

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT & COMPTROLLER

PALM BEACH COUNTY

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CLERK REPORT

August 2021

Do You Have Unclaimed Funds with Our Office?

Our office has thousands of dollars in unclaimed money waiting to be returned to its rightful owners. Could some of it belong to you?

We encourage you to check our list of unclaimed funds to see whether your name or your company's name is on it. The unclaimed funds are for court-related activities, including cash bonds, outstanding juror checks and more.

[See the List](#)

Guardianship Improvement Task Force Holds First Meeting



PUBLIC MEETING

The statewide Guardianship Improvement Task Force held its first meeting last month. We're proud that Anthony Palmieri, our office's Deputy Inspector General & Chief Guardianship Investigator, is part of this important initiative.

Anthony serves as the vice chair of the task force, which is sponsored and staffed by the Florida Court Clerks & Comptrollers association.

[Learn More About the Task Force](#)

Face Coverings Required at all Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller Offices

Face coverings are required to enter any Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller office. Face coverings are required regardless of a person's vaccination status. This is consistent with protocols issued by Palm Beach County and the 15th Judicial Circuit for employees and visitors to County-owned buildings and courthouses. It is also consistent with updated guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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Donations from ClerkPBC Employees Fund Scholarships for Local Students



Pictured (From Left to Right): Court Specialist Nicole Thomas; Scholarship Recipient Isabella Thomas; Deputy Inspector General & Chief Guardianship Investigator Anthony Palmieri; Scholarship Recipient Zane Palmieri; Clerk Joseph Abruzzo; Scholarship Recipient Alexis Foster; Lead Court Specialist Pamella Sawyer; and Chief Deputy Clerk Shannon Ramsey-Chessman. Please note: This photo was taken before our office's face covering requirement took effect on Aug. 2.

Donations from members of our ClerkPBC team will provide three local students each with a \$1,500 college scholarship to continue their education.

The winners of our annual Clerks for a Cause Scholarship Program include Alexis Foster, a graduate of Atlantic Community High School and Florida Atlantic University; Zane Palmieri, a 2021 graduate of Jensen Beach High School; and Isabella Thomas, a 2021 graduate of Palm Beach Central High School.

[Learn More About our Scholarship Program](#)

ClerkPBC Team Honored by Statewide

Association

Our ClerkPBC team was recently recognized by the Florida Court Clerks and Comptrollers (FCCC) for following best practices in all categories evaluated by the statewide association.

We received all seven Recognition of Excellence certificates awarded under the FCCC's Best Practices Excellence Program. The program was created to recognize Clerks throughout the state who complete assessments that evaluate each office's acceptance of certain best practices.

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Meet Our Team



Felicia Landerman is our office's new Treasurer. Felicia has served as our Investment Manager since beginning her career with our office in 1990.



Lisa Spann is the new manager of our Circuit Civil department. Lisa joined our team in 1995 and most recently served as a supervisor in our Circuit Civil department.

In Our Community



Dozens of our ClerkPBC employees volunteered at locations in West Palm Beach and Boca Raton last month to help distribute supplies at Back to School PBC, a drive-through event where families in need were given backpacks and food boxes.

Our office donated more than 90 surplus cell phones to help victims of

domestic abuse.

Clerk Joseph Abruzzo hand delivered the cell phones to Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA) last month during a visit to the non-profit's office in Delray Beach.



The Clerk's leadership team visited the Education Foundation of Palm Beach County's Red Apple Supplies last month to help prepare backpacks for the new school year.

The ClerkPBC team also presented the non-profit with a \$1,960 donation check. The money was donated by Clerk employees through our office's Dress Down program.

We're hiring! To learn more about careers with our office, visit mypalmbeachclerk.com/careers.

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