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# The Quill – February 2023



## THE QUILL ARTICLE: ODYSSEY: NC Integrated Case Management System

Have you been following the latest and greatest news related to the transition of the NC Court records from paper to digital? Don't worry, we have been monitoring this transition, communicating with our carriers and have a plan in place to help make this transition as easy as possible for our customers!

The transition of North Carolina court records from the present 1980s multiple case management/index systems, including VCAP, to the more up-to-date vendor-provided and hosted Odyssey Integrated Case Management System (Odyssey or ICMS), officially began February 2, 2023 in 4 pilot counties – Wake, Johnston, Harnett and Lee (Track 1). Odyssey is projected to go live in these counties on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Mecklenburg County (Track 2) is up next with a projected go live date 60-90 days after the pilot counties' go live date. The remaining counties are expected to transition in groups and will go live every 60-90 days, thereafter. Though, the timing and

scheduling of the remaining tracks has not been determined, the roll out to all 100 NC counties is expected to take two to three years to complete.

As each county transitions, the clerk's records for that county (judgments, liens, lis pendens, special proceedings) will be unavailable or limited. The VCAP system will be in "inquiry mode" only and no new filings will be added to the legacy system. The courts will accept paper filings during this time. After Odyssey goes live, paper filings will be added to the new case management system.

For closings occurring during the transition period or immediately thereafter, there will be a gap. Barristers Title Services will insure the gap without exception upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the Company that the commitment requirement specifically addressing this gap period is satisfied. Please refer to the Company issued title commitment for the affected counties for the requirement language. In part, the Company will require the NCLTA developed and approved affidavit and indemnity form which you can find [HERE](#). The approved affidavit and indemnity form is only intended to allow for closings that must take place during the county's transition period. It should not take the place of a standard search of the clerk's records, which must be completed when the attorney has full access to the indexes of judgments, etc. In addition, attorneys should update the search of the VCAP system through the last day the system is available in the affected county going through the system migration.

For comprehensive information about eCourts, Odyssey, Portal, eFiling and training materials, please visit the North Carolina Judicial Branch's website at: <https://www.nccourts.gov/ecourts#odyssey-9369>, then click on "I am a Member of the Bar."

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### **TIP:**

#### **What is Portal?**

Portal is the search engine for Odyssey. Portal allows users to view, save, and print case information. Registration as a user is not required. However, registered users are allowed to log in using their selected login credentials and save cases to their online portal account; whereas unregistered users are not able to save cases. Users are encouraged to register on the site.

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## GET TO KNOW

{A Day in the Life Edition}

Cinthya Dasilva, Customer Care Team  
Manager

1. Favorite Breakfast? *Tofu scramble with potatoes!*
2. Coffee vs Tea? *Tea.*
3. Do you prefer working from home or in an office? *Home.*
4. Dinner at the table or on the couch? *Table.*
5. What is your favorite dessert? *I am not much of a dessert person! I'd say probably just a scoop of coconut based vanilla ice cream.*
6. What are you currently watching? *Dahmer on Netflix.*
7. If you had one free hour in your day, what would you do? *Probably read more.*
8. Are you a morning person or night owl? *Morning person.*
9. What is your bedtime? *I try to get to bed by 10pm!*
10. Tell us an interesting fact about yourself that we may not know. *My great grandfather was a famous Brazilian accordionist and singer named Sivuca!*



## SAVE THE DATE

March Madness is coming!

March Madness is around the corner so get ready to switch from football mode and fill out those Barristers brackets.



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