

LAKE COUNTY GOOD DEEDS PROGRAM



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Our Mission:

To preserve and provide for the public a true and reliable, readily accessible, permanent account of real property, both historic and current, and to do so with the highest quality of professional service.



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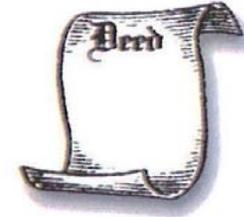
A collaborative effort between

Lake County Probate Court Judge Mark Bartolotta,

Lake County Recorder Ann Radcliffe, and

Lake County Clerk of Courts Maureen G. Kelly,

to present information regarding ways to minimize the probate process.



This is a free public service to the residents of Lake County to assist them and their families in planning ahead to minimize probate court involvement in estates after losing a loved one.

“Good Deeds” is a deed review process for all Lake County homeowners to:

1. Identify whether their current deed would require transfer through Probate Court upon one's death;
2. Consider other options that could possibly minimize Probate Court involvement.



To locate the next program available please visit my website at <http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/recorder> or call my office at (440) 350-2510.

To have your deed reviewed it is recommended you obtain a copy of your current title deed. This can be accomplished by:

- ❖ Calling the Auditor's Office, at (440) 350-2528 or accessing the information online: <http://www.lake.iviewauditor.com/Search.aspx> to obtain the deed number
- ❖ Emailing the Recorder's Office for a copy of the deed: (please include the document number or deed volume and page and owner name as it should appear on the deed) publicrecords@lakecountyohio.gov
- ❖ If you are unable to obtain a copy from the above methods, please contact my office at (440) 350-2510.

The program will not only include a review of your current deed by Ann Radcliffe, County Recorder, but additionally:

Judge Bartolotta will be on hand to discuss the probate court procedure as it relates to the transfer of real estate and explain the necessary language in a deed that may help transfer the property without passing through probate court.

Maureen G. Kelly, Clerk of Courts will discuss the procedure of listing either “Transfer of Death” or “With Rights of Survivorship” on title documents to minimize probate court involvement for transfer of a vehicle or watercraft.

Local attorneys will also be in attendance to review the homeowner's current deed to look for survivorship language.