

# ONTONAGON COUNTY GUIDE

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## ARCHIVES OF MICHIGAN



Originally laid off in 1843, Ontonagon County was later officially organized in 1848. The county coordinates are Range 38 West through 44 West (38W-44W) and Township 46 North through 51 North (46N-51N). Adjacent counties include Houghton (east), Iron (southeast), and Gogebic (south & west). Lake Superior is on the north border of Ontonagon County.

Original records from Ontonagon 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. More detailed lists of these collections can be found in finding aids at the archives.

Some of the collections below are housed at the Michigan Technological University Archives & Copper Country Historical Collections in Houghton - these are indicated with a \* after the RG number. For assistance with these records, please contact the Michigan Technological University Archives & Copper Country Historical Collections directly.

### CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Ontonagon County files, from 1968 to 1976** – RG 83-53

### COURT RECORDS

#### **Circuit Court Records (Michigan, 12<sup>th</sup>):**

- **Calendars, from 1865 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*
- **Case files, from 1865 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*
- **Chancery journal, from 1874 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*
- **Chancery order book, from 1863 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*
- **Chancery rule book, from 1875 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*
- **Common rule book, from 1864 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*
- **Journal, from 1849 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*

- **Transcript of judgments, from 1869 to 1891** – RG 89-465\*

#### **District Court of Upper Peninsula (U.S.):**

- **Calendar, from 1849 to 1864** – RG 89-465\*
- **Case files, from 1849 to 1864** – RG 89-465\*
- **Journal, from 1858 to 1867** – RG 89-465\*

## **LAND RECORDS**

- **Rural Property Inventory, from 1936 to 1942** – RG 72-76

## **MILITARY RECORDS**

- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records, from 1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
  - *Ontonagon County GAR post: Post 254*

*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**

- **Court order book, from 1930 to 1953** – RG 2002-61
- **Declarations of Intention, from 1848 to 1952** – RG 2002-61
- **Depositions, from 1923 to 1938** – RG 2002-61
- **Index cards, from circa 1850 to 1950** – RG 2002-61
- **Index to Declarations, from 1854 to 1952** – RG 2002-61
- **Naturalization records, from 1853 to 1906** – RG 2002-61
- **Petitions, from 1906 to 1953** – RG 2002-61
- **Second papers, from 1856 to 1935** – RG 2002-61

## **PRISON RECORDS**

*See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records*

## **VITAL RECORDS**

*See Guide No. 19: Vital Records*

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