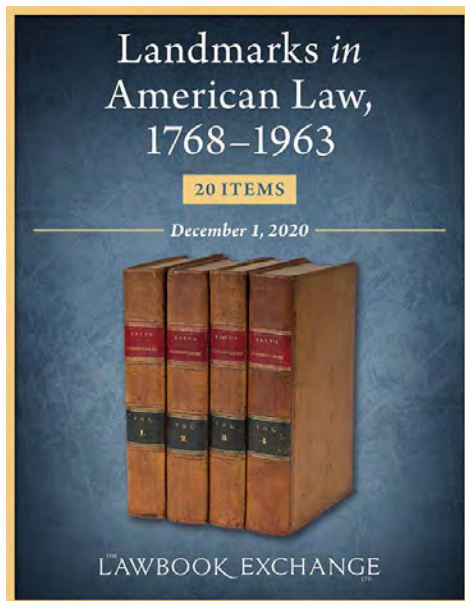
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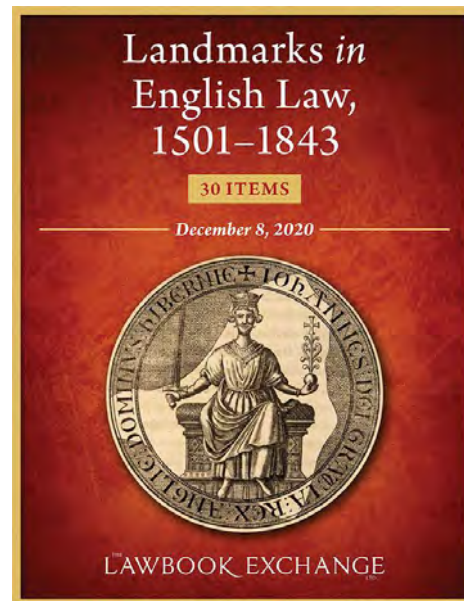
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