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# CAPInv. 1397: **koinon ton kapelon**

## I. LOCATION

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| i. | **Geographical area** | Egypt |
| ii. | **Nome** | Oxyrhynchites (U19) |
| iii. | **Site** | Oxyrhynchus |

## II. NAME

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| i. | **Full name (original language)** | κοινόν τῶν καπήλῳ |
| ii. | **Full name (transliterated)** | koinon ton kapelon |

## III. DATE

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| i. | **Date(s)** | 312 - 326 AD |

## IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| ii. | **Name elements** | Professional: |
| iii. | **Descriptive terms** | koinon |

## V. SOURCES

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| i. | **Source(s)** | P.Oxy. LIV 3740 (27 Sep. AD 312)<br>P.Oxy. LIV 3762 (AD 326?) |
| | **Online Resources** | P.Oxy. LIV 3740 = TM 15244<br>P.Oxy. LIV 3762 = TM 15271 |
| i.a. | **Source type(s)** | Papyrological source(s) |
| i.b. | **Document(s) typology & language/script** | Price declaration; Greek |

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| **i.c. Physical format(s)** | 3740: papyrus document containing four price declarations (P.Oxy. LIV 3737-3740); written on other side is P.Oxy. LIV 3758, a report of proceedings before a *logistes*, dating to 325.<br><br>3762: part of a roll measuring 33x24.5 cm that contains parts of five declarations, of which four are published as P.Oxy. LIV 3760-3763; editor claims first one is too fragmentary and the association of 3763 is unclear. The text is not a *tomos synkollesimos*. |

## VII. ORGANIZATION

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| **ii. Leadership** | 3740: μηνιάρχαι *meniarchai*, two in number apparently, l.10: Aurelius Theodorus, son of Sarapion, and Aurelius Diodorus, son of Dionysios (ll. 8-10; 19).<br><br>3762: likely *meniarchai*, two in number apparently, given the similarities between this and other documents; no title is included in 3762 for Aurelius Ammon (l.17) although ll. 6-8 where his name and title would appear are fragmentary and difficult to read. |

## IX. MEMBERSHIP

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| **vi. Proper names and physical features** | 3740: Aurelius Theodorus, son of Sarapion, and Aurelius Diodorus, son of Dionysios (ll. 8-10; 19).<br><br>3762: Aurelius Ammon |

## XI. INTERACTION

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| **i. Local interaction** | official interaction; association acting on behalf of the group representing them before the authorities |

## XII. NOTES

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| **iii. Bibliography** | Bagnall, R. S. (2000) 'Governmental roles in the economy of late antiquity', in E. Lo Cascio and D. Rathbone (eds.) *Production and Public Powers in Classical Antiquity*. Cambridge: 86-91 (esp. 89-90)<br>Coles, R. Appendix II, P. Oxy. LIV: 230-232 |

## XIII. EVALUATION

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| **i. Private association** | Certain |
| **Note** | The associative terminology and the apparently necessary declaration suggests that this was an association; private here because, in spite of the nature of the declaration itself, there is nothing here to suggest that this group was other than voluntary (although state compulsion may be something else entirely). |


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