

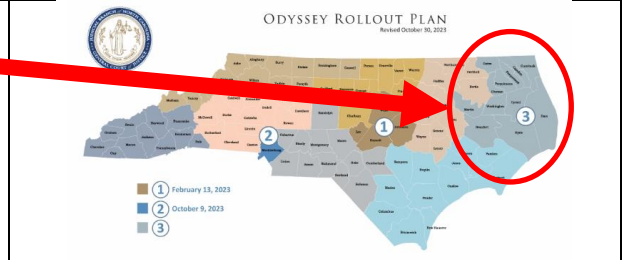


## CHICAGO BULL

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**Odyssey is migrating Feb. 5, 2024, to  
Track 3 – 12 Eastern Counties!**

**NC ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS  
(AOC) ODYSSEY TRANSITION FROM VCAP:  
Are You Watching? (Part V)**



The AOC has just announced that e-Courts will be going live on **February 5, 2024**, in the twelve Track 3 counties - [Beaufort](#), [Chowan](#), [Currituck](#), [Camden](#), [Dare](#), [Gates](#), [Hyde](#), [Martin](#), [Pasquotank](#), [Perquimans](#), [Tyrrell](#), and [Washington](#) counties. (See press releases and information at: [nccourts.gov/ecourts](https://nccourts.gov/ecourts) )

### **BEWARE: Search Function Issues!**

It is still absolutely critical that any attorney or title examiner who is searching titles in migrating and migrated counties follow several important protocols:

- (1) Watch, read and STUDY the instructions on the website: <https://www.nccourts.gov/ecourts> regarding how to search in BOTH Smart Search and Judgment Search.
- (2) Watch the Real Property Section “Return to the Vault” presentations where specific examples of concern are discussed so that you will be aware of the EXTRA DUE DILIGENCE needed.
- (3) KEEP A PRINTOUT/PDF COPY OF YOUR SEARCHES AND RESULTS, EVEN IF (ESPECIALLY IF) NO RESULTS.
- (4) REPORT any problems or discrepancies to the AOC at [eCourts@nccourts.org](mailto:eCourts@nccourts.org).
- (5) Obtain the NCLTA “AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERSTANDING AND INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT REGARDING COMPUTER DATA MIGRATION (VCAP to E-COURTS ODYSSEY PORTAL)” on-line at [www.nclta.org](http://www.nclta.org) at every closing regarding property in the migrated counties, given the “blackout” dates when the systems are off-line for migration *as well as the ongoing Portal search issues*. This is to **PROTECT YOU AND YOUR CLIENTS**, to **DISCLOSE** to your buyers the limitations on your ability to search and verify information in your search, and to **OBTAIN VERIFICATION FROM THE SELLER (or Borrower on a refinance)** that they have disclosed any applicable issues you might have been unable to find.

**CAUTION:** Though the search engines have wild cards, you may be surprised by the search issues, such as the need to choose from a dropdown for a business or other parameters in the dropdown menus, or the limitation of requiring 3 or 4 characters (depending on your search), or the issue with special characters in business names or individual names with first initials, ongoing changes -- just to name a few issues.

For more information, see our Chicago Bull “NC Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) – Odyssey Transition from VCAP – Are You Watching? (Parts I, II, III and IV)” (12-28-2022, 1-31-2023, 3-17-2023 and 10-11-2023), on-line at: <https://www.northcarolina.ctic.com/legal-articles> under Title Search & Opinions

As always, please feel free to contact our North Carolina Chicago Title Counsel to discuss at any time! This is a developing situation. We are working diligently to keep you abreast of the latest information available!

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