

**Summary****FROM THE OLD CZECH DICTIONARY: *POTEJDYCH***

The oldest Czech words from the 13<sup>th</sup> century include among others a legal term *potejdych* (derived from the Middle German *banteiding*, ‘judicial proceeding’); it leaves totally later. It is used as an equivalent of the Middle Latin *iudicium maius*. We define it as an iudicial power for judging of the hard crimes heard at the appointed day.

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