

Book XII.  
Title XIII.

Concerning the counts and chief physicians (archiater) of the imperial palace.  
(De comitibus et archiateris sacri palatii.)

12.13.1. Emperor Honorius and Theodosius to Priscianus, City Prefect.

We direct that the physicians, serving within the palace, if ennobled by the title of count of the first order, shall, whether they have already or shall hereafter quit their service, be numbered among the vicars, so that there shall be no difference in rank between vicars and dukes who have officiated in the office and those who have received the countship of the first order, except as to the time during which they respectively administered the office or received the insignia of the countship.<sup>1</sup>

Given at Constantinople March 21 (413).

C. Th. 6.16.1.

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<sup>1</sup> [Blume] i.e. the person who received his honors first took precedence only because of that fact, and in no other respect.