

KACINEL (KATZINEL) Maurycy (Moritz) (1888–1942), lawyer, head of the Jewish police, a member of the *Judenrat*. He was born on 29th January 1888 in Vienna, the son of Filip (Fajbisz) (1863-) and Szprinca (1864-) née Gallus.

In 1906, he graduated from a gimnazjum in Lwów, after which he studied law at the University of Lwów. During his studies, he belonged to the Society for the Promotion of Polish Science. He gained a doctorate in law

During World War I, he served in the (Austrian?) army. In the Polish Army, he was confirmed as Legal Captain (with seniority from 1st June 1919). He belonged to the No.4 District Officers Team and was assigned to the District Supplementary Command in Kalisz.

Until October 1926, he worked as a lawyer in Częstochowa. He later moved his office to Kalisz. (In 1927, his office was located at ul. Wrocławska 13 and, in 1933, at ul. Warszawska 1).

At the beginning of the German occupation, at the end of November 1939, he was forcibly removed from Kalisz and moved, with his family, to Częstochowa. He was head of the Jewish Police station in Częstochowa. At the beginning of 1940, he was co-opted onto the Council of Elders (*Judenrat*), in place of those dismissed for sabotaging the work. He headed the Council's Finance Department. He did not belong to any party. During the liquidation of the Częstochowa ghetto, he died on 28th October 1942 (at ul. Katedralna 8).

In his marriage to Rywa née Rajchman (1892–1942), the daughter of Salomon and Gitla née Bromberg, he had a son Romana (1924–1942).

Adwokaci regionu częstochowskiego (W. Paszkowski, A. Kuśnierczyk), p. 113. – M. Szachówna, *Kalisz i jego okolica. Przewodnik ilustrowany*, Kalisz 1927, p. 175. – Brener, *Widersztand*, pp. 14, 15. – “Dziennik Urzędowy Ministerstwa Sprawiedliwości” 1926, No. 7, p. 114. – *Rocznik oficerski rezerw 1934*, p. 198. – USC Częstochowa, Jewish record books, death certificates of Maurycy, Roman and Rywka Kacinel, Nos. 3, 4 and 5/1945.

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