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Due to the COVID-19 outbreak resulting in a declaration of national, state and local emergency, the following steps will be implemented temporarily by the Register of Deeds. Our office will be open normal business hours however process changes and suggestions are as follows:

We urge those that need to record documents consider electronic recording. The vendor for our office is Simplifile and they will waive start-up and annual fees during this time for new submitters. The website is Simplifile.com.

Couples that need to apply for a marriage license should call our office and make an appointment. We ask that the couple only come in and bring the completed application with them. This application can be found on our county website.

Anyone that needs to record an Assumed Business Name should call the office for further details and assistance.

Any Notary Public that needs to take their oath of office should call to make an appointment.

Any veteran that needs to record or obtain a copy of their discharge should call our office for assistance.

As discussed, funeral home staff should call our office upon arriving at the courthouse and an employee will retrieve the request at the specified location. FH staff will wait there while the request is processed and returned by the ROD staff.

For requests to obtain vital records call our office for further details and assistance. If you must come in to obtain the record we ask that ONLY the requesting party come to the office.

Our search engine is available from our website, www.rutherfordcountync.gov, and images with indexes are there from 1974 forward. If you need a copy of a record that is not online, please call our office for assistance PRIOR to coming in to get the record.

Our goal is to keep staff and citizens healthy. We do not want to close the office so let's all work together for the wellbeing of everyone. Please feel free to call our office with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your cooperation

Rachel Thomas