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Pierre du Thillay, Royal Bailli The outline of Pierre du Thillay's career as royal bailli under Philip Augustus and as founder of the Hôtel-Dieu at Gonesse is now well-known. He first appeared in 1200 with Robert de Meulan as the king's prévôt at Paris. In 1202-1203 he was transferred to the region around Orléans where he collaborated with the bailli Guillaume de la Chapelle hearing pleas and collecting revenues. In 1205 he was named the sole bailli at Caen where he was stationed until at least 1224. (By 1227 he has disappeared from the documents.) Offering two decades of loyal and efficient service to the king in the newly conquered province of Normandy, he was active in holding local assizes, attending the biennial sessions of the Exchequer, executing royal commands, holding inquests, and inventorying fiefs. In 1208 shortly after he entered his Norman post, he made his first donations to the Hôtel-Dieu of Gonesse from ancestral lands close by. This foundation resulted in the celebrated hospital that functions to this day.

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