



OCEAN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE



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New Business Ventures Start at Clerk's Office

On a daily basis Ocean County residents starting a new business visit the Ocean County Clerk's Office to file a Trade Name. Last year 930 individuals from Ocean County had their trade name certificate recorded at the County Clerk's Office as they joined thousands of Americans across our nation in starting a new business.

Individuals conducting or transacting business under any assumed name or designation are required to file a business trade name certificate with the County Clerk's Office. Applicants simply complete a registration form which states the name, nature, address of the business and the names/residence addresses of the business owners. The registration form must be notarized and the fee is \$50.00. Banks or financial institutions require a Trade Name Certificate when opening business accounts.



Scott M. Colabella
Ocean County Clerk

Any individual thinking about starting a new business should contact the Ocean County Clerk's Office Trade Name Office at 732-506-5198 or go online to www.oceancountyclerk.com to access additional information.



The Monthly RECAP.

During the month of April 2012 the Ocean County Clerk's Office Recording Services staff placed 1,256 deeds and 2,419 mortgages on record. Over \$2.6 million in revenue was collected from fees as mandated by New Jersey law for the recording of document transactions submitted to our office in the month of April. Of that total, \$918,740 was delivered to the County of Ocean, and over \$1.7 million was forwarded to the State of New Jersey.

In April, 1,397 U.S. Passport applications were processed (14 Passports at the Court House in Toms River, 986 at the County Connection at the Ocean County Mall, 350 at the Northern Resource Center in Lakewood, 3 via the Mobile County Connection Bus, and 44 at the Southern Service Center in Manahawkin). In addition, 184 Notary Public applications were processed (36 at the Court House in Toms River, 103 at the County Connection at the Ocean County Mall, 22 at the Northern Resource Center in Lakewood, and 23 at the Southern Service Center in Manahawkin). A total of 26 Ocean County Veterans had their Honorable Military Discharge papers (DD-214 form) placed on record (16 at the Court House and 10 at the Southern Service Center in Manahawkin) and 54 individuals filed for a Trade Name to establish a new business (53 at the Court House and 1 in Manahawkin). Finally, in April, 507 Lakewood registered voters were issued Mail-In Ballots for the Lakewood School Election and 4,188 Ocean County registered voters were issued Mail-In ballots for the June Primary Election.

June Primary & School Election Deadlines

Numerous important election date deadlines occur during the month of May and early June. Tuesday, May 15th is the last day to register to vote in the June 5th Primary Election. May 29th is the last day the County Clerk can accept a Mail-In Ballot application through the mail for the June 5th Primary. After May 29th all registered voters seeking a Mail-In Ballot for the Primary must appear in person at the County Clerk's Election Office in Toms River to apply and obtain a Mail-In Ballot up and until 3:00 PM Monday, June 4th.

Tuesday, June 5th is Primary Election Day and polls are open 6:00 AM until 8:00PM. June 5th is also the Petition Filing Deadline for all Independent candidates seeking office in the November General Election as well as School Board Candidates seeking office in November. Additional information on the June Primary Election or School Board Candidate information can be obtained by contacting the Ocean County Clerk's Election Office at (732) 929-2153.





2012 "My County" Poster Contest Winners from Left to Right: Mia Avenoso, First Place, Lanoka Harbor School; Christian Alino, Second Place, Drum Point Road School in Brick; Sean Toner, Third Place, Joseph T. Donahue School in Barnegat; Victoria Benesch, Honorable Mention, St. Joseph School in Toms River. Honoring the students were from Left to Right: Ocean County Undersheriff William T. Sommeling, Ocean County Clerk Scott M. Colabella, Ocean County Freeholders Joseph H. Vicari, John P. Kelly, James F. Lacey, Freeholder Director Gerry P. Little and Ocean County Surrogate Jeffrey W. Moran.

2012 "My County" Poster Contest Top 4 Winners

Four Ocean County Fourth Grade Students were recently honored as the top winners of the 2012 "My County" Poster Contest in recognition of National County Government Month.

93 Fourth grade students from 34 schools throughout Ocean County participated in the contest to promote awareness of County government and its functions. Fourth graders were invited to design a poster that depicts all that's special and unique about Ocean County. The winners were each presented with a certificate from Ocean County Officials at a ceremony held in the County Administration Building in Toms River during a meeting of the County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Parents, family members, teachers and various school officials attended the awards ceremony commending all of the students for participating in the contest. We are proud to have so many talented Fourth Graders in Ocean County.

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OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

John C. Bartlett, Jr. John P. Kelly James F. Lacey
Gerry P. Little Joseph H. Vicari

4 CONVENIENT LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU

Ocean County Court House
 118 Washington St., Toms River
 732-929-2018

County Connection
 Ocean County Mall
 Hooper Ave., Toms River
 732-288-7777

Northern Resource Center
 225 4th St., Lakewood
 732-370-8850

Southern Service Center
 179 South Main St., Manahawkin
 609-597-1500

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