

## TENESHIA HUDSPETH COUNTY CLERK

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## AN ADDITIONAL 1.2 MILLION MARRIAGE LICENSES ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON THE HARRIS COUNTY CLERK'S WEBSITE

**(Houston, TX)** – The Harris County Clerk's Office (HCCO) has added more than 1.2 million marriage license records to its website. This is part of the digital upgrades that close a gap of about 64 years of marriage license records that can now be viewed and purchased online. The years now available are from 1944 to present day. The gap closed was from 1944-2008, because 2008 to current records were already available online.

"This is a great accomplishment and a demonstration of our commitment to bring our office into the 21 century," said Harris County Clerk Teneshia Hudspeth. "Earlier this year, we digitized all of records archived on microfilm, making it easier for customers to search records online."

HCCO staff has worked diligently with US Imaging to digitally convert film and perform image enhancements. HCCO staff efforts have ranged from developing requirements, providing metadata to the vendor, performing data and image quality integrity checks of returned images, and finally publishing to the county clerk website for public access. Plain and certified copies of these records can now be purchased through HCCO's online web sales portal.

"COVID-19 has changed the way people conduct business and we are doing our best to make it easier for the public to access what they need," added Hudspeth. "Last summer, we launched our e-Commerce website feature that allows clients to retrieve and purchase documents without having to leave their homes."

For questions relating to web sales, please contact the Harris County Information & Public Service Department at (713) 274-6390 or email <a href="mailto:ccoinfoFM@hccountyclerk.com">ccoinfoFM@hccountyclerk.com</a>. To reach other departments call (713) 274-8600. To stay updated about our services, please follow us at @HarrisCoTXClerk on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.