

TO: Plymouth County Registry of Deeds Employees,

Title Examiners, Attorneys and Public Users of the Registry

FROM: John R. Buckley, Jr. Register of Deeds

RE: Upcoming and Notable Land Records Display

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As you have seen, the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, with the help of volunteers, has been progressing forward the development of a series of historical displays reflecting the importance of the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in receiving and preserving land records. We now have instruments available as images dating back to 1620 with many in the hand writing of the original colonists. We have also moved forward a series of displays relating to the history of recording in America. One of the next sections of these displays that we have begun is a display of Plymouth County notable land records. A volunteer Display Committee, which is a sub-committee of our original Building Committee, is advancing that effort. We would like to open this process to our employees, title examiners, attorneys and the general public who are consistently crossing paths in their research with some of the most famous people in America. This display will have a series of eight frames that will rotate on a quarterly basis. They will be located on the far left in the corridor as you enter the building.

We are looking for suggestions from all of you. If you find a particular land record and would like to bring it forward for consideration of our committee, we encourage you to do so. A copy of the document would be helpful along with a brief description in a few sentences as to why that particular document is notable. Those suggestions will be brought forward to the display committee for consideration as part of the revolving display. In the event, you present a document that is chosen for the display, your name will be included in the display as the person who brought forward the instrument. For example, several members of the committee have already laid claim to particular notable land records, such as: Tony Markella has claimed Rocky Marciano, the former heavy weight champion from Brockton, Marilyn Dupuis has claimed the deed for General Tom Thumb property in Middleboro and Paul Garvin has brought forward property from Plymouth held in the name of former Massachusetts Governor with the most identifiable signature of the Declaration of Independence, John Hancock.

If you have any questions about the display and what we are trying to accomplish, please see a member of the Display Committee: Chairman Tony Markella, Marilyn Dupuis, and Paul Garvin are usually available here in the building or Karen Goldstein at Plimoth Plantation.

Thank you and good luck hunting!