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New Service Provides Birth Certificates from Across NC

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – The Register of Deeds Office is participating in the new Statewide Birth Certificate Issuance Program, which enables Cumberland County residents to obtain a copy of a certified birth certificate for individuals born anywhere in North Carolina from 1972 to the present.

The Register of Deeds is the legally authorized agent of the State Registrar to issue copies of certificates from the Statewide Birth Database, which is maintained by the State Vital Records Office in Raleigh.

"We are pleased to be able to offer this new service to Cumberland County residents. It will allow people to access their birth certificates in a more efficient and cost-effective way," said Register of Deeds Lee Warren. "As one of the pilot counties offering this service, we are helping to work out any unforeseen problems with the new system before it goes statewide by the end of this year."

Cumberland and Harnett were the first two pilot counties to come on board the system in August, according to Warren. Forsyth and Mecklenburg counties started in October, and most other counties will be up and running by the end of the year.

Cost for the service is \$24 to research the certificate in the North Carolina state registry and includes one copy of the certificate. Additional certificates from the same search will be \$15 each. For residents born in Cumberland County the cost for a certificate remains \$10 each.

County residents who would like to take advantage of this service are encouraged to go to the Register of Deeds Office located in Room 114 of the Cumberland County Courthouse, 117 Dick Street. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 678-7775 or visit www.ccrod.org.

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