Abstract: By dealing with the problem of the Latin variants of Ps. 87.8 in *in psalm. 87.7* Augustine refers to the *magni auctores Latinae eloquentiae* in order to support *ira* as the better translation of θυμός than *indignatio* and *furor*, which are also be found in the ancient translations of the Psalter. The article aims to identify the *magni auctores Latinae eloquentiae* showing that *ira* as equivalent of θυμός goes back not only to Cicero but widely to a Platonic philosophical background.

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