

CLARE COUNTY GUIDE

ARCHIVES OF MICHIGAN



Originally laid off in 1840 as Kaykakee County, Clare County was later officially organized in 1871. The county coordinates are Ranges 3 West through 6 West (3W-6W) and Townships 17 North through 20 North (17N-20N). Adjacent counties include Roscommon (northeast), Gladwin (east), Midland (southeast), Isabella (south), Mecosta (southwest), Osceola (west), and Missaukee (northwest).

Original records from Clare County are available at the Archives of Michigan. The list below is organized by record type; each record type lists specific records, the years of coverage and the record group (RG) number assigned to that collection. A more detailed list of each collection can be found in finding aids at the archives.

BUSINESS RECORDS

- **Articles of association**, from **1872 to 1973** – RG 99-79
- **Equipment marks**, from **1929** and from **1938** – RG 99-78
- **Livestock brands**, from **1901 to 1954** – RG 99-78
- **Log marks**, from **1890 to 1906** – RG 99-78

CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Clare County files**, from **1967 to 1979** – RG 83-53

MILITARY RECORDS

- **Burial register of soldiers**, from **1927 to 1931** – RG 99-78
- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records**, from **1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
 - *Clare County GAR posts: Post 221 (Clare & Harrison), Post 339 (Clare), Post 386 (Farwell)*

See also Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4 c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4 d: World War I

NATURALIZATION RECORDS

- **Application for admission to citizenship**, from **1907 to 1931** – RG 99-77
- **Applications to take oath**, from **1941 to 1955** – RG 99-77
- **Certificate of arrival requests**, from **1914 to 1920** – RG 99-77
- **Certificate stubs**, from **1917 to 1926** – RG 99-77
- **Declarations of Intention**, from **1871 to 1928** – RG 99-77
- **Loyalty certificates**, from **1944 to 1945** – RG 99-77
- **Petition and record**, from **1879 to 1965** – RG 99-77

OCCUPATIONAL RECORDS

- **Dentistry board licenses revoked**, from **1942** – RG 99-78
- **Drugless healers**, from **1914 to 1935** – RG 99-78
- **Medical board of registration & licensure**, from **1913 to 1952** – RG 99-78
- **Medical practitioner's sworn statements**, from **1883 to 1899** – RG 99-78
- **Optometrists board register**, from **1910 to 1953** – RG 99-78
- **Professional register**, from **1900 to 1982** – RG 99-78

POLITICAL RECORDS

- **Statement of nomination & election expenses**, from **1914 to 1916** – RG 53-4

PRISON RECORDS

See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

VITAL RECORDS

See Guide No. 19: Vital Records

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