

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 17.1-227 of the Code of Virginia, relating to recordation of powers of*  
3 *attorney.*

4 [H 332]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 17.1-227 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 17.1-227. Documents to be recorded in deed books; social security numbers.

9 All deeds, deeds of trust, deeds of release, certificates of satisfaction or certificates of partial  
10 satisfaction, quitclaim deeds, homestead deeds, grants, transfers and mortgages of real estate, releases of  
11 such mortgages, powers of attorney to convey real estate, leases of real estate, notices of lis pendens and  
12 all contracts in reference to real estate, which have been acknowledged as required by law, and certified  
13 copies of final judgments or decrees of partition affecting the title or possession of real estate, any part  
14 of which is situated in the county or city in which it is sought to be recorded, and all other writings  
15 relating to or affecting real estate which are authorized to be recorded, shall, unless otherwise provided,  
16 be recorded in a book to be known as the deed book. All deeds, deeds of trust, deeds of release,  
17 quitclaim deeds, grants, transfers, and mortgages of real estate or any addendum or memorandum  
18 relating to any of these instruments submitted for recordation in the deed books of the appropriate office  
19 of the clerk of court shall be prepared according to the requirements for deeds as set forth in §§ 55-48  
20 and 55-58 and shall include the names of all grantors and grantees in the first clause of each such  
21 instrument. The clerk may refuse to accept any instrument submitted for recordation that includes a  
22 grantor's, grantee's or trustee's social security number. *However, the attorney or party who prepares or*  
23 *submits the instrument has responsibility for ensuring that the social security number is removed from*  
24 *the instrument prior to the instrument being submitted for recordation.* Each instrument shall be indexed  
25 under all such names in accordance with the provisions of § 17.1-249.

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