

Franklin County Clerk of Courts



Administration Staff Bios



Maryellen O'Shaughnessy, Clerk of Courts



As Clerk of Courts, Maryellen oversees the legally appropriate management of documents for the Courts, and issues legal titles to establish ownership of autos and other vehicles. The Clerk's Office employs 200 Deputy Clerks working in 10 different offices located throughout the Courthouse complex and the County. During her tenure as Clerk, the office has established public online access to court documents (Case Information Online/or CIO), has moved the Civil and Criminal divisions into the new Common Pleas Courthouse, and has worked to institute a comprehensive e-Filing system throughout her legal offices. O'Shaughnessy was first elected Clerk in 2008, and was re-elected, unopposed, to her second four year term as Clerk in 2012.



Angela Radney, Chief Deputy/Chief of Staff

Ms. Radney oversees the effective and efficient functions of Auto Title and Legal Divisions. She has successfully enhanced the organization and continues to upgrade the Office's professionalism through personnel development trainings and improved operating systems. With more than 18 years in the public sector, Ms. Radney previously was Chief of Staff for the Columbus City Attorney. She is a graduate of The Ohio State University.



Antone White, Director of Business Operations

Mr. White directs the day-to-day operations of the Office's Legal and Records Divisions, and provides strategic guidance and evaluation of all Office programs and services. Mr. White led the effort to implement Legal Division performance measures, and streamline office operations. He is a graduate of The Ohio State University and will complete his Masters of Business Administration from Franklin University in 2014. Mr. White served in the administration of Columbus Mayor Michael B. Coleman prior to joining the Office in 2010.



Christine Emch, Director of Human Resources

Ms. Emch, a skilled and highly qualified human resources professional, not only holds a law degree but also a Senior Professional in Human Resources certification. Ms. Emch successfully managed this office's administrative team through two labor negotiated contracts. Her extensive human resources knowledge stems from her years in the Governor's office as Deputy Legal Counsel for HR and Labor and HR Policy Director at the Ohio Department of Administrative Services.



Kenny Skeaton, Director Auto Title Division

Mr. Skeaton began his career with the Clerk of Courts office in 2008 as Manager of Auto Title North office. In little more than 2 years, he was promoted to lead the entire division and now oversees four Auto Title offices that generate more than one hundred million dollars annually in revenues. Mr. Skeaton holds a B.A. from The Ohio State University and an M.B.A from ITT Technical Institute, where he specialized in Organizational Management, Talent Management and Business Information Systems.



Ned Kirby, Compliance Officer

With more than 35 years in private law practice and government service, Mr. Kirby joined the Clerk of Courts in 2003. He advises administrative and managerial staffs on day-to-day legal and procedural issues. Mr. Kirby also serves as liaison with various county agencies and numerous committees through the Columbus Bar Association and the Ohio Clerk of Courts Association.



Shawn Rieder, Director Office of Fiscal Services

Mr. Rieder has more than 15 years of financial expertise and managerial experience. Supervising a staff of 18, OFS manages a current annual budget of \$13 million. Mr. Rieder led the Clerk of Court's office through five consecutive error-free audits by the State of Ohio since 2008. He received his undergraduate degree from Ohio Wesleyan University.



Xenia Palus, Communications Director

Ms. Palus developed the Office's strategic communications plan, incorporating consistent brand identification for the Office in all print and online promotional and informational materials. She has more than 20 years marketing and communications experience in both public and non-profit sectors. Ms. Palus is a consummate networker and creates collaborative partnerships within county government and with external customers, stakeholders, and constituents. Her undergraduate degree is from The Ohio State University.



Barb Fields, Information Technology Director

Serving in the IT department for more than 25 years, Ms. Fields was promoted to her current role as its Director in 2010. Ms. Fields oversees and supports the Clerk's technical applications, and played an integral role in the Office's successful transition into electronic filing. She will lead the organization's efforts to upgrade the Office's case management system.



RiChawn Moncrease, Executive Assistant to the Clerk

Ms. Moncrease began her career in the Clerk of Courts working in the Auto Title Division as Title Clerk and later in the Legal Division as a Deputy Clerk. She was promoted to her current role of Executive Assistant in 2009 upon Clerk O'Shaughnessy's election to office.