

**Justice John C. Knox**

1820-1880

**Term**

May 23, 1853-January 19, 1858

**Education**

Studied law under Judge Purple, Lawrenceville and William Garretson, Tioga

**Professional Experience**

- Admitted to Tioga County bar; Bradford County, 1841; Philadelphia bar, 1858
- Private Practice, Tioga,
- Private Practice, Wellsboro, 1841-1848
- Deputy Attorney General, Tioga County, 1840-1842
- Member, PA House of Representatives, 1845
- Governor Shunk appointed President Judge, 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District (Somerset, Cambria, Indiana, Armstrong, Westmoreland Counties), 1848-1851
- Elected President Judge, 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District (Clarion, Venango, Elk, Forest Counties), November 11, 1851-May 23, 1853
- Governor William Bigler appointed Knox, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, May 23, 1853
- Resigned from Office, January 19, 1858
- Attorney General, Pennsylvania, January 19, 1858-January 16, 1861
- Judge Advocate, U.S. Army, Civil War, 1861-1865
- Private Practice, Knox & Webster, Philadelphia, 1865-

**Memberships and Associations**

- Member, Commission to Revise the Criminal Laws, 1858

**Publications**

- Report of the Commissioners Appointed to Revise the Penal Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, January 4, 1860 (1860)

**Sources**

2 Frank M. Eastman, *Courts and Lawyers of Pennsylvania: A History (1623-1923)* 2:507, 3:697 (1922); 1 *Twentieth Century Bench and Bar* 301 (1903); *History of Tioga County, Pennsylvania* 157 (1897); A. J. Davis (ed.), *History of Clarion County, Pennsylvania* 395 (1887); John L. Sexton, Jr., *History of Tioga County, Pennsylvania* 69 (1883); H.C. Bradsby, *History of Bradford County, Pennsylvania* 322 (1891)