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Register of Deeds Office Implements Instant Land Records Recording

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Register of Deeds office announces new features designed to streamline and improve the real estate recording process. The changes became effective Jan. 2 and include the ability to instantly record land records and the elimination of the standalone temporary index unit.

To instantly record land records, Register of Deeds staff members will scan original records at the time of recording and return the original documents to the recording party. This will apply to all land instruments including oversized plat maps. Instant land records mean customers will not have to wait several days to retrieve their original documents.

The elimination of the standalone temporary index unit means all instruments that have been processed through the Register of Deeds' receipt system will be available on public terminals in the office as "unverified" instruments appearing in red within the permanent index. Previously, instruments recorded could not be made available in the index until processing and proofing. The temporary index can also be accessed online. The data should be available within five minutes of the recording in the Deeds office.

"We believe that these changes will improve the efficiency of our office for both our users and our staff," said Register of Deeds J. Lee Warren Jr. "Our plan is to continue to be the best Register of Deeds Office possible in order to provide our citizens with optimal customer service."

For more information, call 910- 678-7775. You can also visit the Register of Deeds online at http://www.ccrod.org.