



## Press Advisory

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### AT YEAR'S END DIGITAL RECORDING UP AND MILLIONTH DOCUMENT RECORDED

**December 31, 2008 – Phoenix, AZ** As the year 2008 draws to a close, the Maricopa County Recorder's Office has experienced an upswing from a year ago in its digital recording. In January 2008 County Recorder Helen Purcell reported digital recordings at 55%. At the end of December 2008 the office is averaging 70% digital recordings. "Foot traffic is at a minimum now that our digital recording is in place," said Recorder Purcell. "We're experiencing a 15% increase since the first of the year. Once an MOU (memorandum of understanding) is established the service, so far has been utilized by attorneys, title companies, medical lien services, engineers as well as runner services."

On November 21, 2008 at 8:34am the one millionth document was recorded for the year with Purcell's office. The document was a disclaimer deed filed by Yin-Ju Maynard. On an average the millionth documents have been recorded in mid-summer, however, there has been a decline in recording this year, according to Mrs. Purcell.

Beginning in January 2008 social security numbers were no longer available on the Recorder's the website. The redaction of all social security numbers was a project completed last year.

In May 2008 Recorder Purcell announced that a map was successfully recorded electronically for the first time with her office. The electronically recorded map by Salt River Project, was the result of Purcell's office receiving feedback and input from her customers. Prior to this move maps could be submitted electronically in tif; then shortly after May in pdf.