

Scam Alert: Certified Deed Copies

Many Lancaster County residents have recently received letters from a company called National Deed Service, Inc., who is offering to sell them a certified copy of their property deed for \$69.50. *Please note, National Deed Service, Inc. is NOT affiliated with or acting on the behalf of Lancaster County or any Lancaster County office.*

You may obtain a copy of your deed directly from the office of the Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds for a charge of \$.25 per page. If you would like your deed certified by our office, there is a charge of \$10.00 per document. **There is no need to pay the price of \$69.50.**

You may also obtain deed copies from our website free of charge. You can even obtain a certified copy of any document available on our website for a flat charge of \$5.00 per document. The online certified document contains the United States Postal Service electronic postmark, which is registered by the United States Postal Service to prevent fraud.

Please keep in mind you should have received your original deed soon after purchasing your home. The Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds diligently records and protects your records. You may get copies of any of our documents on our website at <http://www.lancasterdeeds.com> for free.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann M. Hess".

Ann M. Hess, Recorder of Deeds