



Racine County Register of Deeds/Land Description

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October 6, 2025

Eric Mertins
7932 Fox River Rd.
Waterford, WI 53185

Dear Mr. Mertins:

This letter is being sent to acknowledge receipt of your documents brought to the Register of Deeds office on October 2, 2025. Enclosed is your \$30 check. Your documents will not be recorded per the following reasons and can be picked up at our office during regular business hours.

Wis. Stat. Section 59.43(1c)(a) directs the Register of Deeds to record "all deeds, mortgages, maps, instruments and writings authorized by law to be recorded." In a December 2012 opinion, Wisconsin Attorney General J.B. Van Hollen advised that, to be "authorized by law to be recorded" pursuant to that statute, a document must be a "conveyance" or some other instrument that affects title to land in this state within the meaning of Wis. Stat. Section 706.05.

The documents you submitted for recording do not affect title to land in the State of Wisconsin, nor does it fall within any other class of documents that the law requires the Register of Deeds to record. We respectfully request that you refrain from submitting these or substantially similar documents for recording in the future with our office.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karie Pope", is written over the typed name.

Karie Pope

