Search Notes

- For common names, an exact name search may help you narrow results.

- Parcel numbers are formatted as 000-000000

- Veteran discharge records and living wills are not available to view online.

- Certified copies are available for $2.00 per page, plus $1.00 per document, and may be obtained in person or through the mail. They may be requested and paid for electronically by clicking on "Certified Copy Request" on our homepage.

- If using a browser with Java, ensure you are using the most current version.

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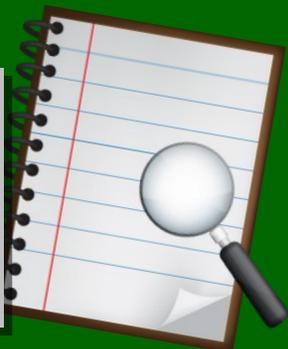
Hello Franklin County,

Thank you for your interest in our website. Please do not hesitate to contact my office at (614) 525-3930, should you have any questions or concerns regarding the services our office provides.

Sincerely,

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ONLINE PUBLIC RECORD SEARCH

GUIDE

BASICS:

It's easy to access documents recorded in the Franklin County Recorder's Office. You can conduct an online search through CountyFusion, our public records search website. Find it on our website under Public Records Search.

Launched in January 2016, County Fusion works with most web browsers using both Java and HTML5. The Franklin County Recorder's Office is the first in Ohio to use this robust search platform.

Index coverage begins Jan. 2, 1914 for deeds and Jan. 7, 1970 for mortgages.

You may sign in as a guest., however registration provides several benefits, such as the ability to save specific searches.

Most people use the default Name Search to find the documents they need.

You can narrow your search by date or by consideration (meaning value in a transaction, typically money).

Detailed help can be found in the Search Guide tab at the top left corner of the CountyFusion home page.

ARCHIVE SEARCHES

(1804-1913)

Family history researchers and historians can find many old records online. Some records were destroyed in an 1879 fire; however, most of these have been reconstructed.

Log in to CountyFusion to begin.

In Search Type, pick Deed Indexes 1804-1913.

You may want to narrow your search by time period or by whether a person was granted property (grantee) or granted property to someone else (grantor).

An Example for Practice

Pelatiah W. Huntington (1836-1918) was the founder of Huntington National Bank. To find his first real estate records in Franklin County, what he acquired as a young man, you could search "Grantee Deed Index 1804-1888."

After choosing this set of records, enter the first letters of his last name, HU, and hit the search icon. Find "Huntington" in this page of surnames and note the page number: 243.

From here, look at the top right corner of your page and click the tab, "Back to Results."

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Look for Page Number box. Enter a number in the range and keep adjusting until you find page 243.

Open this link—you will see a handwritten index. Scroll down to find Pelatiah Huntington for an entry in 1859. For the 1859 transaction, you will see it can be found in Volume 67, Page 235.

In the top left corner of your screen, enter these numbers and hit "Look Up."

You may see a blank screen. Simply scroll down and your record should appear. The transaction shows a family relationship— the marriage of Jennie Deshler to Pelatiah W. Huntington.

Now that you've found one record in our archives, try searching for clues to your own family history or to a historical topic of local interest.

For best results, we recommend a visit to our office on the 18th floor at 373 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Questions? Call us at 614-525-3930.