

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

Approved May 29, 1990.

CHAPTER 424

(Senate Bill 21)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Recording – Certification

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain instruments from being recorded in any county or Baltimore City unless they bear a certain certification that the instrument has been prepared by an attorney, under an attorney's supervision, or by one of the parties named in the instrument; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to requirements for recording certain instruments affecting real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 3-104(f)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Real Property

3-104.

(f) (1) No [fee-simple] deed, mortgage, or deed of trust may be recorded [in Montgomery County, Prince George's County, St. Mary's County, Talbot County, or Washington County] unless it bears a THE certification OF AN ATTORNEY AT LAW that the instrument has been prepared by an attorney ~~admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals,~~ OR under ~~the~~ AN attorney's supervision, or A CERTIFICATION THAT THE INSTRUMENT WAS PREPARED by [or on behalf of] one of the parties named in the instrument.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect January 1, 1991.

Approved May 29, 1990.