

MS. GALL. QUART. 38

#### Binding:

Binding made of red leather, richly gilded, original, French: marbled paper as well as the ornaments on the spine are made in the French style – cf. Wolfe (pl. XXIII, n<sup>o</sup> 1) with reference to the marbled paper, and Macchi (pp. 86, 124, 142, fourth reproduction from the right) with reference to the style of ornaments on the spine.

#### History:

One of the filigrees allows to date the paper to the year 1717. On the other hand, on fol. 60r<sup>o</sup>, in the margin note, written by the hand of the copyist, there is the date of 19<sup>th</sup> April 1727, which enables to assume that the manuscript was made at the beginning of the second quarter of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The filigree indicates that the paper was made in the Parisian environment. In addition to this, considering the character of the texts conveyed in the manuscript, it might have been made in Ile-de-France, in the environment of the king of France. The manuscript was incorporated in Königlische Bibliothek in Berlin before 1828.

#### Content:

With reference to the circumstances of the origin of the text, character of the work and the aim established by the author cf. *Préface* (fol. 3r<sup>o</sup>-4v<sup>o</sup>). The dictionary was edited by one of the officials. The author follows alphabetical order. Every entry, containing a particular word, is accompanied by various acts which refer to it. The historical part is worth attention. This is probably just a regular copy and not the original. This dictionary is also retained (?) in the manuscript 459 at Bibliothèque de l'Arsenal in Paris; it has similar sizes, also comes from the 18<sup>th</sup> century and it formerly belonged to marquis de Paulmy («Jurisprudence, n<sup>o</sup> 579»). Other manuscripts have not been found. This dictionary probably had not been published in print. With reference to this manuscript cf. Lemm, p. 17.