

## **Warning – Deed Scam**

Hertford County Register of Deeds Melanie Storey wants to warn county residents about a deed scam occurring across the state.

Companies identified as Record Transfer Services and Property Profile Inc. are offering land owners a current grant deed or other record of title and property assessment profile for a fee of \$83 - \$86. The North Carolina Attorney General's Office has gone to court to stop similar mailings, including one mailed into the state by a California firm named Local Records Office.

Citizens should be warned that this information is public record and can be obtained for a minimal fee from the Hertford County Register of Deeds office. If you have any questions, call 1-252-358-7850.

If you receive one of these mailings, or if you know of anyone who paid money in response to one of these type mailings, please contact the North Carolina Department of Justice Consumer Protection Division and ask for Julie Daniel. The telephone number is 919-716-6000.