



EUGENE "GENE" MOORE

RECORDER OF DEEDS / REGISTRAR OF TORRENS TITLES
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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Bernard J. Youngblood, Register of Deeds
Wayne County Register of Deeds
International Center Building
400 Monroe Street, 7th Floor
Detroit, MI 48226

Dear Register Youngblood,

A few years ago, I and my Chief Deputy Darlena Williams – Burnett visited your Fraud Unit in the Register of Deeds Office. At that time, your unit was in its beginning stages and now has grown due to the increased demand for its services with a current 100% conviction rate. I applaud not only your efforts, but the commitment and collaboration of previous Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans, current Wayne County Sheriff Benny N. Napoleon, and Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy. Since my visit to your Fraud Unit, I have been devoted to trying to establish an investigative property fraud unit here in the office of the Cook County Recorder of Deeds. I am pleased to announce that the Cook County Board has approved the creation of such unit in my office.

Property fraud hurts us all and I am dedicated to doing what I can to help stop this devastating crime. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks to you and your staff for agreeing to a site visit of your Fraud Unit. Your unit is well recognized throughout the nation for its successful program. I am positive that our newly formed Fraud Unit will bring back many innovative ideas, processes, and a wealth of knowledge for us to review as we build our program here in Cook County.

Truly I am appreciative of Wayne County's collaborative spirit and assistance. If my office can ever be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us. Again, thank you for the opportunity and we look forward to continuing to network with Wayne County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eugene Moore". The signature is stylized with large loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Eugene Moore
Cook County Recorder of Deeds

CC: Darlena Williams – Burnett, Cook County Chief Deputy Recorder of Deeds