



# THE MORRIS COUNTY CLERK CHRONICLE



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## July 1, to Sept. 30, 2022

Deeds Recorded	5,624
Mortgages Recorded:	13,551
Notary Public Commissions Recorded:	933
Trade Name Certificates Recorded:	85
Total Documents Recorded:	26,690
Passport Applications Processed:	1,516
State Realty Transfer Fee Revenue:	\$21,788,691.23
County Realty Transfer Fee Revenue:	\$3,030,989.25
Total Realty Transfer Tax Revenue:	\$24,819,680.48
Total Receipts Collected:	\$26,173,167.26
<b>Total Given to County:</b>	<b>\$2,705,801.02</b>

## QUARTERLY UPDATE

Morris County Clerk, Ann F. Grossi, Esq., is pleased to announce that her office is in “full swing” as she has resumed her full “outreach” programs to better acquaint and educate the residents of Morris County. Services and benefits are available to all county residents; namely, Senior ID Cards, Veterans ID Cards, Gold Star Family ID cards and our “Operation Give Back” booklets which gives discounts on services and products to our Veterans. If your club or organization would like to schedule Clerk Grossi to speak at your meeting, please email your request to [ccoutreach@co.morris.nj.us](mailto:ccoutreach@co.morris.nj.us).

The Clerk’s Office has recently updated our “Operation Give Back” booklet which highlights Morris County businesses that have signed on to offer discounts and services to all Veterans. These businesses receive a plaque and window decal to display so Veterans know they are a participating business. The benefit is twofold: the Veteran receives the discount and/or service and a participating business gets a new customer. It’s a win-win!! The booklet is available to all Veterans and their family members. They can come to the office and ask for the booklet, call and request one be sent to them or print it from the County’s website at [www.morriscountyclerk.org](http://www.morriscountyclerk.org).

One of the more endearing and enjoyable functions that Clerk Grossi performs are Marriage Ceremonies. Clerk Grossi is authorized by the State of New Jersey to officiate at weddings, and several have been performed recently. For more details, please visit our website: [www.morriscountyclerk.org](http://www.morriscountyclerk.org) (under Services) or call 973-285-6125 to schedule a wedding date.

Election season is upon us again and the Election Department was busy replying to requests for mail-in-ballots and opt-out requests, for those who prefer to vote in person. The office prepared over 53,000 mail-in-ballots for Morris County residents who have opted to vote by mail.

The Passport Department has been extremely busy with the influx of would-be travelers. It appears that after having been housebound for so long because of COVID, traveling “anywhere” is the cure! To further accommodate our residents, the Passport Department is open Thursday nights until 7:30 p.m. All passports are by appointment only. Call the Passport Department at 973-285-6161 to make your appointment.

## About the Clerk's Office

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### 4 H Club

Every year, the Morris County Clerk's Office participates in the 4 H Fair held in July at the Chubb Park in Chester. The 4 H Fair features crafts made by local club members. The 4 H is a US based network of youth organizations dedicated to promoting their mission of "engaging youth to reach their fullest potential". The organization's logo is a 4-leaf clover. The 4 H's represent "head, heart, hands and health".

#### Eagle Scout Presentation

Clerk Grossi was honored to attend the award ceremony recognizing Morris County resident, Nicholas Murello as he was presented with the Boy Scouts of America highest honor – Eagle Scout. To achieve this recognition, the recipient must have demonstrated the highest level of community service and have risen through the ranks of his troop as a leader among them. Morris County Clerk, Ann F. Grossi, Esq., presented Nicholas with a Proclamation attesting to his achievement. Congratulations Nicholas.

#### Canal Day

Each year, the Morris County Clerk's Office participates in the Wharton Canal Day event held at the High Force Canal Park. This year was especially important, as after more than a decade of planning and rebuilding, one of the locks of the Morris canal was reopened for the enjoyment of the Morris County residents. For those who are unfamiliar with the lock system on the Morris Canal, this is how goods were moved from Jersey City to Phillipsburg through a series of locks that elevated or lowered the barges along the canal.

#### Seniors

In addition to the County offering a Senior ID for our senior residents, the Morris County Clerk's Office schedules out-of-the-office events to accommodate the needs of our elderly residents. Since many of the seniors do not drive any longer, the Senior ID is a great form of ID for them. If they are unable to get to our office, we bring the office to them. If you are interested in scheduling an event for your senior group, kindly email to [ccoutreach@co.nj.us](mailto:ccoutreach@co.nj.us).

*The Morris County Clerk is a "Constitutional Officer" holding a 5-year position that is established by the New Jersey Constitution. The position was initially created to serve the public by acting as the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions though duties have grown to include the recording and maintenance of every conveyance of real property such as deeds, mortgages, liens, maps and other related legal documents.*

*The Morris County Clerk's Office is also a passport application acceptance facility. Our office issues ID cards to Morris County senior residents and veterans. Our office records military discharges of veterans (DD-214), administer the oath of office to all Notary Publics, and record the trade name certificates of all non-incorporated businesses. The County Clerk even officiates marriage ceremonies regularly!*

*In addition, the Morris County Clerk's Office administers several important election functions. These include the preparation and mailing of all mail-in and sample ballots, the acceptance of nominating petitions, the design and preparation of voting machine ballot layouts and the tallying of election results.*

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