



Hugh Nguyen
Orange County Clerk-Recorder



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CLERK-RECORDER HUGH NGUYEN CELEBRATES 20 YEARS AT LAGUNA HILLS BRANCH OFFICE

The Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department is excited to celebrate 20 years of service at its Laguna Hills Branch Office, a milestone that reflects the department's continued commitment to providing convenient access to Clerk-Recorder services for South County residents and customers throughout Orange County.

"Our Laguna Hills Branch Office has proudly served South County residents for two decades, and I am excited to celebrate this special occasion with the community we serve," said Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen. "For many couples, this location is where a new chapter begins. Our team is honored to help make that special moment simple, welcoming, and memorable."

Located inside the Laguna Hills Civic Center, the Laguna Hills Branch Office offers marriage licenses, civil marriage ceremonies, renewal of vows, passport services, passport photos, birth, death, and marriage records, fictitious business name filings, and official record copies. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except County holidays.

As the department celebrates this milestone, Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen reminds couples that appointments are preferred for marriage services, but walk-ins are always welcome on a first-come, first-served basis. Outdoor ceremonies are available upon request when staffing, weather, and location permits.

Couples may choose from several ceremony options through the Clerk-Recorder Department, including indoor civil ceremonies, outdoor ceremonies upon request, renewal of vows, and live-stream ceremonies for loved ones who cannot attend in person. The Laguna Hills location also offers a beautiful South County ceremony room setting, along with outdoor areas near the Civic Center that may serve as a memorable backdrop for photos, including outdoor photos with pets when appropriate.

The department also offers Special Saturday Openings throughout the year, with dates and service information posted on the department's website. Couples attending a Special Saturday Opening may ask about indoor and outdoor ceremony options when visiting the office.

NORTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE
WELLS FARGO BUILDING
222 S. HARBOR BLVD., STE 110
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA 92805

ORANGE COUNTY
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION SOUTH
601 N. ROSS STREET
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701

OLD ORANGE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE
211 W. SANTA ANA BLVD. ROOM 202
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701

SOUTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE
LAGUNA HILLS CIVIC CENTER
24031 EL TORO ROAD, SUITE 150/160
LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA 92653

To ensure couples receive the most accurate and up-to-date information, the department encourages the public to rely on official Clerk-Recorder sources. Information shared by third parties, including vendors, social media accounts, or online posts, may be outdated, incomplete, inaccurate, or potentially misleading.

For questions, please call the department's call center at (714) 834-2500 during normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except County holidays. Visit **OCCLERKRECORDER.GOV** for more details. For media inquiries, please contact Billy Le at (714) 834-2248.

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About Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen

Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen was elected countywide to serve the residents of all 34 cities in Orange County and its unincorporated communities. The first Vietnamese American to hold the office, he has led the Clerk-Recorder Department since 2013 after beginning his public service career with the department in 1993. Under his leadership, the department has earned county, state, and national recognition for innovation and public service.

The department maintains a safe and secure repository of public records, oversees the Orange County Archives, and provides residents with cost-effective, efficient, and convenient access to a wide range of services while safeguarding the confidentiality of personal information. His focus on efficiency has helped keep Orange County's real property document recording fees among the lowest in California, and the department works closely with the Orange County District Attorney's Office to help protect homeowners from fraud through early courtesy notices.