## Effective August 6, 2012

And by Sampson County Resolution, the Register of Deeds shall not accept any deed, transferring real property for registration unless the Tax Administrator's office has stamped the deed certifying that no delinquent tax liens exist on the Parcel located on the face of the deed.

The Register of Deeds shall accept without certification a deed submitted under the supervision of a closing attorney, and containing this statement on the deed:

"This instrument prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_\_, a licensed North Carolina attorney. Delinquent taxes, if any, to be paid by closing attorney to the County Tax Collector upon disbursement of closing proceeds."

To obtain a blank Tax Certification page see quick links on the Sampson County Register of Deeds home page.

For more information concerning delinquent taxes, please contact the Tax Administrator's Office: 126 West Elizabeth Street Clinton, North Carolina 28328 910-592-8146

## DOCUMENT RECORDING CHECKLIST

- Grantor's signature must be properly notarized.
- Documents originating in North Carolina must show the draftsman's name on the first page of the document.
- Deeds must have grantee address affixed on the first page for tax billing purposes.
- The Real Estate Excise Tax must be paid at the time of recording. The current tax rate of \$2.00 per \$1,000 of the purchase price of the real estate.
- The required recording fees must be paid at the time of recording all documents. The current fees may be found by going to: <a href="https://www.sampsonrod.org">www.sampsonrod.org</a> and clicking under the QUICK LINKS section on the FEE SCHEDULE option.

## **RECORDING STANDARDS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002:**

- Documents printed on 8 ½" x 11" or 8 ½" x 14" paper.
- Has a blank margin at the top of the first page of 3" and ½" on the remaining sides of the first page and ½" on all sides of subsequent pages.
- Typed or printed in black ink on white paper in a legible font that is not smaller than 10 points in size.
- Is printed in single-sided pages.
- Indicates the type of instrument at the top of the first page.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If any document presented for recording does not meet ALL of the requirements a fee of \$25.00 must be collected for filing a "nonstandard document".

G.S. 161-10(a) (19). This fee is in addition to the applicable recording fees.

UCC's prepared on the Standard national or State forms are EXEMPT from the recording standards.

Payments accepted: Cash, Local Checks, Credit Cards (Mastercard / VISA), Money Orders or Certified Check.

Payable to: "SAMPSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS"