

1343 - 1348 : WILLS OF CATARINA AND BETA ≠ MARCO POLO
 putantes in tota pecunia contenta in suprascripta sententie carta. Ad hec quoque
 Testificamur Nos panthaleo brusca & godus marangonus ambo precones quod Nos
 tunc ad curiam fuimus quando suprascriptus dominus noster dux per legem Judi-
 cum ipsam inuesticionem ad proprium poni precepit Et cum Eodem ministeriali
 ibidem fuimus quando ipse de mandato suprascripti domini nostri ducis & per
 legem iudicum ipsam inuesticionem ad proprium posuit ad nomen suprascripti
 ser Marci paulo super cuntam et super totam suprascriptam partem dicte pro-
 prietatis terre et case cooperte & discooperte propter suprascriptam sententie
 Cartam. Hec per testimonium dicimus. Signum suprascriptorum petri vendelino
 ministerialis Et panthaleonis Brusca atque Godi marangoni preconum testium.
 Qui Hec fieri Rogauerunt.

Ego bercucius de chanali iudex manu mea subscripsi

Ego Auancius Presbiter sancte sophie Notarius compleui & Roboravi

(Archivio di Stato. Cancellaria inferiore b. 4—Register of Avancio di S. Sofia, fasc. 14.)

49. Will of Catarina dala Fontana 26 September 1343.

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Will (Copy in the Notary's Register, parchment):

(*Begins in the usual form; 26 September 1343*) . . . Ego Catarina relicta domini Johannis
 dala Fontana de confinio sancti Pantaleonis . . . constituo & esse uolo mee fidei
 commissarios ser Marcum paulo generum meum dilectum de confinio sancti
 Johannis grisostomi & Petrum dala fontana ac Marcum dala fontana peramabiles
 filios meos de suprascripto confinio sancti Pantaleonis . . . dimitto domino Marino
 natal fratri meo . . . sorori biriole . mee sorori . . . sorori marie natal mee sorori
 . . . Jacobine acotanto mee sorori . . . Cecilie mee sorori . . .

(Archivio di Stato. Testamenti b. 1063 — Register of Bertutio Pandin No. 56. *Index*,
 ibidem, under C.)

Note: There is no mention of the daughter who was Marco Polo's wife, who was therefore
 perhaps already dead. But Beta, Marco Polo's second wife, whom ORLANDINI supposed
 to be a dalla Fontana, was certainly alive. Nor is there any mention of Agnesina and Cristina
 who in that case would have been this lady's grand-daughters. Therefore it may seem to be
 more likely that Marco Polo's first wife, Maria, was the daughter of Johannes and Catarina
 dalla Fontana, though proof of this is lacking.

50. Will of Beta Polo (14 March 1350) 20 April 1346.

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Will (Copy in the Notary's Register—*This is the ratification, dated 14 March
 1350, by the Doge Andrea Dandolo of a will left incomplete owing to the sudden
 death of the Notary.*):