ACPL Event April 10, 2024

The Allen County Clerk's Office has many documents available to the public. We are excited to work with genealogists researching their family history.

The Allen County Clerk's Office retains records according to the Judicial Retention Schedule managed by the Indiana Judiciary and covers court-related records. Administration Rule 7

In addition to the types of records the Clerk's office administers, you can research and obtain copies of marriage and divorces records, civil and criminal records, probate records, some naturalization records, some delayed birth records, and open adoption records up through 1941.

Allen County was established in 1824 and our records begin there.

There is a 75-year limit on confidentiality on all confidential issues other than adoption records.

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Our Marriage and Probate Records begin in 1824.

Guardianship records begin in 1829.

Naturalization Records start at 1844-1906.

Another resource in locating some information is the State Archives Naturalization Database.

Delayed Birth Certificates begin 1942 and go through 1985.

Family search has worked with the Allen County Clerk's Office and have published some of Allen County Records on their database from the early 1800-1900's which includes probate and adoption records. You can reach Family Search records through its website at www.familysearch.org

You can request a copy of documents by contacting: Our Central Services Division, which is in Room 201 of the Allen County Courthouse, 715 South Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46802. Copies can be made Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, unless the Courthouse is closed for a legal holiday. You may also request copies by phone by calling 260-449-7890 or by email to copyrequest@co.allen.in.us.

Additional resources:

Marriage for Allen County from March 31, 1943-1957

http://www.acgsi.org/marriage/

State of Indiana Marriage Records from 1958-2019

https://digital.statelib.lib.in.us/legacy/search.aspx?index=2

Indiana State Library Genealogy Division phone number 317-232-3689