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CORRUPTION AND ANTI-CORRUPTION MEASURES IN SERBIA DURING THE NEMANJIC ERA

Summary: The existence of corruption is closely related to the existence of the state. It is necessary to study the phenomenon of corruption from the beginning of a particular state. In this case, the study of corruption in Serbia should begin from the reign of the Nemanjic dynasty. Brief analysis of social structures, legal system, and anticorruption measures, as well as corruption manifestations in mediavel Serbia, indicates that social system per se were generators of corruption, based on class inequalities, was in itself a risk factor for corruption. This was certainly mitigated by anti-corruption measures incorporated into secular and ecclesiastical law, whose individual solutions can be compared to modern anti-corruption measures.

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