



To: All Illinois Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company
 From: WFG Underwriting Department
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 Subject: Update Regarding Illinois Governmental Recording and County Offices

To All WFG Agents doing business in Illinois,

It has come to our attention that certain governmental offices that all of us rely on in the Chicago Metro area (Cook County) to conduct business are closing or operating with reduced staff. WFG is committed to provide you with solutions so that you can facilitate transactions through these closures. See below for an update. We will continue to update you as this information changes.

COOK COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
CLOSED	CLOSED	OPEN	CLOSED

Title commitments with sold taxes in Cook County, should display a tax exception indicating tax information is incomplete. For these files, please work with your Illinois underwriter to set up and approve an appropriate Title Indemnity to close.

Current tax bills and 2018 tax bills can be paid through ACH; any open item or forfeited taxes will need to be mailed in (not FedEx).

The Cook County Recorder of Deeds office is currently CLOSED to the public. Recordable documents can be e-recorded (this would include deeds and mortgages for Cook). You will not be able to e-record a facsimile or a scrivener’s affidavit.

LAKE COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

MCHENRY COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

DUPAGE COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

KANE COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

Kane County Recorder – OPEN, BUT LIMITED. On Tuesday, March 17, 2020, the physical recorder’s office will be reduced to only one employee. Recordings can be still be dropped off or e-recorded.

KENDALL COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

WILL COUNTY

Treasurer	Assessor	Clerk	Recorder
OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

As the current situation is fluid, information can change rapidly. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions and/or concerns that you may have. We are here for you during these difficult times.

If you have any questions at all pertaining to this Bulletin or with Illinois transactions in general, please do not hesitate to contact your Indiana state underwriter, Stanley J. Czaja, at (773) 706-3779 or via email at SCzaja@wfgnationaltitle.com.

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