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Definition – [41.721a](#)  
UCC Financing Statement - [440.9502\(2\)\(d\)](#)

**RECORDABLE EVENT:**

Only One Event Per Recording – [565.201\(1\)\(f\)\(ii\)](#) | [565.201\(3\)](#)

**RECORDING REQUIREMENTS:**

Acknowledgment – [565.46](#) (proof) | [565.47](#) (required) | [565.201\(1\)\(b\)](#) (no discrepancy of names printed below signature to names in acknowledgment) | [565.201\(1\)\(c\)](#) (notary's printed commission name must appear near signature)  
Addresses – [565.201\(1\)\(d\)](#) (all grantees) | [565.201\(2\)](#) (drafter/preparer)  
Affidavits; Legal Description Required; or Liber/Page or Instrument Number Reference – [565.451c](#)  
Death Certificate for Conveyance by Survivors; Recorded as Separate Document – [565.48](#)  
Deeds; Executed Out of State – [565.9](#)  
Drafter's Name & Address – [565.201\(2\)](#) | [565.201a](#) Repealed September 2018  
Font Size – [565.201\(1\)\(f\)\(iii\)](#)  
Ink Color – [565.201\(1\)\(a\)](#) | [565.201\(1\)\(f\)\(iv\)](#)  
Inapplicability; Certain Documents – [565.203](#)  
Legal Descriptions – See Legal Descriptions  
Legibility – [565.201\(1\)\(f\)\(iv\)](#)  
Margins – [565.201\(1\)\(f\)\(i\)](#)  
Marital Status for Males – [565.221](#)  
Names Typed Under Signatures – [565.201\(1\)\(a\)](#)  
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Plat Name & Lot Number for Recording – [560.252](#) | [560.255](#)  
Recordation; Reproduction, Delivery – [565.491\(1\)](#)  
Recording Fees – [565.412](#) (judgments) | [565.491](#) | [600.2567](#) | [600.2567a](#)  
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Social Security Numbers Prohibited – [565.201\(1\)\(g\)](#) | [565.401\(2\)](#) | [565.452](#)  
Survey Requirements – [54.211-54.213](#) | [560.125](#) [560.126](#)  
Tax Certificate From Treasurer – [211.135](#)  
Title of Document Required on First Line of Print – [565.201\(1\)\(f\)\(ii\)](#)  
Total Value of Property Stated on Deeds – [207.504](#) | [207.525](#)  
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Recorded Date/Time – [565.27](#)  
Seal Placed Upon Certificate of Record After Recording – [53.111](#)

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Imaging – [24.405](#)

Same Force & Effect as Original – [24.406](#)

Technical Standards, Mediums – [24.402](#)

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