

# PROPERTY FRAUD ALERT SERVICE

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Customers signing up for this **FREE** service will be notified, by phone or email, of any document recorded with their name in the Official Records of the Pinellas County Clerk's office. Recordable documents include deeds and mortgages among many others.

**Protect your property from fraud today!** Sign up by calling **1-800-728-3858** or visit [www.mypinellasclerk.org](http://www.mypinellasclerk.org).

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## What is this service?

A FREE public service offered by the Pinellas County Clerk's office that can help you detect fraudulent documents recorded with your name in the Clerk's Official Records.

## What does this service monitor?

The name you choose to subscribe (business name, maiden name, married name, etc) is the only criteria being monitored. If you have a common name, you may get multiple alerts since it doesn't distinguish one name from another.

## How does this alert work?

Once you sign up for the service you will receive an alert, from that day forward, of any document recorded with your name in the Official Records. The alert you receive, either by phone or email, will contain the document number and type, along with the recorded date and name. Using this information, you can easily search the Clerk's online Official Records to see if the alert pertains to you.

## What is property fraud and how does it happen?

Property Fraud is when someone illegally uses your property for financial gain. An instance of this entails someone recording a fraudulent deed and/or lien against your property in the Official Records of the Pinellas County Clerk's office.

## Should I be concerned and what can I do about it?

Yes, according to the FBI, property and mortgage fraud is the fastest growing white-collar crime. Don't delay, sign up today to stay informed of what's being recorded in the Official Records.

Sign up for this **FREE** monitoring service through the Clerk's website or by calling the **Property Fraud Alert Hotline** at 1-800-728-3858.

For more information, call Recording Services at (727) 464-4876 or visit [www.mypinellasclerk.org](http://www.mypinellasclerk.org).

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