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Dutchess County Clerk Kendall Again Urges County Residents to be Aware of Letters Being Sent to Homeowners

Poughkeepsie... Dutchess County Clerk Bradford Kendall is again urging Dutchess County residents to be very aware of private companies that are again mailing letters to county residents informing them, that for fees ranging from \$59.50 to \$83, the company can retrieve a certified copy of their deed and mail it back to them. On these land record retrieval web pages, the companies state that they will obtain a copy of the deed from the County Clerk's office.

"This is nothing more than an opportunity and a quick way to make money off of the hardworking residents of Dutchess County," Clerk Kendall stated.

Certain land record retrieval companies claim that obtaining one's land record can be a tedious process. "Not so", says Clerk Kendall. He stated, "Obtaining a copy of one's land record is easy and fast. Either visit our office directly at 22 Market Street and a copy of your deed or any document that we house and is available to the public will be presented to you immediately upon order, or order a copy on line using our webpage www.dutchessny.gov."

Clerk Kendall continued, "There is no reason a Dutchess County resident would need to reach out to a third party to obtain a certified copy of their deed or any document from my office. We routinely provide a certified copy of a person's deed for a fee of \$6.00. Anyone who receives this type of letter from any record retrieval company, and has questions about their deed or any other legal document may contact County Clerk Kendall at 845-486-2195.