

Chat GPT 5.2 Thinking

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Today I am researching a legal case in Valencia in 1387. It has to do with a young woman who was an heiress of Bernat Vines. Her name was Bernardona. She might have been very young and still a girl. Her father died and for some reason the King of the Crown of Aragon, Joan I, wrote to the Governor of Valencia about her custody in early 1387, including a specific letter on April 3, 1387. It seems that two men had custody of Bernardona and their names were Garcia de Loris and Francesc Vines. Francesc Vines might have been an uncle to Bernardona. Joan I ordered these two men to hand over Bernardona to the Governor of Valencia, Mossen Aznar. I would like to know if this case has been discussed in any secondary literature published by academic publishers. Can you find any mention of it in academic journals or monographs?

I'm going to search across digitized scholarship for combinations of Bernardona/Bernat Vines, García de Loris, Francesc Vines, Aznar/Aznar Pardo, and the April 3, 1387 custody order, then verify any hits against the archival context.

The exact personal names are not surfacing in general web search yet, so I'm widening to Valencian legal-history scholarship and prosopographical works around guardianship, inheritance, and Governor Aznar/Aznar Pardo.

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I searched for this case under the names **Bernardona**, **Bernat/Francesc Vines** or **Vinyes**, **García de Loris**, and **Aznar Pardo**, in Spanish, Catalan, and English combinations. I did **not** find a clear secondary-source discussion of the **specific custody case of Bernardona, heiress of Bernat Vines, in April 1387**.

What I *did* find is this:

The official you identify as **Mossèn Aznar Pardo de la Casta** is securely attested in the scholarship as a major royal officer in Valencia under Joan I. One recent study on municipal politics states that **Aznar Pardo de la Casta was confirmed as governor of the kingdom of Valencia in 1388**, and another scholarly discussion identifies him as a person who **was governor of Valencia in 1387**.

I also found secondary literature confirming that **García de Loris** was an important noble/royal figure in the Valencian sphere, though not in connection with Bernardona. Antoni Furió notes that **Almussafes was granted to García de Loris in 1349**, and other historical work places him in high-level political/legal settings in Valencia and Xàtiva.

So the names and political setting you gave are plausible and well grounded in the period, but the **Bernardona custody dispute itself does not appear to have surfaced in the academic monographs/articles I was able to locate online.**

The most likely explanation is that this is one of those cases preserved in the **royal chancery register** but never singled out for discussion in published scholarship. That possibility is strengthened by the fact that the Crown of Aragon archive's Juan I materials are catalogued in DARA, which points toward chancery-level documentation even when later historians have not analyzed an individual letter.

My best assessment is:

- **Direct secondary-literature hit on Bernardona's case:** none found.
- **Secondary literature on the officials involved:** yes, for **Aznar Pardo** and **García de Loris**.
- **Probable status of the case:** known from archival correspondence, but likely **not yet discussed explicitly** in published academic work.

A productive next move would be to identify the exact **ACA register and folio** for the **3 April 1387** letter and then check whether any regesta, editions, or articles citing that folio exist. That is probably the fastest route to finding whether the case has ever been noticed in print.

Need to make changes?

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