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CAPInv. 407: he synodos ton techtonon

I. LOCATION

i.	**Geographical area**	Western Asia Minor
ii.	**Region**	Lydia
iii.	**Site**	Saittai

II. NAME

i.	**Full name (original language)**	ἡ σύνοδος τῶν τεκτόνων (SEG 29: 1186, ll. 4-5)
ii.	**Full name (transliterated)**	*he synodos ton techtonon*

III. DATE

i.	**Date(s)**	165 / 166 AD

IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii.	**Name elements**	Professional: the carpenters
iii.	**Descriptive terms**	σύνοδος, *synodos*
	Note	*synodos*: SEG 29: 1186, l. 4

V. SOURCES

i.	**Source(s)**	SEG 29: 1186 (165/6 AD)
	Note	See also: Dittmann-Schöne III.3.25
	Online Resources	SEG 29: 1186
i.a.	**Source type(s)**	Epigraphic source(s)

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i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Funerary inscription dedicated by the guild to a slave of L. Octavius Pollion, member of an important family in north-east Lydia. Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble stele with pediment
ii. Source(s) provenance	Saittai

VII. ORGANIZATION

viii. Obligations	The association probably had some funerary obligations towards its members, or other members of the community.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i. Treasury/Funds	The association must have funds in order to bury or erect funerary inscriptions to its members.

IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	The only possible member attested is a man 23 years and 9 months old.
iv. Status	The person honoured by the funerary inscription is a slave of a well known family in north-east Lydia. He is probably a member of the association. For the rarity of slaves as traders or craftsmen in epitaphs cf. van Nijf 1997: 42.

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	Only funerary activity is attested. On funerary activities of professional associations cf. van Nijf 1997: 38-69.

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The fact that the deceased is a slave of an important family in the region could mean that the association had some sort of local interaction.

XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography	Bakir-Barthel, S., and Müller, H. (1979), 'Inschriften aus der umgebung von Saittai, (II)', *ZPE* 36: 163-94, esp. 167, no. 28. Dittmann-Schöne, I. (2010), *Die Berufsvereine in den Städten des kaiserzeitlichen Kleinasiens*. 2nd. ed. Regensburg: 204. van Nijf, O. (1997), *The civic world of professional associations in the Roman East*. Amsterdam: 38-69.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	It is a craftmanship association.

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