

The Recorder, formerly Register of Deeds, is an elected position in Wells County. The Recorder acts as a custodian of all land records in the county and is responsible for recording and processing all legal documents related to real estate. The documents include all varieties of deeds, probate instruments, patents, plats, contracts for deed, mortgages, assignments, satisfactions, releases, easements, highway right-of-way instruments, oil and gas leases, affidavits and many other related documents. File personal property liens in the statewide central indexing system, which links all 53 counties and the Secretary of State's Office. File Wills for safekeeping. Effective Dec 1st, 2005 the office received the non-judicial duties, consisting of Marriage License, Passports, Death Certificates, Military Discharge and Toxicology Reports.