

ULSTER COUNTY NEWS

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Beware Of Deed Solicitations

Ulster County District Attorney, Holley Carnright and Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack would like to warn property owners of a recent solicitation regarding certified copies of deeds. It has come to the attention of the District Attorney's Office and the County Clerk's Office that Ulster County residents are receiving letters from New York Record Retreival, Inc., offering individuals the ability to obtain a certified copy of their deed recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's Office for a cost of \$59.50.

In an attempt to address this problem, Nina Postupack, Ulster County Clerk reminds individuals that a certified copy of a deed is available from the Clerk's Office at one tenth of the cost that New York Retrieval, Inc is charging. The County Clerk urges individuals to come into the County Clerk's office to obtain a copy of their deed. Mrs. Postupack said, "Individuals can request a copy of their deed or any public record recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's office by mail or in person." District Attorney, Holley Carnright emphasizes to residents of the County when a solicitation is received that may appear questionable please contact the Consumer Fraud Department of the District Attorney's Office at 340-3260. The staff is available to assist in determining the legitimacy of any company or organization.

According to Nina Postupack, County Clerk the charge for a certified copy of a deed is sixty five cents per page plus \$5.00 to certify the document. County Clerk employees are available to assist customers in person or by phone, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. It is important to remember all public records are available for inspection. Copy fees are set down by New York State statute for all County Clerks throughout the state.

Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack and Ulster County District Attorney, Holley Carnright encourages all county residents with questions about this or any other related matters to contact them at 340-3040 (County Clerk) or 340-3280 (District Attorney).