

JONATHAN N. LANGHAM, a young and rising member of the Indiana bar, is a son of Jonathan and Eliza (Barr) Langham, and was born in Grant township, Indiana county, Pennsylvania, August 4, 1861. The Langham family can be traced back from several centuries in England. Several members of it came to America and from one of them was descended Joseph Langham (grandfather), who was born in Bedford county, Pa., and followed farming for many years previous to his death, which occurred in August, 1864. Of his sons who lived to arrive to the years of manhood, one was Jonathan Langham, father of the subject of this sketch, who was born in Bedford county, this State, and is now in the sixty-seventh year of his age. When ten years of age he removed to Indiana county, where he located permanently and has continued to farm ever since. In connection with farming, he has also been engaged to some considerable extent in the lumber business. He married Eliza Barr, who was born in Indiana county. Her father, Robert Barr, of Irish descent, was born in this county, in 1796, learned the trade of cooper, which, he followed for many years and died in 1871, aged seventy-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Langham are the parents of twelve children: Two of their sons, Samuel S. and Joseph L., served as soldiers in the late war.

Jonathan N. Langham was reared on his father's farm. He attended the common schools and Purchase Line academy and completed his educational course at the State Normal school of Indiana, where he graduated in the class of 1882. Leaving school, he was engaged in teaching for several years. In June, 1887, he commenced the study of law with John N. Banks, of Indiana, being admitted to practice on December 8, 1888.