

2007 Researcher of the Year Dr. Donald J. Kagay

Dr. Donald J. Kagay is an expert in medieval legal and military history, with a specialty in the medieval Crown of Aragon (Eastern Spain). He received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Southern Methodist University, and his Ph.D. from Fordham University. His scholarship includes the publication of three books, eight essay collections, and 29 refereed articles.

In 1994, the University of Pennsylvania published Dr. Kagay's most significant scholarly contribution, a translation of a major medieval law code under the title *The Usatges of Barcelona: The Fundamental Law of Catalonia*. The book has also received electronic publication in the *Library of Iberian Resources Online*. His second book, *The Customs of Catalonia between Lords and Vassals of Pere Albert, Barcelona Canon: A Practical Guide to Feudal Relations in Medieval Spain*, was published by the Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies in 2002. His third book, *War, Government, and Society in the Medieval Crown of Aragon* (a collection of 13 journal articles), was published by Ashgate in 2007. Dr. Kagay is currently at work on a massive project dealing with one of the most significant Iberian military conflicts of the later Middle Ages, the War of the Two Pedros (1356-1366).

In addition to his publication career, Dr. Kagay has also presented several dozen conference papers and organized numerous panels at a variety of medieval conferences, including the Medieval Congress at Kalamazoo, Michigan. He is co-founder of two scholarly organizations - *The Texas Medieval Association (TEMA)* and *De Re Militari* (the latter dedicated to the study of warfare in the Middle Ages).

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