

# Honorific statue for Cassius [cf. ELA id: 407]

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### Ath.Agora 3 95 and 208 no. 262, Dio Cass. 47, 20, 4

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**Translations** 

**Images** 

## Description

Date

44-43 BCE

**Period:** 1st century BCE --> second half

Reasons: historical context, prosopography

**Notes:** 

The dedication of a statue to Cassius should be placed at the times of Cassius' and Brutus' flight from Rome to the East after Caesar's murder or soon after.

Text category

honorific dedication (tabula honoraria)

Notes:

We may presume that the formula of the honorific dedication for Cassius paralleled that one set up for Brutus at the same moment (SEG 17, 75 = ELA id: 407). The monument for Cassius was thus probably awarded by the Demos of Athens.

Monument description

Monument type: base

Notes:

Dio Cass. 47, 20, 4 reported that both Brutus and Cassius were granted bronze images in Athens near those of Harmodios and



Aristogeiton, being thus compared to the Tyrannicides and regarded as heroes. It is not clear if Cassius actually visited the city along with Brutus (Habicht 1995 (2 éd., 2006) 391-392 believe so), but the two were certainly honoured side by side in the "asty". Cf. Raubitschek 1959 21 on the possibility that the Athenians only reinscribed the bases of one of the two groups portaiting Harmodios and Aristogeiton in honour of Brutus and Cassius.

Physical features

Signs of reuse: Perhaps reused "in situ" for Cassius (?)

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Circumstances: literary source

#### Original location

Agora --> Northern sector --> Groups of the Tyrannicides (by the)

✓ uncertain

#### **Notes:**

Cf. SEG 17, 75 = ELA id: 407; Krumeich - Witschel 2009 208-209

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