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## CAPInv. 671: *he synodos ton systratiton*

### I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area Egypt

### II. NAME

i. Full name (original language) ἡ σύνοδος τῶν συστρατιωτῶν (P.Ryl. IV 580, l. 6)

ii. Full name (transliterated) *he synodos ton systratiton*

### III. DATE

i. Date(s) i BC

### IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements

Professional:	<i>systratitotai</i> (army)
Status-related:	<i>systratitotai</i> (army)

iii. Descriptive terms

σύνοδος, *synodos*

Note *synodos*: P.Ryl. IV 580, l. 6

### V. SOURCES

i. Source(s) P.Ryl. IV 580 (15 Mesore = 22 August 78 BC, or less likely 14 August 49 BC or 9 August 27 BC)

Online Resources [P.Ryl. IV 580](#)  
[TM 5299](#)

i.a. Source type(s) Papyrological source(s)

i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script Greek document of assignment of burial benefits (*symbolon taphikou*) of Herakleides, a member of a soldiers association, to an unnamed recipient.

i.c. Physical format(s) Double document (with *scriptura interior* and *exterior*) on papyrus.

## VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	σύμβολον, <i>symbolon</i> (ll. 1, 9) ταφικόν, <i>taphikon</i> (ll. 1, [5])
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## VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	The προστάτης, <i>prostates</i> , was called Epiphanes (ll. 7, 10). He approved the assignment of burial benefits (l. 10).
iv. Officials	The association had a γραμματεύς, <i>grammateus</i> , whose name was Apion. He approved the present document (l. 11).
ix. Privileges	It seems that the members had the right to a burial indemnity (ταφικόν, <i>taphikon</i> , l. 1), which could be assigned or bequeathed to third parties: on the juridical matters pertaining to the practice, cf. Wolff 1956: 735-40. In the present text the amount for the indemnity is 100 drachmae.

## VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i. Treasury/Funds	Given the fact that upon the death of a member burial indemnities would be disbursed, the association had at their disposal and administered funds.
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## IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	Given the military character of the association, the members were men.
iii. Age	Adults
Note	Since this is a soldiers association, it was made up of adults.
iv. Status	The members of the association were fellow (active?) soldiers.
vi. Proper names and physical features	Ἡρακλεῖδης Ἐπιφανὴς προστάτης Ἀπίων γραμματεὺς

## XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography	Wolff, H. J. (1956), 'Neue Quellen zum Zessionsrecht der Papyri', in <i>Studi in onore di Ugo Enrico Paoli</i> , Firenze: 725-740.
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### XIII. EVALUATION

#### i. Private association

Certain

##### Note

The terminology used (*synodos*), the internal organisation, the officials, and the dealings in which the group was involved (burial benefits) make it certain that we have here a private association.