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Roman citizens in Latin non-military documents from 2nd-century Egypt

The problem of identifying Roman citizens in Egyptian documents dated before the Constitutio Antoniniana and the connection between the use of Latin and Roman citizenship is still of great relevance in historical studies of the province.

Taking into account the loss of many papyrus texts from Alexandria, the best represented (probably over-represented, as distinguished scholars have shown) social group in Egyptian documents is the military; this is true even if one does not consider military documents themselves. The paper will offer an overview of non-military Latin documents from the 2nd century, with a focus on the main document types related to the possession of civitas.