

Abstract of Title and Deed Examples

Abstract of Title documents for the Village trace property ownership records beginning in 1824, typically starting with David Hoover (in some cases with John Sheets) and then each subsequent owner. The document is usually bound with an “Abstract of Title” cover page and can be dozens of pages in length. If you have a copy of this document already, a great deal of your work is done!

One example of an Abstract of Title is included below.

Deed documents can be handwritten or typed. Very old deeds for Village properties may be handwritten re-creations of the original deeds after an 1856 fire destroyed the originals. As you move into the 20th century, deeds were typed. Earlier deeds include the selling price of property, which can often serve as an indicator of when a house was built. Most likely a trip to the Boone County Courthouse will be necessary to locate deeds.

Two deed examples are included below.

Abstract of Titles



TO REAL ESTATE
IN BOONE COUNTY
STATE OF INDIANA

PREPARED BY

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COMPLETE ABSTRACTS OF TITLE TO ALL LANDS AND TOWN LOTS
IN BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA

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Elijah Cross and wife,
Polly Cross
to \$200.00
Lucinda Kildow.

Warranty Deed.
Dated June 15, 1860.
Recorded March 14, 1862.
Deed Record 6, page 83.
Conveys the north half of

lots number five (5) and six (6) in Crosses First Addition to the town of Zionsville, Boone County, Indiana.

Acknowledged on the 15th day of June, 1860, by Elijah Cross and wife, Polly Cross before Allen W. Tarimore, a Justice of the Peace in and for Boone County, Indiana, after whose name the word "Seal" appears of record.

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Joshua Kildow and wife,
Lucinda Kildow
to \$425.00
James S. Pentecost.

Warranty Deed.
Dated September 18, 1861.
Recorded March 15, 1862.
Deed Record 6, page 84.
Conveys the north half of

lots number five and six (5 & 6) in Crosses first addition to the town of Zionsville, Boone County, Indiana.

Acknowledged on the 18th day of September, 1861, by William Smith, a Justice of the Peace in and for Boone County, Indiana, after whose name the word "Seal" appears of record.

NOTE: Grantors name appears in body of deed as Josiah Kildow.

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James S. Pentecost and wife,
Martha Pentecost
to \$400.00
Simeon C. Head.

Warranty Deed.
Dated January 9, 1863.
Recorded April 6, 1863.
Deed Record 7, page 107.
Conveys the north half of

lot number five (5) and number six (6) in Crosses first addition to Zionsville, Boone County, Indiana.

Acknowledged on the 29th day of January, 1863, by James S. Pentecost and wife, Martha Pentecost before _____, a Notary Public in and for Boone County, Indiana, before whose name the letters "J. S." appear of record.

* Frouggott P. Mills & William H. Alford *

This Indenture Witness eth, That Frouggott P. Mills and Sarah C. Mills, his wife of Boone County in the State of Indiana, Convey and Warrant to William H. Alford of Boone County in the State of Indiana, for the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, the following Real Estate in Boone County in the State of Indiana, to-wit:

Lots numbered Eleven (11) Twelve (12) and Thirteen (13) in Cross Third (3rd) Addition to the Town of Lonsville, County of Boone State aforesaid with all improvements to the same belonging


Do witness Whereof, The grantors have hereunto set their hands and seal this seventh day of May 1884.

F. P. Mills 
Sarah C. Mills 

State of Indiana }
Boone County } ss:

Before me Cyrus N. Beamer a Notary Public in and for said County, this 7th day of May 1884 Frouggott P. Mills and Sarah C. Mills acknowledged the execution of the annexed Deed.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal.

Cyrus N. Beamer 
Notary Public

Recorded May 10. 1884. at 9.00 clock A.M.

David W. Campbell
Rd 6

William S. Smith executor of the last will and testament of William K. Gifford deceased, as such executor by order of the Circuit Court of Boone County, in the State of Indiana, entered in order book 22, of said Court on page _____. Convey to John P. Brandel, Ira E. Conrad and Harry McDaniel trustees for the First Christian Church of Zionville, Indiana and their successors in office forever, of the County of Boone and State of Indiana, for the sum of twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the following real estate in Boone County, in the State of Indiana, to-wit:

Lots numbered eleven (11) twelve (12) and thirteen (13) in Cross' third addition to the town of Zionville, Indiana.

In witness whereof the said William S. Smith executor as aforesaid has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 13 day of January 1908.

William S. Smith (seal)

State of Indiana, County of Boone SS:

Before me, Zenta V. Pavey a Notary Public in and for said County, this 13 day of January 1908, William S. Smith executor of the last will and testament of William K. Gifford, deceased as such executor acknowledged the execution of the annexed deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal.

(LS)

Zenta V. Pavey (seal)

My com. expires Dec. 19, 1910.

Notary Public.

Appointed Jan. 13, 1908.

Samuel R. Artman, Judge.

Recorded January 13, 1908 at 11 o'clock A.M.

John Haber R.B.C.