

Ibn Hajar's Critique of Lenient in Hadith upon the Muslim Transmitters: A Study on 'Abdullah b. Abi Salih (d. 130/744)

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Abstract

The narrator 'Abdullah b. Abi Salih al-Samman is one of the Muslim transmitters (*rijal Muslim*) that has been criticized by the scholars of hadith from the time of al-'Uqaily (d. 323/934) until the Ibn Hajar's (d. 852/1449) period. 'Abdullah narrated two hadith in *Sahih Muslim* and since Muslim b. al-Hajjaj (d. 261/875) placed his narration as the argumentation hadith (*usul al-hadith*), it has invited criticism among the scholars. Many debates among the scholars of hadith in determining 'Abdullah b. Abi Salih's stance and status originated from al-Bukhari's critique of *munkar al-hadith* towards him and concluded by Ibn Hajar's critique of *layyin al-hadith* or lenient in hadith against him. The polemic degraded the canonical status that has been achieved by the *Sahihayn* and has continuously been the subject of much criticism and debate among the scholars during the 14th century until the present time.

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