

Book X.  
Title L.

Those who are exempt on account of age.  
(Qui aetate se excusant.)

10.50.1. Emperors Diocletian and Maximian to Severinus and other scholastic Arabians.  
Since you state that you are occupied in studying the liberal arts, and especially law, while you are staying in the city of Berytus, in the province of Phoenicia, we direct, taking into consideration the public good as well as your hopes, that none of you shall be called away from your studies till the age of twenty-five.

10.50.2. The same Emperors to Theodorus.  
Since you state that your sons, freed from paternal control, are under legal age, you justly ask that they shall not be called away from their study of the liberal arts. They shall not, accordingly, be forced to perform personal liturgies, which are not a burden upon property, if there is no dearth of citizens.

10.50.3. The same Emperors to Protelous.  
It is clearly the law that persons over fifty-five years of age cannot be compelled, against their will, to perform personal municipal liturgies. 1. Since, therefore, you say that you are more than seventy years of age, you can, if you have been nominated (to perform a personal liturgy) and you have appealed, protect your right granted you by law, upon investigation before the president of the province.