

Title FAQ's

- 1. The time frame from opening title to closing day is a minimum of 14 business days, depending on the parties' timeline and efficiency
- The time frame for a complete title search is about 3-4 business days, once title company has received the listing agreement or contract. Most title companies will require parties' contact information to discuss any concerns or issues with title
 - a. If a lender is involved for the Buyer(s), title company may reach out
 - b. For Sellers' mortgage, most payoff requests will need to be wet signed
- 3. Earnest Money & Option Fee delivery each title company has their preferences such as drop off in office, courier delivery (FedEx), electronic deposit (ZOCCAM), domestic wire transfer
- 4. Once title search is complete, the following items are sent to the parties and their agents
 - a. Title commitment report of what is attached and/or included with the property and vested owner
 - b. Tax Certificate
 - c. Information Sheet mainly Seller(s) for title/identity purposes
- 5. Once the option fee period is completed, the following may be requested/ordered through the title company
 - a. Survey whether an existing will be provided or a new survey will be required per contract
 - b. HOA Statement or Resale Certificate based on HOA addendum provided with contract
 - c. Home Warranty (if stated in the contract)
 - d. Appraisal, credit report, inspection, pest control fees are through lender
- 6. Texas is based as a community estate
 - a. If parties are married, title company will need both spouses at closing
- 7. If there is a deceased party, we suggest getting probate finalized prior to opening title
- 8. Please advise the title company if a 1031 exchange or private lender will be involved
- 9. If either party is an LLC or a Trust, we will need documents for review
 - a. Agreement / Resolution
 - b. Tax ID
- 10. An Amendment must be submitted for any changes made to any contract, signed by both parties



- 11. Closing costs may include
 - a. Attorney document preparation
 - b. Settlement fee
 - c. Recording fee
- 12. Closings may be completed in person, mobile notary, and/or electronic notary (Proof)
 - a. Buyer(s) will need lender approval for notary request
 - b. Keys may be given to the new owner; arrangements will need to be discussed prior to closing
 - c. Closing can be conducted in approximately 30 minutes to an hour
- 13. Once all parties have signed, title company will review documents and send them to the lender (if necessary) for funding approval. Title Company <u>must</u> have all funds prior to notifying parties of closed transaction.