

the original single sheet of the charter¹⁶. It is, therefore, understandable that the wider world of Ottonian scholarship has taken little notice of the find¹⁷. And even local Landesgeschichte, which has taken considerable interest in the discovery of a photo of the lost original of D O II 143¹⁸ – another Worms charter, which Sickel had only known from later copies – has yet to engage with it¹⁹.

The only substantial discussion to date is to be found buried within a footnote to Harmut Hoffmann's review article of Wolfgang Huschner's Habilitationsschrift, at the point where he discusses Huschner's arguments regarding BA and Bruno. Here Hoffmann draws attention to the existence of the original, noting its modern archival signature (München, Geheimes Hausarchiv, Mannheimer Urkunden, Hessen-Darmstadt 1). He also observes that it would represent BA's last surviving work, were Sickel to be right about its authorship. According to Hoffmann, however, the charter does not belong to BA at all; rather, it is the product of another notary, perhaps Hildibald B (HB), a leading draftsman-scribe of the later 970s and 980s²⁰. HB enjoyed close ties

16) Ergänzungen zu den MGH DD Karol. 1 und Imp. Germ. 1 und 2, O.I.161, https://data.mgh.de/databases/dderg/bin/dderg_db_search.xql?id=dderg01837 (accessed 14.09.2022).

17) See, e.g., Hermann WEISERT, *Die offizielle Titulatur der Herrscher und die Bezeichnungen für das Reich in der Zeit von 911 bis 973*, 2 vols. (Diss., Heidelberg 1953) 2, p. 25 n. 115, attributing the unusual *apprecatio* of this document to the „Schuld des Kopisten“; Michael GOCKEL / Elsbet ORTH / Fred SCHWIND, Frankfurt, in: *Die deutschen Königspfalzen. Repertorium der Pfalzen, Königshöfe und übrigen Aufenthaltsorte der Könige im deutschen Reich des Mittelalters 1: Hessen (1983–1996)* p. 131–455, at p. 233 (n. 89), designating D O I 161 as „cop. s. XII. und XVIII.“ rather than „org.“ (as DD O I 159 and 160); Wolfgang HUSCHNER, *Transalpine Kommunikation im Mittelalter. Diplomatische, kulturelle und politische Wechselwirkungen zwischen Italien und dem nordalpinen Reich (9.–11. Jahrhundert)*, 3 pts (Schriften der MGH 52, 2003) p. 155 n. 631, speaking of the „im original überlieferten D O. I. 160“ in contrast with the „abschriftlich tradierten D O. I. 161“. I also failed to take note of the original until recently: ROACH, *Forgery and Memory* (as n. 9) p. 24, 42; IDEM, „Chancery“ of Otto I (as n. 8) p. 49f. n. 149.

18) *Mosbacher Urkundenbuch. Stadt und Stift im Mittelalter*, hg. von Konrad KRIMM (1986) p. 2f. n. 1; Wilfrid RÖSSLING / Hansmartin SCHWARZMAIER, *Unverrückbar für alle Zeiten. Tausendjährige Schriftzeugnisse in Baden-Württemberg* (1992) p. 86f.

19) See, e.g., BÜTTNER, *Ladenburg* (as n. 6) p. 91; Andreas Urban FRIEDMANN, *Die Beziehungen der Bistümer Worms und Speyer zu den ottonischen und salischen Königen (Quellen und Forschungen zu mittelrheinischen Kirchengeschichte 72, 1994)* p. 40f.; KOHL / FELTEN, *Worms* (as n. 7) p. 122.

20) Hartmut HOFFMANN, *Notare, Kanzler und Bischöfe am ottonischen Hof*, DA 61 (2005) p. 435–480, at p. 451 n. 55.