

# Miami-Dade County Clerk of Courts Technical Services Division

# OFFICIAL RECORDS PUBLIC ACCESS FOLDER DESCRIPTION

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The Clerk of the Courts provides a daily file containing all official records information processed by the court the previous day. This file can be downloaded by the interested parties from the County's site.

Official Records extracts are in the form of ASCII text files in which records are delimited by a caret (^) and have a variable length. The extract files contain the following record structure:



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# **Daily Files**

Official Records File Structure (File Definition)

File Name: mmddyyyy.exp File Name

Run Frequency: Daily

**Description:** This file contains all recorded or updated recorded

documents as of the previous business day. It contains recordable documents such as deeds, mortgages, liens,

certain affidavits, subdivision plats, judgments, declarations of domicile, satisfactions and releases,

powers of attorney and financial statements.

Sample File: mmddyyyy.xls Sample File

FIELD DESCRIPTION	FIELD TYPE	COMMENT
CFN Number	NUMBER(4)	The Clerk's File Number is a sequential identifier assigned by the Clerk's Office to the first page of a recorded document. For example 02 represents the year the document with Clerk's File Number = 02R000001 was recorded.  The size of this field was increase by two digits to include the century as part of the year. For the example above, the value 2002 will be stored for this field in the database.
CFN Sequence	NUMBER(10)	The second component of the Clerk's File Number represents the sequence assigned to the document at the time it is filed.



FIELD DESCRIPTION	FIELD TYPE	COMMENT
Group ID	NUMBER (5)	Group identifier within a Clerk's
		File Number.
Recording Date	NUMBER (8)	The recording date of the document.
Recording Time	CHAR(6)	The recording time of the
		document.
Recording Book	NUMBER(14)	The recording book and page
		printed on the first page of the
		document. The book number
		specifies the reel of film where the
		document can be located. For
		example 111/222 (book=111 and
		page=222)
Recording Page	NUMBER(5)	The recording page assigned to the
		document. The page number
		specifies the frame number in a reel
		of film where the document can be
		located.
Book Type	CHAR(2)	The type of book. For
		example, Mortgages will be
		recorded in Official Record
		Books
Document Pages	NUMBER(5)	The amount of pages contained
		within the document.
Append Pages	NUMBER(5)	The amount of pages appended to
		the document after recorded. Also
		known as "A" pages.
Document Type	CHAR(15)	The County code assigned to a
		document based on the instrument
		type. For example "MOR" will be
		assigned to a Mortgage.
Document Type	CHAR(40)	A description of the County code
Description		assigned to the document. For
		example a "MORTGAGE" is the



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description of a document type "MOR".
Date the document was created.
Parties are now being stored differently. All parties associated with the document will be listed in the "First Party" field. The "First Party Code" field will determine the role of the party within the document.  The following is an example of a Mortgage in the current format.  The grantee or borrower is stored as the first party and the Grantor is stored as a second party:  Doc Type First Party Second Party MOR Person Bank  A Representation of the same document in the new format:  Doc Type First Party First Party  Cross Party Code Name  MOR Person D Bank A MOR  Bank A R Person.  Please note that only First Party information is included in this field.  In addition, the First Party Code represents the role of the document where D = Direct and R = Reverse.



FIELD DESCRIPTION	FIELD TYPE	COMMENT
First Party Code	CHAR(1)	Specifies the role of the party.
		Possible values are: D=DIRECT,
		R=REVERSE.
Cross Party Name	CHAR(100)	See First Party
Original CFN Year	NUMBER(4)	A reference to the year component
		of the Clerk's File Number of the
		original document. For example, a
		Satisfaction of Mortgage may
		include a reference to the Clerk's
		File Number of the Mortgage
		document.
Original CFN Seq.	NUMBER(10)	A reference to the sequence
		component of the Clerk's File
		Number of the original document.
		For example, a Satisfaction of
		Mortgage may include a reference
		to the Clerk's File Number of the
		Mortgage document.
Original Recording Book	NUMBER(14)	A reference to the recording book of
		the original document. For example,
		a Satisfaction of Mortgage may
		include a reference to the recording
		book of the Mortgage document.
Original Recording Page	NUMBER(5)	A reference to the recording page of
		the original document. For example,
		a Satisfaction of Mortgage may
		include a reference to the recording
		page of the Mortgage document.
Original Misc. Reference	CHAR(50)	A reference to the original
		document, which is not, a Clerk's
		File Number or a recording book or
		page. It may be an address, dollar
		amount, civil case number, etc.
Subdivision Name	CHAR(90)	The name of the subdivision where



		the property is located.
Folio Number	NUMBER(15)	The number used by the property
		Appraisal's Office to identify the
		property.
Legal Description	CHAR(100)	The legal description of the
		property.
Section	CHAR(5)	A surveyor's representation of raw
		acreage.
Township	CHAR(5)	A surveyor's representation of raw
_		acreage.
Range	CHAR(5)	A surveyor's representation of raw
		acreage.
Plat Book	NUMBER(14)	A Plat Book/Page identifies a
		subdivision.
Plat Page	NUMBER(5)	A Plat Book/Page identifies a
		subdivision.
Block	CHAR(20)	The block number where the
		property is located within the
		subdivision.
Case Number	CHAR(30)	The case number associated with
		the document when applicable.
Consideration 1	NUMBER(16.2)	Financial Information.
Consideration 2	NUMBER(16.2)	Financial Information.
Deed Doc Tax	NUMBER(16.2)	Financial Information.
Single Family	CHAR(1)	Financial Information. $Y = YES$ .
Surtax	NUMBER(16.2)	Financial Information.
Intangible	NUMBER(16.2)	Financial Information.
Doc Stamps	NUMBER(16.2)	Financial Information.
Key	CHAR(13)	Uniquely identifies each record.
		May be used to synchronize the
		subscriber's database with Miami-
		Dade County's.
Transaction Type	CHAR(1)	Type of operation performed on the



FIELD DESCRIPTION	FIELD TYPE	COMMENT
		data (I=Insert, U=Update,
		D=Delete).
		The system assigned sequence
Party Sequence	NUMBER(5)	number for each party name.
		The last date the document was
Modified Date	NUMBER(8)	updated in the system.