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2021 NDACO OFFICIALS ACADEMY

**ROLE OF THE  
COUNTY RECORDER**

# HISTORY

- Formally Organized in 1889 as the Register of Deeds
- Register of Deeds Association was established in 1928
- Title changed to County Recorder in 2001
- Elected and Appointed
  - Elected for 4 year terms



# “KEEPER OF THE RECORDS”



- Land Records
- Survey Monument Records
- Wills
- Marriage Records
- Burial Permits
- Military Discharge Records – DD214

## INTEROFFICE COLLABORATION

- Auditor
- Treasurer
- Tax Director
- Road Superintendent
- State's Attorney
- Sheriff's Department
- Clerk of District Court
- Veteran's Service Officer
- Emergency Manager
- Social Services

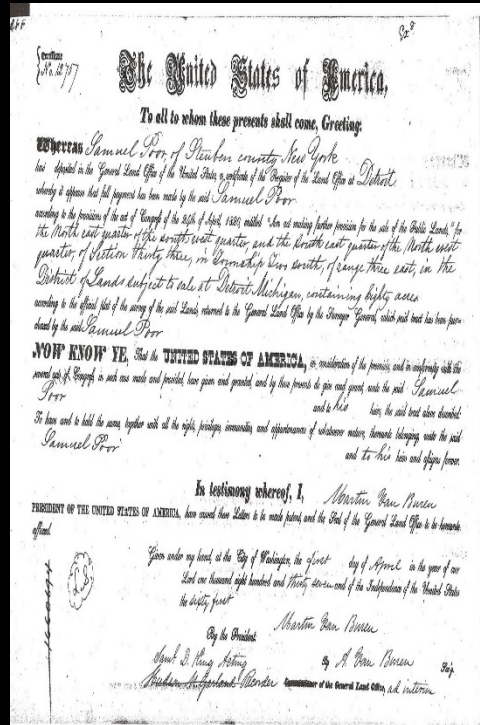


# OTHER COLLABORATIONS

- North Dakota Association of Counties
- Secretary of State
- Attorney General's Office
- Vital Statistics
- ITD
- North Dakota Legislature



# LAND RECORDS



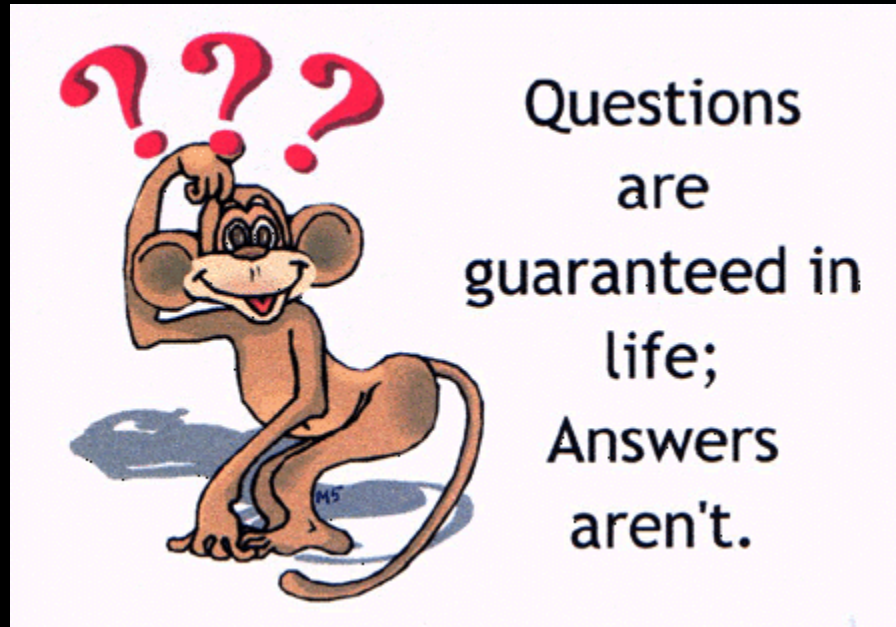
- Permanent Record of Property Ownership
- County Recordors are the stewards of these records
  - Document Recording
  - Land Record Searches
  - Permanent Document Preservation
- North Dakota Century Code (NDCC)

# OTHER RECORDER DUTIES



- Perform Marriage Ceremonies
- Passport Acceptance Agent
- Combined Offices
  - 23 with Clerk of District Court
  - 2 with Treasurer
  - 1 with Tax Director
  - 1 also Superintendent of School Designee
  - 1 also IT Coordinator
  - 1 with Clerk of Court, Risk Manager~ CEG and Treasurer

# QUESTIONS



Questions  
are  
guaranteed in  
life;  
Answers  
aren't.