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**POLK COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS**



***DID YOU KNOW THAT DURING 2010...?***

- PICS (Polk Integrated Court System) was implemented in Juvenile and Felony. This electronic functionality provides the most advanced and reliable technology to simplify processes, improve workflow and ensure that operations are as efficient and consistent as possible. Using imaging to store the data, will eventually lead to a paperless court system.
- The Clerk's website now provides search capability for Criminal Court records. Case information is available for Felony, County and Municipal Ordinance violations, Misdemeanor and Traffic Court cases: court proceedings, progress docket, disposition dates, and case status at [www.polkcountyclerk.net](http://www.polkcountyclerk.net)
- The Record Center transitioned from filming records to scanning. This has resulted in a significant cost-savings and efficiencies by providing clearer images, reduced storage and equipment costs and increased accessibility for customers.
- Civil infraction cases (traffic tickets) are being processed electronically (paperless) in the courtroom at the branch offices.
- Foreclosure and Tax Deed sales are processed online. This technology streamlines labor intensive sales. This technology provides customers with immediate access to comprehensive, accurate information. Hundreds of applications can be processed in just seconds. Procedures that once required days can now be completed in minutes.
- E-Filing is a project underway which will allow attorneys to electronically file motions and documents resulting in significant time savings and efficiencies as well as cost savings.
- During the past 12 months 94% of the customer comment cards rated the level of service provided by the Clerk's Office as Excellent.
- The Clerk's Office was presented the "Employer of Distinction Award" by Polk Works for 2008 thru 2010.
- For the 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, Richard M. Weiss, Accountant, Auditor and Clerk to the BoCC received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting; the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting was also awarded for the 9<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.
- Richard Weiss is a member of the Florida Association of Court Clerks (FACC), an executive council member of the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation ( CCOC ), and chairs the CCOC Budget and Finance Committee.