

## John Chambers

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**C**HAMBERS, HON. JOHN, Lawyer, Soldier, and Legislator, was born October 6, 1780, in New Jersey. In 1794, he was brought to Kentucky, and lived for some years in Washington, Mason County. He received a thorough education, which was partly obtained at old Transylvania Seminary. From 1797 to 1800, was a Deputy in the District Court, in the mean time studying law; entered upon the practice of his profession in 1800; was engaged in the war of 1812, and, with the rank of major, was aid to Gen. Harrison, at the battle of the Thames; was elected to the State Legislature, in 1812 and 1815, and was two or three times re-elected; was for some time Commonwealth's Attorney; served in Congress from 1828 to 1829, and from 1835 to 1839; was offered a seat in the Court of Appeals in 1832; in 1835, accepted an appointment as Associate Judge of the Court, from Gov. James T. Morehead, but resigned on account of ill health soon afterwards; and, from 1841 to 1845, was Governor of the Territory of Iowa. Gov. Chambers died, September 21, 1852, at Paris, Kentucky.

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