

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1994 SESSION

CHAPTER 538

An Act to amend and reenact § 8.01-446 of the Code of Virginia, relating to judgment dockets kept by clerks.

[H 404]

Approved April 9, 1994

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 8.01-446 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 8.01-446. Clerks to keep judgment dockets; what judgments to be docketed therein.

The clerk of each court of every circuit shall keep in his office, in a well-bound book, a judgment docket, in which he shall docket, without delay, any judgment for *a specific amount of money* rendered in his court, and shall likewise docket without delay any judgment for *a specific amount of money* rendered in this Commonwealth by any other court of this Commonwealth or federal court, when he shall be required so to do by any person interested, on such person delivering to him an authenticated legible abstract of it and also upon the request of any person interested therein, any such judgment rendered by a district court judge whose book has been filed in his office under the provisions of Title 16.1 or of which a legible abstract is delivered to him certified by the district court judge who rendered it; provided, that judgments docketed in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the City of Williamsburg and the County of James City shall be docketed and indexed in one book; and provided further that the clerk of the circuit court of any county using card files on July 1, 1975, in lieu of a book may continue to use the card file system. *A specific judgment for money shall state that it is a judgment for money in a specific amount in favor of a named party, against a named party, with that party's address, if known, and it shall further state the time from which the judgment bears interest.* If the clerk determines that an abstract is not legible, the clerk shall refuse to record it and shall return it to the person who tendered the abstract for recording.