

Jasper County Register of Deeds Minimum Recording Requirements

These are minimum requirements for recording documents in the Jasper County Register of Deeds Office only. **This is not to be utilized as legal advice.** Please contact an attorney for further instructions.

Deeds:

1. Grantor(s) name
2. Grantee(s) name and address
3. Legal description – sufficient enough to locate property (NO street addresses)
4. Derivation clause – previous deed filing information
5. Original signature(s) of Grantor(s)
6. 2 different witnesses (1 witness can also be the notary)
7. Either an Acknowledgment or Probate – notary's Affiant Statement is not sufficient
8. Documentary Stamps - \$3.70 per thousand plus filing fee (see filing fees)
9. Affidavit of Consideration needed only in cases where amount is not stated on document or when deed is exempt from documentary stamps.

Mortgages:

1. Mortgagor(s) name
2. Mortgagee(s) name and address
3. Legal description - sufficient enough to locate property (NO street addresses)
4. Derivation clause – previous deed filing information
5. Original signature(s) of Mortgagor(s)
6. 2 different witnesses (1 witness can also be the notary)
7. Either an Acknowledgment or Probate – notary's Affiant Statement is not sufficient
8. Appropriate filing fee (see filing fees)

Plats:

1. Must be approved by Zoning or Planning Department
2. Surveyor's name, address and signature
3. Embossed seal of surveyor
4. If surveyor represents a survey company must have Certificate of Authorization seal.
5. Vicinity Map
6. North Arrow
7. Graphic Scale
8. Acreage
9. Owners name, prepared for, or at the request of...
10. Appropriate filing fee (see filing fees)
11. No plat over 8 1/2 X 14 can be attached to other documents as an Exhibit. Large plats must be filed independently.

Floor Plans:

1. Must be accompanied by either original survey or certified copy of survey from Register of Deeds Office
2. Each page is charged filing fee including survey page (see filing fees)

Affidavits:

1. Must have names of both parties

2. If referencing a previously filed document, must provide recording information for referenced document.
3. NO witnesses required
4. Notary Affiant Statement

Power of Attorneys:

1. Must have names of both parties.
2. 2 different witnesses needed.
3. Acknowledgment or Probate needed
4. Military Powers of Attorney do not require witnesses or notary

Satisfactions:

1. Must state in some similar wording "paid & satisfied"
2. Date of satisfaction
3. Names of both parties
4. If satisfaction is on the original document, only 1 witness required
5. Must have recording information of original Mortgage
6. If the original document is not used, must provide a Lost-Form Affidavit

All other documents:

1. 2 witnesses
2. Probate or Acknowledgment
3. Property description or reference to previously recorded documents

UCC 1 (original filing)

1. Debtor's name and address
2. Secured party name and address
3. Collateral must be real estate (personal property is filed with Secretary of State)
4. Box 6 must be checked indicating cross reference into real estate records
5. No signatures are required

UCC 3 (includes assignments, amendments, partial release & termination)

1. Debtor's name
2. Secured party name
3. reference number of original filing
4. If partial release, must identify property being released
5. No signatures required

Mechanic's Lien:

1. Plaintiff's name
2. Defendant's name
3. Amount owed
4. State of Account attached
5. signature of Plaintiff or it's attorney
6. No witnesses required
7. Must be notarized

Project Commencement:

1. Name and address of filer
2. Name and address of the owner or developer
3. general description of the property
4. location of project (preferably legal description or tax map number)