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THE QUILL ARTICLE

Odyssey: Meck County is Next!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! The day we have been waiting for is coming to pass on October 9, 2023. Yes, Mecklenburg County will be joining the four pilot counties of Harnett, Johnston, Lee, and Wake on their migration to the new Odyssey system!

The AOC has had since February to work out some of the many frustrations and bugs in the new system and now it's time for another one of the most populous counties in NC to join in. We've all heard stories of the problems with the initial migrations and praised the correct decision to delay Mecklenburg's migration. Now, the AOC believes they're ready to kick the Hornet's Nest.

Improved search features and functionalities have been implemented, including wildcard searches, “against” searches, and advanced filters to better whittle down

the results to a useable form number. Additionally, e-filing will be available for court filings. For those of you who would like a preview on how to use the new system, check out the [NC Courts](#) website for more information.

I'm hopeful this new system will lead us to faster and cleaner searches than the VCAP system we've all come to know. But I do recognize this hasn't been the case so far. I want to give credit to the AOC for seeing the problems, listening to the practitioners, and improving the system. And, especially for delaying implementation on a wider scale until after they fixed some key issues.

Let us know what you think and if you're excited about the migration to Odyssey, or if you think Mecklenburg will meet the same fate as the pilot counties in those early days. Time will tell!

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We know many of you are already interfacing with [titleTRAX](#) to search for prior policies or to submit PTOs electronically to our office. However, we also understand some of you may be unaware of the many benefits this tool offers. In this edition of The Quill, we are excited to share with you the many capabilities of titleTRAX, to ensure you are using this tool to its fullest capacity!

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...from the Barristers Title Team

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If you have been working in the real estate industry long enough, then you know change is inevitable. The market ebbs and flows, there are peaks and valleys, we have gone through periods of feast and famine and the market is so unpredictable, at times. I mean, who could have predicted how the pandemic would affect the real estate industry beginning the mid to late 2020, during and after the world shut down?!

With the many changes we are sure to face in this industry, one thing has not changed, our tremendous gratitude for each and every one of you, our customers! Thank you for everything you do. Most importantly, thank you for your continued support and loyalty to Barristers Title.

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BTS TOP 5 WAYS TO KICK OFF THE FALL SEASON

We love fall as much as you do I'm sure, and before the first dip into the 70's we're ready for everything pumpkin spice and apple pies. Here are our top five ideas for kicking off the fall season!

1. Pick apples at a local orchard. There are many to choose from in our area, but [Skytop Orchard](#) is our favorite! Make sure to call or check the website to see what is currently picking.

2. Attend a live college football game. Pick your favorite team (if you don't have a team check out [UNCC](#) or [Davidson](#)) and enjoy some fresh air and tailgating with friends!

3. Take a hike, day trip to the mountains or schedule a camping trip. And you can never go wrong with a drive along the Blue Ridge Parkway!

4. Go to a corn maze! Click [HERE](#) for 8 corn mazes within an hour of Charlotte.

5. Visit the pumpkin patch. And if you can't wait for pumpkin picking, grab an obligatory pumpkin spice "something" from a coffee shop to get you in the spirit!

Happy Fall Y'all!



THE QUILL MEME

Come on Fall! We know you're out there!

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