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Abbreviations

ACA	City Archives of Antwerp (FelixArchief) CERT: <i>Certificatieboeken</i> IB: <i>Insolvente Boedelskamer</i> N: <i>Notariaat</i> PK: <i>Privilegiekamer</i> V: <i>Vierschaar</i>
ACF	Archivio Corsini di Firenze
AGI	Archivo General de las Indias, Seville
ALC	Private collection of Adrian B. Leonard
APC	Acts of the Privy Council of England
ARB	General Archives of the Realm, Brussels PEA: <i>Papiers d'État et de l'Audience</i>
ASP	Archivio Salviati di Pisa
ASF	Archivio di Stato di Firenze MaP: <i>Mediceo avanti il Principato</i>
BA	Boston Athanaeum
BL	British Library
BOD	Bodleian Library, Oxford
CLRO	Corporation of London Record Office
CPMR	Calendar of Plea and Memoranda Rolls of the City of London (1323–1482)
CSPD	British Calendar of State Papers, Domestic Series
CUL	Cambridge University Library
GAR	Gemeentearchief Rotterdam ONA: <i>Old Notarial Archives</i>
GHL	Guildhall Library, London
HALSC	Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies Centre, Hertford
HSP	Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia
LMA	London Metropolitan Archive
PM	Museum Plantin Moretus, Antwerp
NEHA	Nederlandsch Economisch-Historisch Archief, Amsterdam BC: <i>Bijzondere collecties</i> AUA: <i>Archief (Unidentified) Assurateur</i> ACA: <i>Archief Commissarissen Assurantie</i>

- NYHS New York Historical Society
NYSL New York State Library Archives
NHS Newport Historical Society, Rhode Island
PEM Peabody Essex Museum, Salem
SA Stadsarchief Amsterdam
 ADV: *Archief de Vos*
 NA: *Notarial Archives*
 ASA: *Archief Schout van Assurantiemeesters*
SAA State Archives, Antwerp
 N: *Notariaat*
TNA The National Archives, London
 HCA: *High Court of the Admiralty*
 SP: *State Papers*
 SPD: *State Papers Domestic*
 C: *Chancery*
X Decretales Gregorii noni