καὶ τὸ μᾶλλον λόγῳ ἐξέλειν κρίνεσθαι ἢ ἔργῳ. καὶ τὸ εἰς διαίταν μᾶλλον ἢ εἰς ἄλλην βούλεσθαι ἕναι· ὅ γὰρ διαιτητὴς τὸ ἐπιείκες ὄρθος, ὁ δὲ δικαστὴς τὸν νόμον· καὶ τούτῳ ἐνεξα διαιτητῆς ἐδρέθη, ὅπως τὸ ἐπιείκες ἱσχύῃ. περὶ μὲν οὖν τῶν ἐπιεικῶν διαφύλαξο τὸν τρόπον τούτον.

[...]

[It bids us] settle a dispute by negotiation and not by force; to prefer arbitration to motion—for an arbitrator goes by the equity of a case, a judge by the strict law, and arbitration was invented with the express purpose of securing full power for equity.

[...]