

Please go to the Cook County Recorder of Deeds website, cookrecorder.com under the **FAQ** page, for a variety of information about recording. As a courtesy our website has compiled many **FAQ's** under **MISCELLANOUS FAQ's** at the bottom of that page that may assist you in answering recording questions.

- It is your own responsibility to assure that your document meets the basic recording requirements (which are found on our website and contained in the State Law) and the laws under which you are recording your document.
- You may be held legally responsible for documents you record at this Office even if they meet the basic recording requirements.
- You may wish to consult with your own private lawyer should you have any questions about a document (or the document's legality) you want to record or actions that you may take after recording your document.
- If you are not able to afford your own private attorney, you may wish to approach legal aid clinics in your community to determine if they are able to provide you with any assistance.
- There are several helpful forms on our Forms page at cookrecorder.com that we have as a courtesy

Again, The Recorder of Deeds Office welcomes your recording questions and courtesy database searches, but cannot provide any legal advice as we are unable to answer legal questions.

For general questions please look at our **FAQ** Page at cookrecorder.com, as we have provided a lot of courtesy information.

Any further questions can be directed to ROD.FAQ@cookcountyil.gov and our office will try to address appropriate questions.

Circuit Court:

- Mortgage Foreclosure Chancery Pro Se Advisory Help Desk Room 1303 9 a.m.- 4p.m. M-F
- Pro Se Housing Tenant Assistance Room 1301 9am - 1pm M-F
- Mortgage Foreclosure Surplus Funds - Accounting Dept. 312-603-6778
- Municipal Advice Desk 6th Floor
- Collections Advice Desk 14th Floor
- Domestic Relations Advice Desk 30th Floor
- Expungement Advice Desk 10th Floor
- Adult Guardianship Advice Desk 12th Floor
- Child Support and Paternity Assistance, 32 W. Randolph, Chicago 14th Floor
- Domestic Violence & Protection Orders Legal Clinic 555 W. Harmon, Chicago Room 1900

City Hall

- Senior Services Division, City of Chicago Room 100, 312-744-4016
- Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities 312-744-7071 (voice)

Tenant Assistance

- Illinois Department of Human Rights 312-814-6200
- Illinois Attorney General 1800-386-5438
- City of Chicago 311 (inside City limits)
- Renter's Rights Info Line 312-742-7368
- Chicago Housing Authority 312-742-8500
- Center for Renter's Rights 773-244-8152
- Metropolitan Tenant's Organization 773-292-4988
- Agora Community Services Free Housing Issues Counseling, 773-483-3888
- Lawyer Committee for Better Housing 312-347-7600

General & Housing Issues

- Federal Trade Commission Credit Bureau Dispute, 1877-FTC-HELP
- Illinois Attorney General Consumer Fraud Department, 312-814-3000
- Illinois Attorney General, Abusive Lender Hotline, 1800-386-5438
- Illinois Attorney General, Foreclosure and Mortgage Helpline, 1866-544-7151
- Illinois State Treasurer, Cash Dash Unclaimed Properties non-real estate 217-785-6998
- Housing Urban Development, Foreclosure Assistance, 1800-569-4287
- Homeowners HOPE Hotline, Foreclosure and Mortgage Help, 1888-995-HOPE(4673)
- MakingHomeAffordable.gov (Housing issues)
- go HUD.gov (Housing issues)
- Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.gov, Abusive lender assist 1855-411-2372
- Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, 773-329-4010
- Agora Community Services Free Housing Issues Counseling, 773-483-3888

Legal Services and Associations

- Chicago Legal Clinic 2938 E. 91st Street, Chicago 773-731-1762
- Chicago Volunteer Legal Services 100 N. LaSalle St #900, Chicago 312-332-1624
- Center for Disability and Elder law 205 W. Randolph #1610, Chicago 312-376-1880
- Amicus Poloniae (Polish-speaking) Legal Clinic, 5711 N. Milwaukee, Chicago 773-763-8520
- Asian Human Resources 4753 N Broadway #700, Chicago 773-728-2235
- John Marshall Law School Fair Housing Clinic 28 E. Jackson #500, Chicago 312-786-2267
- Lawyers Committee Better Housing 220 S State #1700, Chicago 60604 312-347-7600
- Legal Aid Chicago 120 S. LaSalle, Chicago 312-341-1070 (Formerly LAF)
- Illinois Legal Aid Online www.illinoislegalaid.org/
- Legal Aid Bureau of Metropolitan Family Services 312-986-4200
- Cook County Legal Assistance Hotline for Low Income Cook County CARPLS.ORG 312-738-9200
- Illinois Armed Forces Legal Aid Network 855-452-3526
- Cook County Bar Association Lawyer Referral 312-630-1157
- Chicago Bar Association Lawyer Referral 321 S. Plymouth Ct, Chicago 312-554-2001