Press Release

Lawrence County Register and Recorder, Tammy R. Crawford, and staff are very happy to announce that the Recorder of Deeds Office is now offering a free property fraud protection tool, called Property Alert[®]. This tool is powered by GovOS. This new system will safeguard citizens against property record fraud and help ease the minds of property owners.

Property Alert is a software-based monitoring tool that allows our constituents to create profiles, free of charge, to be alerted when any document—such as mortgage, deed or mortgage satisfaction related to a specific parcel is recorded under the parcel's ID or the owner's name.

While property fraud is a rare occurrence in Lawrence County, the Recorder of Deeds Office has received numerous telephone calls from property owners requesting this service. As a proactive measure, the Recorder of Deeds Office has made this <u>free</u> monitoring service available to the property owners in Lawrence County beginning October 1, 2022.

This service is very streamlined and easy to use. Please go to https://lawrence.pa.publicsearch.us/ and click on the Property Alert option at the top of the screen. Enter the name or other property information for which you want to create an Alert. You'll receive a confirmation email and a notification every time a document is filed that matches the information in your profile. You can turn off profiles at any time as well.

When a document is recorded in the Lawrence County Recorder of Deeds against the information that you have entered, an email will be automatically generated by Property Alert. This email will include the matched date, document type, document reference number, recording date/time of the matching document and a link to the document. This document can be viewed on the Recorder of Deeds Online Services website.

Please note that this alert does not mean that fraudulent activity has occurred. This alert notifies <u>ANY</u> activity that has occurred on the property. It is the property owner's responsibility to monitor the alerts and take action if they feel that the activity is suspicious.

If the property owner receives an alert regarding activity that appears fraudulent or suspicious, property owners can call the Lawrence County Recorder of Deeds Office at (724) 656-2128.

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