

Crawford County Probate Records

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The document describes the location of some Probate Court records related to Kinzer family members. The website familysearch.org has made available digitized microfilm records of many Ohio records including the Probate Court records. To access the records, use the link below which will yield a list of available Ohio records.

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list#page=1&countryId=43>

To view Probate Court records, scroll down until you see "Ohio, Probate Records, 1789-1996" and click that link. That will lead to a page that has another link that is something like "Browse through 6,996,317 images"; click on that link. That will produce yet another page with a list of counties; click on "Crawford".

The next page you see will be a list of the various image collections, each representing a digitized microfilm. Clicking on any of the links will bring up an image viewer that will allow you to navigate through the images from the original microfilm. It is important to note that some microfilms contained multiple "volumes", each representing an individual physical record book.

Generally speaking, each volume contains an index at the beginning - one or more pages with surnames names beginning with "A", followed by one or more pages with surnames names beginning with "B", etc. For each name, one or more page numbers will be given where a related record can be found. Some volumes, like the "Trustee and guardian index", contain a more complex index with a page for last names beginning with "A" and first names beginning with "A", followed by page for last names beginning with "A" and first names beginning with "B", etc. Records with the last/first type of index usually have a matrix across the top of each index page showing the page number on which each combination begins.

Typically, the pages of each volume are numbered sequentially, sometimes with a single number for a two-page spread but otherwise with the usual sequential numbering for left and right pages. Unfortunately, the image viewer navigation is in terms of microfilm image numbers and each microfilm began with several "housekeeping" images describing the contents, legal rights, microfilming details, etc. Consequently, the index of the original volume is often 5 to 10 images into the set and then the numbered pages begin after that. Once you have navigated to a page of interest, you can calculate the image number of new page you'd like to view based on the current page number, image number and page numbering scheme. Even if you do the math correctly, however, you will sometimes not find the expected page(s) on the calculated image number. I haven't investigated yet why this occurs.

The text below briefly describes a number of records related to Kinzer family members. The volume title is given in boldface, this the title that you would select from the list of available volumes. Following that is a physical page number, the corresponding image number and, if applicable a date associated with the record. This is followed by a brief description of the subject matter of the record.

Trustee and guardian index 1826-1940 vol 1

The index entries in this volume give information about record pages related to the named individual. (Note, however, that sometimes no related information will be found at the referenced volume/page - attribute that to human error.) The entries in the "Guardian Docket" column refer to pages in the

"Administrator and guardianship docket" while most of the other volume/page indicators refer to entries in a "Journals and records" volume.

p.142, image 138
Kin(t)zer, Elizabeth
Kin(t)zer, Eliza L.

p.144, image 140
Kin(t)zer, Isaac

p.146, image 142
Kin(t)zer, Lydia
Kinzer, Louisa
Kin(t)zer, Mary

p.148, image 144
Kin(t)zer, Sarah

Administrator and guardianship docket 1834-1867 vol 1-2

vol. 2, p. 210, image 421
Estate of John Kinzer

vol. 2, p. 259, image 445
Appointment of Philip Fike as guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer.

vol. 2, p. 279, image 456
Estate of John Kinzer

Journals and records 1852-1860 vol 1

p. 394, image 246, 02 Apr 1857
Appointment of Christian Kinzer as administrator for the estate of John Kinzer after his widow Fredericka Elisabeth Kinzer declines to accept administration.

p. 506, image 305, 05 Jun 1858
Declaration of incompetence of John Kinzer pursuant to an affidavit from Christian Kinzer.

p. 540, image 323, 22 Nov 1858
Appointment of Philip Fike as the guardian of the minor children of John Kinzer, deceased - Issac, Mary, Elizabeth, Lydia, Eliza, Sarah.

p. 554, image 331, 11 Jan 1859
Continuance of final settlement of the estate of John Kinzer.

p. 562, image 335, 12 Feb 1859
Final settlement of the estate of John Kinzer.

p. 586, image 348, 17 May 1859
Appointment of Christian Kinzer as administrator of the will of John Kinzer.

p. 587, image 348, 21 May 1859

Election by Maria A. Kinzer to "take under the will" of her deceased husband.

Journals and records 1860-1868 vol 2

p. 138, image 77, 16 Jul 1861

Account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer.

p. 238, image 128, 20 Apr 1863

Account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer.

p. 379, image 201, 04 Mar 1865

Account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer.

p. 418, image 222, 09 Sep 1865

Account settlement by Christian Kinzer, administrator of the estate of John Kinzer.

p. 617, image 327, 30 Nov 1867

Account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer. Final settlement to Isaac.

not located:

p 408 - final settlement to Mary Kinzer, heir of John Kinzer.

Journals and records 1867-1872 vol 3

not located:

p. 17 - final settlement to Elizabeth Kinzer, heir of John Kinzer

p. 373 - estate of Mary Kinzer

p. 406 - Louisa Kinzer

p. 413 - final settlement to Lydia Kinzer, heir of John Kinzer

Journals and records 1872-1876 vol 4

p. 274, image 180, 24 Apr 1874

Account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer. Final settlement to Louisa.

p. 302, image 195, 08 Jun 1874

Final hearing for account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer. Final settlement to Louisa.

p. 478, image 294, 10 Apr 1875

Proceeding to initiate valuation of real estate formerly owned by John Kinzer.

p. 486, image 298, 16 Apr 1875

Acceptance of real estate valuation and order to sell real estate formerly owned by John Kinzer.

p. 507, image 309, 18 May 1875

Acceptance of buyer's offer to purchase real estate formerly owned by John Kinzer.

p. 510, image 311, 18 May 1875

Account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer. Final settlement to Sarah.

p. 522, image 317, 25 Jun 1875

Appointment of Stephen Kelly as administrator of the estate of Mary Kinzer.

p. 535, image 324, 26 Jul 1875

Final hearing for account settlement by Philip Fike, guardian of the heirs of John Kinzer. Final settlement to Louisa.

p. 576, image 340, 13 Oct 1875

Acceptance of administrator's report on evaluation and sale of property of Mary Kinzer, deceased.

Journals and records 1876-1880 vol 5-6

vol. 5, p. 6, image 40, 09 Feb 1876

Competency hearing for Louisa Kinzer, appointment of Gottlieb Kinzer as guardian.

vol. 5, p. 69, image 71, 20 May 1876

Second partial accounting for the estate of John Kinzer.

vol. 5, p. 196, image 138, 29 Jan 1877

Final accounting for the estate of Mary Kinzer.

vol. 5, p. 271, image 177, 30 Apr 1877

Final hearing for settlement of the estate of Mary Kinzer.

vol. 5, p. 283, image 183, 19 May 1877

Final accounting for the estate of John Kinzer.

vol. 5, p. 304, image 194, 18 Jun 1877

Final hearing for settlement of the estate of John Kinzer.

vol. 5, p. 508, image 299, 27 Feb 1878

First partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

vol. 5, p. 559, image 325, 22 Apr 1878

Approval of first partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

vol. 6, p. 509, image 635, 19 Apr 1880

Second partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

vol. 6, p. 538, image 651, 07 Jun 1880

Approval of second partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

Journals and records 1880-1884 vol 7-8

vol. 7, p. 464, image 269, 06 May 1882

Third partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

vol. 7, p. 483, image 279, 05 Jun 1882

Approval of third partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

Journals and records 1884-1888 vol 9-10

vol. 10, p. 33, image 388, 28 Jun 1886

Fifth partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

vol. 10, p. 70, image 408, 09 Aug 1886

Approval of fifth partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

Journals and records 1887-1889 vol 11

vol. 11, p. 39, image 53, 01 Feb 1888

Hearing to re-determine competency of Louisa Kinzer, judged "restored to reason". Final accounting ordered.

vol. 11, p. 70, image 68, 11 Feb 1888

Final account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.

vol. 11, p. 125, image 95, 19 Mar 1888

Approval of final partial account by guardian Gottlieb Kinzer on behalf of Louisa Kinzer.