

**A2919****John Grether, Jr., Papers, 1856-circa after 1896**

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**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

John Grether, Jr., was born circa 1829 in Germany, and came to the United States with his parents as a young child. He engaged in the real estate business, and served as a justice of the peace in St. Louis in the 1850s and 1860s. He died October 29, 1899, in St. Louis.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Collection contains several commissions of John Grether, Jr., as a notary public and other professional and personal papers.

- 1857 Oct 26 State of Missouri commission of John Grether, Jr., as a notary public for St. Louis County. **(oversize)**
- 1858 Nov 2 & 5 Certificate of election and certificate of qualification for the appointment of John Grether, Jr., as justice of the peace for the 8th Ward of the city of St. Louis to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John C. Vogel.
- 1860 Aug 20 Certificate of election and certificate of qualification for John Grether, Jr., who was elected a justice of the peace for the 8th Ward of the city of St. Louis.
- 1861 Oct 7 State of Missouri commission of John Grether as notary public for St. Louis County. **(oversize)**
- 1861 Oct 29 Certificate of filing of oath of allegiance of John Grether, Jr., justice of the peace of the 8th Ward, issued by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Louis County.
- 1861 Nov 7 Certificate of filing of the oath of John Grether, notary public, issued by the office of the Secretary of State, Jefferson City, Missouri.
- 1864 Dec 1 Note signed S.W. Eager, Jr., clerk of the County Court of St. Louis County, to John Grether, directing him to turn over all docket books and papers belonging to him as a former justice of the peace. Includes appended receipt of docket books, signed Frederick W. Engel, justice of the peace, 8th Ward.
- 1864 Dec 23 License granted to John Grether to practice as an attorney, signed by James C. Moody [or James C. Moodey], judge of the Circuit Court for the 8th Judicial District.
- 1865 Pass issued to John Grether for an excursion of the City Council of St. Louis on the St. Louis, Indianapolis and Bellefontaine Rail Road line from St. Louis to Crestline and return.
- 1865 June 28 Psychometric delineation of J.G. [John Grether] by Mrs. Mary Severance, Whitewater, Wisconsin. "The motive mental vital & spiritual temperaments predominate. You are intellectual moral and social. The moral & intellectual predominate. You have many eccentricities that belong particularly to your mother's side. . . ." Incomplete. (4 pages)
- 1865 Sept 27 State of Missouri commission of John Grether as notary public for St. Louis County. **(oversize)**
- 1865 Nov 11 City of St. Louis real estate broker's license granted to John Grether.

- 1868 Feb 20 Certificate of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows recommending John Grether for admission into any encampment of Odd Fellows. Signed at St. Louis, Mo.
- 1869 Sept 7 State of Missouri commission of John Grether as a notary public in St. Louis County. **(oversize)**
- 1873 Sept 5 State of Missouri commission of John Grether as notary public in St. Louis County. **(oversize)**
- 1878 Page number 1157 from the classifieds section of Gould's St. Louis city directory for 1878, listing Grether & Boeck.
- 1881 May 23 Deed of sale of land in Block 441 West in the city of St. Louis of Gratz A. Moses and Sallie S. Moses (his wife), Bessie A. Eaton (widow of George K. Eaton), Mary A. Scott (formerly Moses) and William D. Scott (her husband), all of the city of St. Louis, to Dr. Charles Garcia.
- 1887 Sept 20 Letter signed Jas. Coff[?] [James Coff], St. Louis, to his friend Grether, expressing his friendship prior to Grether's departure for his new home. Written on the letterhead of Grether & Boeck, real estate agents, 207 North 8th Street.
- circa after 1896 Handwritten notes on an envelope listing dates of Grether's commissions, appointments, etc.