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We are now a little over a month into our new recording system. We have learned a great deal about our process and team during this transition. It has not always been easy but we can now see clear progress being made on a daily bases.

One process we have had significant issues resolving has been the recording of multiple instruments on one document. In the old pen and paper world we could muscle these documents through the system. However, our new computerized system does not handle multiple sequenced documents very well. When we noticed the problem we called our counterparts in other South Carolina counties with computerized recording system to see how they resolved this dilemma. They told us they had experienced the same issue, and were forced to establish guidelines limiting one instrument per document.

We certainly do not want to force undue hardship on our customers. However, we have come to the conclusion the only way to resolve the issue is to only accept documents with one instrument. Therefore effective immediately we will only record one instrument per document.

I apologize in advance for the inconvenience this may cause some of you. We certainly would not do it if we had any other viable alternative. As always we appreciate your feedback as we move forward in our effort to improve your Register of Deeds Office.

Thank you

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