

Book X.  
Title XXXIII.

If a freedman or slave aspires to become decurion.  
(Si libertus aut servus ad decurionatum adspiraverit.)

10.33.1. Emperors Diocletian and Maximian to Saturninus.

If a freedman has not obtained the right of the golden ring or has not been restored to his birthright,<sup>1</sup> the president of the province will not alone not permit him to take part in the curia, but will also avenge doing so by visiting proper punishment upon him, proportionate to the severity of the law.

10.33.2. The same Emperors to Areina.

If the president of the province finds out that the person functioning as aedile,<sup>2</sup> is your slave, and he is satisfied that the slave aspired to the aedileship knowing his condition, he shall visit proper punishment upon him for having tarnished the curial dignity by servile stain. But if his mother was, by public opinion, considered free, and he took the honor as a son of a decurion, through mistake, he will (only) be subjected to your power (as a slave).

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<sup>1</sup> [Blume] For these rights, see C. 6.8.

<sup>2</sup> [Blume] As to his general duties, see headnote C. 10.32 (1).