

# IOWA COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

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2021 YEAR END REPORT

## **THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE**

Iowa County became a county in 1827. The Register of Deeds Office was established in Wisconsin in 1836, before statehood, to protect the integrity of land ownership. The 1848 Wisconsin constitution Article VI, Section 4 established the elected constitutional office as a permanent element of the county-level government structure. Vital records were statutorily added in 1907.

The mission of the Register of Deeds is to provide secure archival storage and access to public records as required by law, as well as provide a high level of customer service that promotes respect and timely service for Wisconsin citizens.

### **REAL ESTATE**

The Register of Deeds office is an important part of the county's economic system, much of the county's wealth is determined from the land within our county. The data we collect is used to create tax rolls and update GIS mapping, as well as help financial institutions and title companies provide loans and title insurance.

### **VITAL RECORDS-Birth, Death, Marriage & Divorce**

Vital records document the span of our lives from birth to death. All vital requests must be entered in the state system before being issued to ensure everything is up to date and the record has not been flagged for fraudulent activity. If you were born or married in Wisconsin, you can obtain a birth or marriage certificate in any county throughout the state, thanks to the State Vital Records secured site. Death certificates after 2013 and divorce after 2016 are also available statewide via the secured site. Customers who present proof of identity are able to obtain certified copies of their vital records by applying in person or by standard mail.

### **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

ROD staff provides assistance to title companies, attorneys, surveyors, county employees and the general public. The attached "Who We Serve" sheet outlines the many diverse entities we work with.

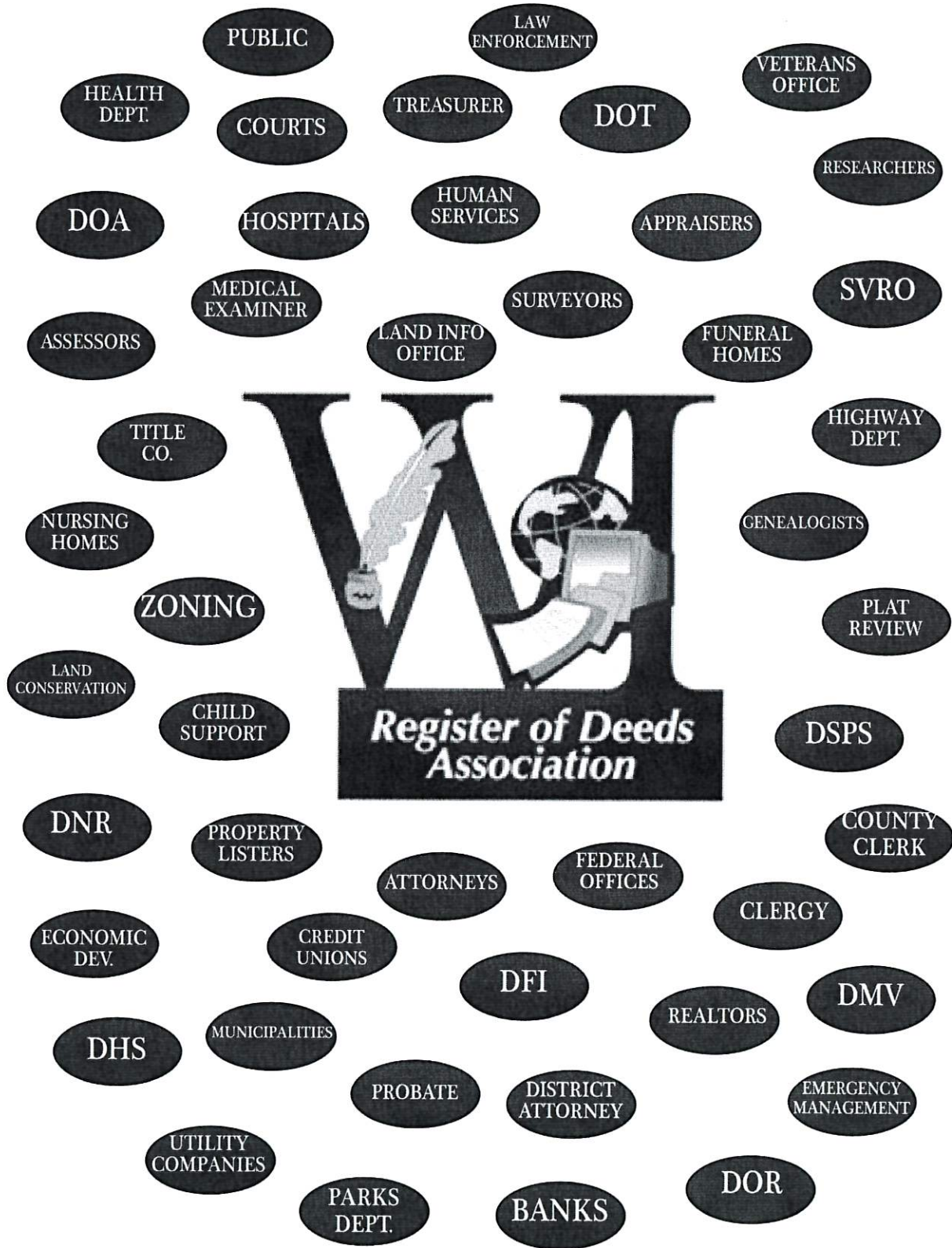
During the pandemic, the ROD office was quick to adapt and to uphold our high level of customer service while still maintaining the health and safety of both our staff and customers. We made changes within our office to accommodate social distancing as much as possible. All of our real estate documents, including all of our survey records dating back to the 1800's, are available online and can be accessed by the public via our LandShark system. Our customers welcome the convenience of using the computer to search rather than pulling out the old books. One of our greatest achievements during the pandemic was getting our Grantor/Grantee indexes available online, located on our Register of Deeds department page on the county website. This allows our customers the ability and convenience to complete their search remotely. In 2021, we added 12 additional volumes to the website, making our Grantor/Grantee indexes dating all the way back to 1835 available.

I would not be able to accomplish all of the duties associated with the office without my Deputy, Renee Bergeron. The ROD office stayed within budget for expenditures and exceeded the 2021 projected revenue budget.

If you have any questions please reach out to me!

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# Who We Serve



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2021 TOTAL INCOME

ACCOUNTS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTALS
REAL ESTATE	6,640.00	7,905.00	8,805.00	8,845.00	8,435.00	9,570.00	8,535.00	6,890.00	8,000.00	9,285.00	7,960.00	7,145.00	98,015.00
COUNTY LAND RECORD FEES	2,610.00	3,102.00	3,462.00	3,456.00	3,270.00	3,684.00	3,330.00	2,712.00	3,132.00	3,654.00	3,054.00	2,766.00	38,232.00
STATE LAND RECORD FEES	3,045.00	3,619.00	4,039.00	4,032.00	3,815.00	4,298.00	3,885.00	3,164.00	3,654.00	4,263.00	3,563.00	3,227.00	44,604.00
WI TRANSFER FEES 80-20	30,063.90	31,703.10	40,139.10	48,938.10	50,644.80	80,034.60	66,572.40	55,762.80	44,476.80	39,244.50	44,389.20	68,061.60	600,030.90
LAND RECORD/PUBLIC ACCESS	870.00	1,034.00	1,154.00	1,152.00	1,090.00	1,228.00	1,110.00	904.00	1,044.00	1,218.00	1,018.00	922.00	12,744.00
CERTIFIED COPIES	1,403.00	790.00	1,340.00	972.00	775.00	1,257.00	1,451.00	1,339.00	1,113.00	1,377.00	1,287.00	1,095.00	14,199.00
BIRTH STATE FEES	231.00	259.00	280.00	308.00	294.00	427.00	343.00	497.00	315.00	203.00	245.00	161.00	3,563.00
BIRTH ONLINE	264.00	296.00	320.00	352.00	336.00	488.00	392.00	568.00	360.00	232.00	280.00	184.00	4,072.00
DEATH ONLINE	312.00	234.00	286.00	234.00	143.00	182.00	156.00	260.00	286.00	208.00	221.00	312.00	2,834.00
MARRIAGE ONLINE	338.00	260.00	234.00	299.00	182.00	481.00	585.00	286.00	416.00	520.00	260.00	182.00	4,043.00
DIVORCE ONLINE			26.00			13.00					13.00		52.00
DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP OL													0.00
REGISTER OF DEEDS COPIES	156.00	314.00	357.00	391.00	334.00	529.00	505.00	265.00	436.00	408.00	220.00	398.00	4,313.00
SUBSCRIPTION REVENUE	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	27,000.00
LANSHARK FEES	4,561.00	4,232.00	5,713.00	4,719.00	4,544.00	4,063.00	3,373.00	4,134.00	3,135.00	3,361.00	2,977.00	4,026.00	48,838.00
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TOTAL	52,743.90	55,998.10	68,405.10	75,948.10	76,112.80	108,504.60	92,487.40	79,031.80	68,617.80	66,223.50	67,737.20	90,729.60	902,539.90

SUMMARY OF FEES COLLECTED IN 2021

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLLECTED</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
REAL ESTATE RECORDING FEE COUNTY	\$ 98,015.00			\$ 98,015.00
COUNTY LAND RECORD FEE	\$ 38,232.00		\$ 38,232.00	
STATE LAND RECORD FEE	\$ 44,604.00	\$ 44,604.00		
WISCONSIN TRANSFER FEE 80/20	\$ 600,030.90	\$ 480,024.72		\$120,006.18
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LAND RECORD/PUBLIC ACCESS	\$12,744.00		\$ 12,744.00	
CERTIFIED COPIES	\$ 14,199.00			\$ 14,199.00
CHILD ABUSE TRUST	\$ 3,563.00	\$ 3,563.00		
BIRTH ONLINE	\$ 4,072.00	\$ 4,072.00		
DEATH ONLINE	\$ 2,834.00	\$ 2,834.00		
MARRIAGE ONLINE	\$ 4,043.00	\$ 4,043.00		
DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP ONLINE	\$ -	\$ -		
DIVORCE ONLINE	\$ 52.00	\$ 52.00		\$ -
REGISTER OF DEEDS COPIES	\$ 4,313.00			\$ 4,313.00
LANDSHARK FEES	\$ 48,838.00		\$ -	\$ 48,838.00
SUBSCRIPTION REVENUE	\$ 27,000.00			\$ 27,000.00
	\$ -			\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 902,539.90</b>	<b>\$ 539,192.72</b>	<b>\$ 50,976.00</b>	<b>\$ 312,371.18</b>

