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Dear Sirs,

As many of you know, I have been having some medical issues that make it very difficult to perform my duties as County Clerk. I have been thinking about retirement for some months now.

I will be retiring effective April 1, 2009. I came to work here January 2, 1987. I have enjoyed (22) years of working in the County Clerk's Office. Keeping the records and working with Commissioner's Court has been a great pleasure and I have enjoyed working with everyone.

When I retire, I hope you will appoint Schelana Walker, my Chief Deputy to fill my unexpired term which ends on December 31, 2010. Schelana has been employed with me for almost 10 years. She is very experienced and will be capable of taking over in my absence and will be a great asset to the County Clerk's Office.

My thanks to the court for all your support over the years. I truly will miss all of you.

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Respectfully yours,

Barbara Middleton