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ATTENTION VETERANS: DON'T BE TRICKED INTO PAYING FOR YOUR DD-214

Connie Taylor, Clerk of Superior Court of Cobb County, has been made aware of a company operating out of Phoenix, Arizona, that is charging veterans exorbitant fees to perform a service that she is statutorily required to provide free of charge. DD214 DIRECT has been targeting veterans by charging between \$79 and \$138 dollars to file a veteran's paperwork and return to them an emailed copy or a hard copy.

In some instances, it has been reported that the veteran has been charged more than initially promised, has been sent the wrong copies, or never received any copies at all. "What this company is doing to these veterans who have fought for our country is inexcusable. **It is always free to file, and copies are always free.** Cobb County Clerk's Office (Real Estate Division) will not accept any filings from DD214 DIRECT to further discourage this scam from continuing.

It's important to file your military discharge records with the Clerk's Office in your county of residency so that you and your family may have permanent access to them. It's important to know that these records are exempt from the Open Records Act for a period of 50 years from the date of filing.

Your records will be recorded and returned to you immediately. The entire process will take about 15 minutes and as mentioned above, is *entirely free of charge*.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 770-528-1360 and thank you for your service.

O.C.G.A. § 15-6-78(a)

Veterans are not charged fees for recording discharge certificates

All clerks of the superior courts are prohibited from charging any veteran a fee for recording his discharge certificate pursuant to Code Section 15-6-72.