

Kent County

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Subject: Responsibility of Recorder of Deeds Office

1. As the Recorder of Deeds for Kent County, Delaware, I have a responsibility to serve the citizens of Kent County and stakeholders engaged in all legitimate transactions as prescribed by law. I directed my staff to employ property records industry standards and best practices and couple excellent customer service with public outreach to make property transactions safer, faster, and more convenient for everyone.

2. 9 Delaware §9605(a) instructs my office to record "Deeds, Indentures, Letters of Attorney relating to land, mortgages, releases of lien of mortgages, leases, releases, assignments, conditional sales and leases of railroad and railway equipment and rolling stock, oaths of office, plots and descriptions, appointments of Deputy Registers of Wills, certificates of commissioners and agreements of owners bounding and marking lands, petitions and orders for Sheriffs' Deeds, and all instruments authorized or directed by law to be recorded or lodged by the Recorder of Deeds."

3. Recording documents that do not adhere strictly to the guidelines in the law clutters the public record and will not be done by this office until statute otherwise adds this responsibility to my office. If you disagree, you may petition the Superior Court for appropriate relief.



HONORABLE EUGENIA THORNTON
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