Frequently Asked Questions

How can I change the name on my deed?

To make changes to ownership of property, a new document must be prepared. Title companies or an attorney may assist you in making the necessary changes. *The Recorder's Office does not prepare documents.*

I know the address of a certain property owner, but do I need other information to get a copy of a deed?

We cannot search records by street address. We need a full legal description; a book and page reference number; name; the year the deed was recorded, or a document number. To obtain the legal and other information by address, please check with the Pettis County Assessor's office.

Does my property have any liens filed on it?

The Recorder of Deeds office is prohibited by law from conducting lien searches. Our office is responsible only to record documents that meet recording requirements. If you wish to search the records yourself, we will be glad to provide assistance. *The Recorder's Office is not the only office where liens on property are filed. Liens on property may also be filed with other offices or entities.*

Can you tell me the selling price of a home in my neighborhood?

The selling price of real estate is not required on recorded deeds.

Are there easements on my property?

First check the original plat of the property and also search the indexes. The Recorder's Office does not maintain separate indexes for easements.

When may I expect the return of my document after recording?

You should receive your original document back within two weeks.

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