

Justice John P. Elkin

1860-1915

Term

January 1, 1905-October 3, 1915

Education

- Indiana Normal School (now Indiana University of Pennsylvania), 1880
- University of Michigan, LL.B., 1884
- Studied law in office of Watson and Telford, Indiana, 1895

**Professional Experience**

- Teacher, Public Schools, Indiana County, 1875-1880
- Admitted to Indiana bar, September 1885
- Private Practice, 1885-1889
- Member of Pa. House of Representatives, 1885-1888
- Deputy Attorney General of Pa., 1895-1899
- Attorney General, Pennsylvania, 1889-1903
- Unsuccessful Republican candidate for Governor, 1902
- Elected Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1904
- Died in Office, October 3, 1915

Honors and Awards

- Honorary M.A. degree: Lafayette College, 1892

Memberships and Associations

- Delegate, Republican State Convention, 1890, 1891
- Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1896
- Chair, Republican State Committee, 1896-1901
- President, Farmers' Bank of Indiana
- Pres of school board, 10 years
- Trustee, State Normal School

Publications

- Brief of Argument in Support of the Right of the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Appoint the Hon. Matthew Stanley Quay to a Vacancy Caused by the Expiration of His Full Term When the Legislature Had Failed to Elect a Successor. [1899?]
- General Problems Connected with the Administration of Justice. XXXVI no. 1 Annals of the Am. Academy of Political and Social Sciences 3 (July 1910).

Sources

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