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Building for the future

Following is the Executive Summary from the Authority's 2025-2026 Accomplishments & Year-end Report. Numbers within this article reflect fiscal year-end (June 30) totals unless otherwise stated, although other articles in this issue may reflect more updated information. Contact Communications Director & Compliance Officer Mike Smith at mike.smith@gsccca.org with questions.

For more than three decades, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority has partnered with clerks across the state to develop innovative solutions that improve efficiency, expand access to information, and better serve the citizens of this state. Since its creation, the Authority has embraced change, helping transform court and record-management processes from paper files and fax transmissions into sophisticated statewide systems that support court operations, real estate recording, electronic filing, and numerous other essential services.

Today, the Authority finds itself at another pivotal moment — one in which the forward-thinking spirit that inspired its creation over 30 years ago remains as relevant as ever. Much as Georgia's Superior Court clerks embraced new technologies and new possibilities when they created the Authority, the organization is once again preparing for a rapidly evolving environment of change. As technology continues to advance at an unprecedented pace, new opportunities are emerging to improve

services, strengthen security, increase efficiency, and maximize resources. Capitalizing on those opportunities requires more than maintaining existing systems; it requires the foresight to invest in new capabilities, strengthen critical infrastructure, and continually evolve to meet changing needs.

Throughout FY 2026, the Authority remained focused on doing just that: building for the future. Significant investments were made in technology infrastructure, cybersecurity, system modernization, and operational efficiency to ensure the Authority remains well-positioned to meet the needs of Superior Court clerks and the broader communities it serves. While many of these initiatives oc-

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July Board meeting review

The Authority Board of Directors met on July 8 for its quarterly meeting. Following is a summary of the reports and actions of the meeting.

General Business

The minutes of the April 15, 2026 scheduled Board meeting were approved.

Will Derzis, CPA, with Mauldin & Jenkins, provided an update on the financial reports as of May 31, 2026. He praised the Authority staff for their high performance and adherence to all accounting industry standards. The latest financial reports indicate that the Clerks' Authority is maintaining a strong financial position.

Board Actions

The Board approved a motion to amend the Indexing Standards for Real and Personal Property for the State of Georgia and a second motion to amend the GSCCCA Annual Fee Schedule.

2025-2026 Accomplishments & Year-end Report

Presented by Executive Director Rachel Rice, the report is published annually to provide a comprehensive overview of the Authority's many initiatives and a detailed summary of key achievements during the fiscal year.

During FY 2026, significant investments were made in technology infrastructure, cybersecurity, system modernization, and operational efficiency to ensure the Authority remains well-positioned to meet the needs of Superior Court clerks and the broader communities it serves. While many of these initiatives occurred behind the scenes, their impact will be felt for years to come, strengthening the foundation upon which critical programs and services depend while positioning the Authority for continued growth, innovation, and long-term sustainability.

The report's Executive Summary is included in this newsletter beginning on Page 1, and the full report has been published on the Authority's website.

Filing Activity Notification System (FANS)

Launched in January 2023, FANS allows individuals to receive notifications when certain real estate and personal property records



are filed with a Superior Court clerk, indexed, and data is transmitted by clerks across Georgia.

As of July 2, 2026, the system had 119,640 registered users who had submitted 262,677 information requests for names, addresses, and document types, resulting in 766,700 matches. The figure includes both active and inactive users. An account is deemed inactive if the user has not logged in to FANS for 12 months, and notifications are sent accordingly.

A report showing the number of registered users by county of residence was also presented. DeKalb, Gwinnett, Fulton, Cobb, and Cherokee counties had the highest numbers of registered residents.



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UCC Project

The Authority received and processed 6,370 Certified Search requests in FY 2026. There were no searches to report for November and December 2025 due to a cybersecurity incident that halted processing. These searches are conducted internally by Authority staff and involve an exact-name search of the UCC database, with results transmitted directly to the requesting customer.

For FY 2026, there were 290,197 UCCs filed statewide, averaging 24,183 filings per month. The first three months of the fiscal year saw a significant increase in UCC filings, primarily driven by a rise in UCC continuations. These continuations were essential for extending the effectiveness of UCC financing statements filed in 2020, linked to funds provided through federal COVID assistance programs.

Fines & Fees Division

An update was provided on the Fines & Fees Division, highlighting a reduction in the number of non-compliant courts since the previous Board meeting in April 2026. The Fines & Fees team has been actively collaborating with courts to ensure compliance.



Financially, collections for FY 2026 surpassed those of the previous fiscal year, with the Fines & Fees Division collecting \$100.6 million in court fees and an additional \$1.6 million in trust fund interest. During the fiscal year, staff processed over 34,000 reports.

It was also reported that Fines & Fees training sessions will be conducted, including webinars and an in-person class for the Probate Court Clerks' Association.

Training & Outreach

The 2026 training program has progressed well, with additional sessions planned for the remainder of the year. Webinars offered include FANS, eFile 101, Common Indexing Transmission Errors, Fines & Fees, and Navigating eLearn and Training. In-person classes include Notary Public and Real Estate Deed Indexing.

A schedule of training opportunities for the remainder of the year is shown on Page 12.

The Authority's online training platform, eLearn, continues to be widely used by clerks and the public. As of June 30, 2026, there were 172,806 active users registered on the site, 167,215 of whom had accessed the Notary Public course.

It was also reported that 54 actively serving clerks and deputy clerks have successfully passed the Indexing Certification exam.

eCertification Program

It was reported that 111 counties are currently participating in the eCertification Program, with two additional counties in the testing or training phase. Through June 30, 2026, participating counties had received 352,083 electronic certified document requests, of which 257,589 had been processed, an increase of 26,000 since the April 2026 Board meeting. In addition, 95 counties are now using the Regular Copies feature.

The eCertification Program allows individuals to electronically request certified and regular copies of documents from a participating clerk's office, eliminating the need for travel to the courthouse.

eFiling Project

Superior Court clerks continue to utilize the Authority's eFiling initiatives to streamline operations while enhancing public service. Currently, 154 clerks participate in UCC eFile, with 141 requiring eFiling as the only submission method. Of these, 130 utilize the auto-numbering feature. For FY 2026, a total of 278,853 UCCs were eFiled, averaging 23,238 filings per month. At present, seven counties are using the UCC eFile API through their local vendors.

For Real Estate eFiling, all 159 Superior Court clerks are in full compliance with statutory requirements by accepting all document types electronically. At present, 158 counties participate in the estimated fee process, with six counties opting in to this feature since the April 2026 Board meeting.

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The online notary public application process has 154 clerks participating, with 50 offering the Mail-in Renewal (MIR) option.

To varying degrees, all 159 clerks are involved in the ACH payment process, with 87 counties activated to participate in ePay as of June 30, 2026. Additionally, 77 counties have elected to receive print and image monies via ACH. At present, 38 counties are fully participating in all products and services offered by the Authority.

Voluntary Historical Deed Project

As reported at the Board meeting, 105 counties are currently participating in the Voluntary Historical Deed Re-Indexing Project. At present,



the statewide “good-from” date is January 1, 1990. To date, over 6 million instruments have been released to production, while an additional 1.7 million instruments are currently in quarantine for review. Recently, more than 25,000 instruments were released, with additional releases expected soon. A total of 158 docket surveys have been completed, and 157 indexing directions have been issued.

1989-1987 Historical Deed Project

The 1989-1987 Historical Deed Re-Indexing Project was originally scheduled for completion by June 30, 2025; however, the project was not finished before the contract expired on that date. As of June 30, 2026, 3,237,852 instruments had been successfully released from quarantine,

while instruments from four counties remain in quarantine.

Currently, a total of \$7,312,278 has been disbursed or is payable to Superior Court clerks, and \$2,422,136.50 has been paid to vendors. In total, \$9,734,414.50 has been expended on the project thus far.

Archival Services

At present, 158 counties are actively participating in the VaultTek Online Archive Program, which allows clerks to have any or all files backed up through the Authority at no cost. Since the program’s inception in 2008, there have been 259 data restorations totaling 5.35 TB of data. VaultTek is currently storing and protecting more than 1.64 billion files, totaling nearly 683 TB of live data available for recovery in the event of a disaster.

Notable VaultTek highlights for Q4 FY 2026 include:

- Restored 20,701 files to clerks' offices
- Replaced or upgraded equipment in two counties
- Delivered Disaster Recovery & Records Management Certificate Training for clerks
- Published a new blog on the VaultTek website explaining why leadership involvement matters in a data protection strategy and what can happen when it is lacking

The Virtual Microfilm (VMF) Program, another Authority initiative for archiving clerks’ digital records, now contains approximately 342 million images, including deed, lien, and plat images.

Notary & Authentications Division

More than 60,000 apostilles were processed and issued in FY 2026, the most in the Authority’s history. The top destination countries for these apostilles were South Korea, Mexico, India, Colombia, and Honduras.

Next Board Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2026. ■



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curred behind the scenes, their impact will be felt for years to come, strengthening the foundation upon which critical programs and services depend while positioning the Authority for continued growth, innovation, and long-term sustainability.

At the same time, the Authority continued to deliver the high level of service that clerks and

customers have come to expect. Millions of real estate and UCC documents were processed through Authority systems; new enhancements were implemented across multiple programs; statewide training and outreach efforts reached thousands of participants; and electronic filing services achieved new levels of utilization. These results reflect not only the dedication of Authority staff but also the enduring partnership between the Authority and Georgia's Superior Court clerks — a partnership that remains central to every success achieved.

The accomplishments highlighted in this report tell the story of an organization preparing for tomorrow while continuing to deliver on its mission today. They demonstrate a deliberate commitment to building for the future while remaining grounded in the principles that have guided the Authority since its inception: innovation, collaboration, responsible stewardship, and service. Working together, the Authority and Georgia's Superior Court

clerks continue to move forward, strengthening the foundation for the next generation of programs, services, and solutions.

Background

From the beginning, the Authority was built on the belief that there was a better way. Innovation, collaboration, and a willingness to tackle complex challenges have defined the organization ever since. Although its identity and mission remain the same, the GSCCCA is a very different organization today than the one that opened its doors in 1995.

Since its inception, the Authority has not only fulfilled its original purpose of establishing a statewide system for the indexing of UCC documents, but has also developed and implemented — at no cost to the state — a wide range of innovative programs and services. Effective collaboration with state agencies, not-for-profit organizations, and other partners has long been one of the hallmarks of the Authority's success. That collaborative approach has earned the Authority respect both within Georgia and nationally for its innovative, practical, and effective approach to problem solving.

For more than three decades, the Authority has been an innovator within the public records arena and has led the State of Georgia to the forefront of court technology. Using a mix of old-fashioned cooperation and state-of-the-art technology, the GSCCCA has transformed ideas once considered impossible into practical solutions. In doing so, it has changed the way business is conducted and simplified access to real estate records, financing statements, and other court documents.

Today, the Authority is a diverse organization that administers a wide range of programs, projects, services, and statewide initiatives, including:

- ❖ Notary & Authentications Division
- ❖ Fines & Fees Division
- ❖ UCC Project
- ❖ Real Estate Deed Project

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- ❖ Historical Deed Re-Indexing Project
- ❖ County-Funded Historical Deed, Lien & Plat Re-Indexing Project
- ❖ Lien, Plat & Map Project
- ❖ Pending Lien Project
- ❖ PT-61 Project
- ❖ UCC eFile
- ❖ Real Estate eFile
- ❖ Premium Search Account
- ❖ Clerks' Authority Map Search Application (mobile app)
- ❖ Protective Order Registry
- ❖ eCertification Program
- ❖ Filing Activity Notification System (FANS)
- ❖ Carbon Sequestration Registry
- ❖ VaultTek Online Archive Program
- ❖ VaultTek Mobile
- ❖ Virtual Microfilm (VMF) Program
- ❖ Statewide Computer Replacement Project

In successfully developing and implementing these projects, the Authority helped modernize Superior Court clerk offices and created several one-of-a-kind systems that integrated and standardized information from each of Geor-

gia's 159 counties on a central website, www.gsccca.org. The Authority databases provide accountability, uniformity, efficiencies, and cost-savings by affording:

- ❖ Unprecedented access to valuable information — free access through search terminals installed in all Superior Court clerk offices and convenient 24/7 access by internet subscription.
- ❖ More than \$138 million in additional funding through print and deed monies and nearly 36,000 pieces of new equipment for clerks' offices since the Authority's inception.
- ❖ Information that equips lawmakers with critical data to more effectively set public policy.

Governed by a board of ten members whose meetings are open to the public, the GSCCCA was created, implemented, and continues to operate without receiving any funds through local, state, or federal taxes. The Authority has been continually praised for its wise use of available resources, and has proven to be a resounding success for offering unique services to Georgia counties and citizens.

Did you know?

- Since the pilot project's launch in 2009, more than 15 million documents have been filed through the Authority's electronic filing portal (efile.gsccca.org).
- Concluded in 2025, the 1989–1987 Historical Deed Project added more than 3.2 million deed records to the Authority's publicly searchable website.
- Since the launch of identity verification on the Authority's eFile platform, more than 48,000 users have successfully completed the process.
- The Authority's eCertification portal allows users to request and receive certified documents electronically (ecert.gsccca.org). Currently, 111 counties are actively participating in the program, with nearly 258,000 certifications completed.
- The Authority's data archive contains approximately 76 TB (terabytes) of data — the equivalent of approximately 17,394 two-hour movies.

Accomplishments – FY 2026 Highlights

Following are some of the highlights or major accomplishments from the past fiscal year:

- ❖ Compensated clerks' offices nearly **\$6 million** for prints off the Authority website and nearly **\$725,000** for deed images, resulting in nearly **\$6.7 million in additional funding** for Georgia's Superior Court clerks' offices this fiscal year.

- ❖ Completed a comprehensive **rebuild of the Authority's network infrastructure**, culminat-

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ing a multi-year modernization initiative. The project required rebuilding the network from the ground up, including new architecture, enhanced security controls, and restoration of connectivity for all county and internal systems, establishing a stronger and more resilient foundation for ongoing operations.

- ❖ Completed a major **infrastructure modernization initiative**, including migration of 54 servers, replacement of legacy storage systems with modern platforms, and significant progress in transitioning a key database system to a modern, supported envi-

ronment. These improvements enhanced system reliability, performance, and security, while reducing risks associated with aging infrastructure and establishing a strong foundation for future technology initiatives.

- ❖ Significantly **strengthened the Authority's cybersecurity posture** through multiple coordinated initiatives, including stronger access controls, advanced threat detection capabilities, improved email security, and modernization of authentication

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A new look for Authority's public-facing office

The Authority recently renovated its public-facing office space to enhance customer service, increase efficiencies, and improve office safety. As a convenience to the public, the



Notary & Authentications Division provides walk-in service with no appointment necessary for individuals seeking apostilles and document authentications.

Approximately 15,000 customers each year choose to visit the Authority's offices for these services. In FY 2026 alone, the Authority processed nearly 25,000 apostille and authentication requests, with 59% submitted in person. For many customers, an in-person visit provides an opportunity to ask questions, receive assistance with the requirements for their documents, and ensure their requests are completed

correctly — particularly when they are unfamiliar with the process or have documents that require special attention.

With this high volume of in-person traffic and the Authority's continuing commitment to responsive, accessible customer service, renovating the public-facing office became a priority. The improvements provide a more welcoming, efficient, and secure environment for both customers and staff, while helping the Authority better serve the thousands of people who walk through its doors each year.



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and encryption infrastructure. Together, these enhancements provide greater protection against unauthorized access, phishing attacks, malware, and other cybersecurity threats, helping ensure the continued security and reliability of critical systems, data, and operations.

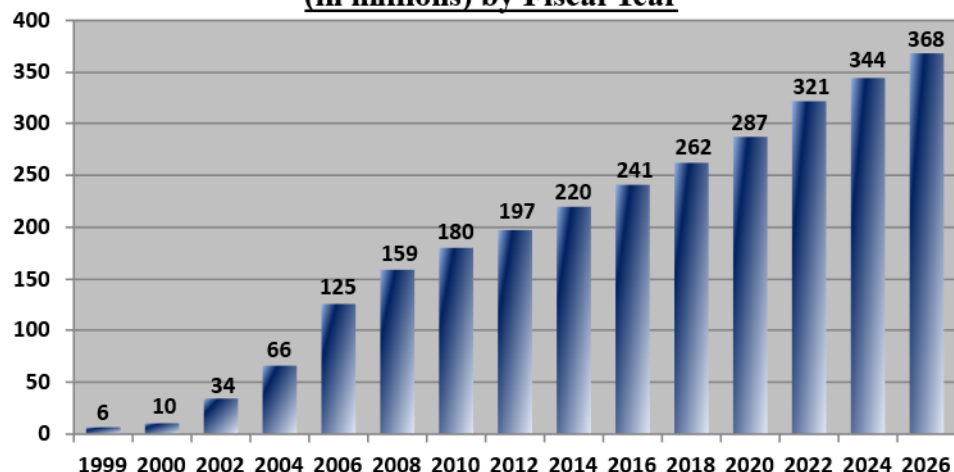
- ❖ Advanced **statewide network modernization** through deployment of 62 firewalls, 157 network switches, and secure VPN connectivity to 56 counties, with additional phases underway, strengthening security, reliability, and access to Authority systems.
- ❖ Strengthened the **Authority's emergency preparedness** by developing and implementing a formal and comprehensive *Emergency Office Closure Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)*, providing clear protocols for leadership coordination, staff safety, customer communications, and continuity of operations during weather events, infrastructure failures, and other unexpected disruptions.
- ❖ Enhanced the customer experience and improved office safety through **renovation of the Authority's public-facing office space**, which serves approximately 15,000 walk-in customers annually seeking apostilles and document authentications. De-

spite a temporary suspension of walk-in services, the Notary & Authentications Division remained fully operational, with all requests processed by mail or through the drop box located in the Authority's lobby.

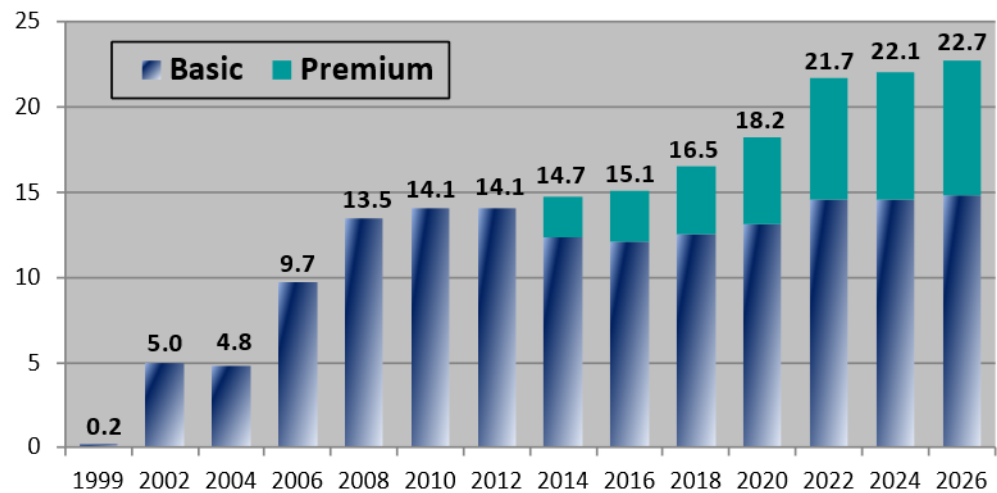
- ❖ Continued the statewide success of **Real Estate eFile** during the first full year under Georgia's revised eRecording framework. More than 1.9 million real estate documents were electronically filed in FY 2026, with over 50% submitted through the Authority's eFile API, bringing the cumulative total to more than 11.9 million since the portal's launch in 2011. Since identity verification became a requirement, more than 48,000 users have successfully completed the verification process. Today, all 159 Georgia counties accept real estate documents electronically, and the Authority's portal serves as the sole authorized platform for eRecording in Georgia.
- ❖ Launched an **eFile Scanning feature**, transforming designated courthouse search terminals into full-service eFile kiosks that allow filers to securely scan and submit paper documents directly through the eFile system. This new capability eliminates the need for advance document preparation and

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Images in GSCCCA Search System
(in millions) by Fiscal Year



Website Subscribers (in thousands) by Fiscal Year



provides a convenient on-site filing solution. Statewide deployment is underway, with implementation timing varying by county based on technical readiness.

- ❖ Completed the **eFile System Certification** program, a formal process for certifying vendor eFile systems used by clerks for deeds, liens, and plats. The certification ensures systems meet standards for quality, completeness, compatibility, and compliance with state law. Nine systems, including the Authority's eAssist platform, successfully completed testing and achieved certification. The Authority is also working with vendors to update certifications in response to the addition of the new "Deed – TOD Beneficiary Affidavit" document type, ensuring certified systems can receive and process these filings. As of fiscal year-end, five systems, including the Authority's eAssist platform, had completed the update and were certified to receive the new document type.
- ❖ Continued the long-term growth and statewide adoption of **UCC eFile**. More than 296,000 UCCs were filed electronically in FY 2026, accounting for 96% of all UCC filings statewide, with more than 45% submitted through the Authority's UCC eFile API. Since the pilot project launched in 2009, nearly 2.6 million UCCs have been eFiled. Today, 154 counties participate in

the program, with 141 — 89% of Georgia counties — requiring UCC documents to be filed electronically.

- ❖ Managed a comprehensive update of **Real Estate documentation**, including guidelines for real estate recording, historical re-indexing, the Image API, certification, and related systems. The project also delivered targeted improvements to index data validation processes, resolving longstanding book/page and dash-handling issues while strengthening overall data quality and consistency.
- ❖ Concluded the **1989-1987 Historical Deed Project**, resulting in the addition of more than 3.2 million deed records to the Authority's publicly searchable website. As with previous historical deed initiatives, the project required the complete re-indexing of older land records in accordance with current Indexing Standards to ensure seamless integration with existing data in the system. Since the project's inception in 2022, the Authority has compensated clerks' offices more than \$7.3 million for their participation in this effort.
- ❖ Added additional instruments to

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www.gsccca.org through the **County-Funded Historical Deed, Lien & Plat Re-Indexing Project** for a total of more than six million instruments in production since the program was implemented in 2013. As a result of this project, the public has access to additional real estate information at no additional cost to the Authority, and clerks' offices have access to additional resources through print image fees initiated through the Authority's website. During FY 2026, three additional counties began participating in the project for a total of 105 counties in the voluntary program.

- ❖ Completed the **Pending Lien Project**, partnering with 46 counties to resolve and remove 3,102 Department of Revenue liens that had been pending for more than 1,000 days, achieving a 100% completion rate. To help prevent future backlogs, the Product Management Group continues to provide monthly notifications to counties and conduct one-on-one training, an approach that has proven effective in quickly resolving newly identified pending liens. At fiscal year-end, only 47 liens remained on the report — just 1.5% of the original project size.

- ❖ Expanded usage of **ePay**, the Authority's ACH payment platform, providing participating counties with a convenient and secure method for submitting UCC, real estate, and notary fees while maintaining access to payment history and records. The Authority continues to offer an ePay Portal training course on its eLearn platform to help counties navigate the site. At fiscal year-end, 87 counties were activated for participation — an increase of 19 counties over the previous year — with 59 counties actively utilizing the platform. During FY 2026, a total of 1,784 ACH payments were submitted through the portal.

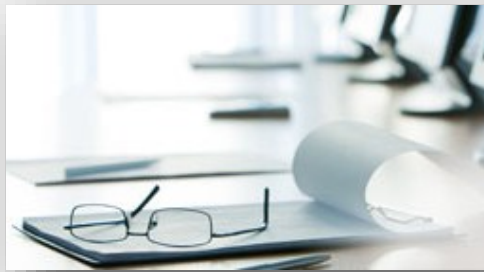
- ❖ Developed and launched the **Authority Product Participation Form** to track county enrollment in GSCCCA products and services, helping clerks identify available resources and opportunities for expanded engagement. Overall participation remains strong, with 38 counties enrolled in all tracked products and services and several programs nearing statewide adoption.

- ❖ Restored 265 GB of data to county systems in response to 11 clerk requests through the **VaultTek Online Archive Program**. Since 2007, VaultTek has provided Georgia's Superior Court clerks with a secure disaster recovery solution for protecting digital records. Today, the program safeguards more than 1.64 billion files totaling over 683 TB of live data and has responded to 259 data loss incidents, restoring more than 5.35 TB of data to county systems since its inception.

Training in the works for 2027

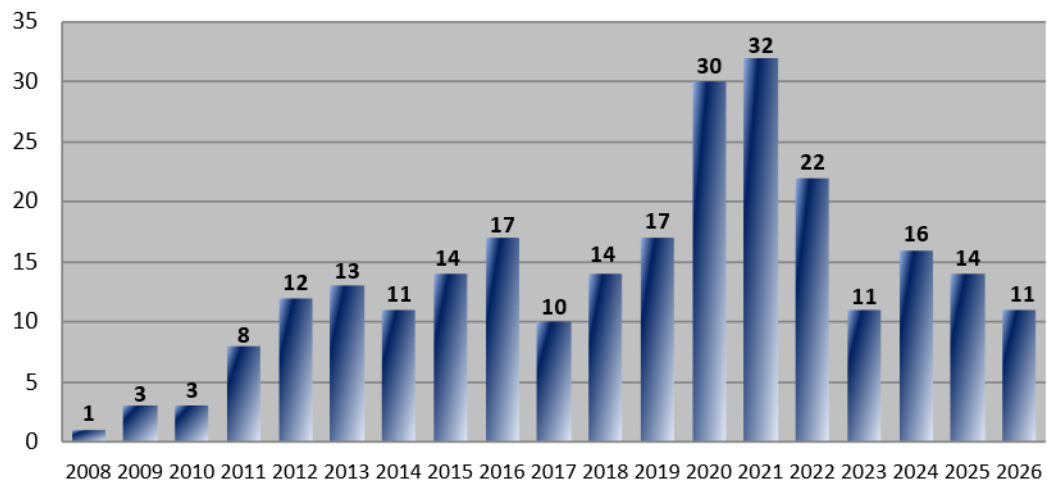
Planning for 2027 training is already underway. The Authority continually seeks session topics that will benefit clerks and their staff. Suggestions for new

training classes or offers to host sessions are always welcome. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Erika Lindsey, Program Manager, at erika.lindsey@gsccca.org or (800) 304-5175, ext. 1400. A schedule of remaining training opportunities for 2026 is shown on Page 12.



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Number of VaultTek Restore Requests by Fiscal Year



- ❖ Restored more than 31,950 deed, lien, and plat images to eight Superior Court clerk offices through the **Virtual Microfilm (VMF) Program**. Designed to preserve and protect Georgia's permanent land records, the VMF archive now stores more than 350 million images across nearly 597,000 record books, providing clerks with secure access to over 18.7 TB of archived data while supporting records preservation and disaster recovery efforts.
- ❖ Maintained a high level of customer service, with **HelpDesk** handling more than 35,000 support requests and resolving 87% on first contact.
- ❖ Achieved a compliance rate of nearly 100% for all courts through a dedicated and consistent notification process by the **Fines & Fees Division**.

Program Statistics – FY 2026 Highlights

Along with advancing key initiatives and delivering new capabilities and enhancements during FY 2026, the Authority continued to successfully manage its many existing programs. While numbers alone cannot capture the full impact of this work, the following statistics help illustrate the volume of activity handled by the Authority and the vital role it plays in sup-

porting Superior Court clerk offices and other constituencies across the state and beyond.

Following are highlights from FY 2026:

- ❖ Added nearly **19.8 million** images to the GSCCCA search system for a fiscal year-end total of nearly **368 million** images accessible to the public through www.gsccca.org.
- ❖ Recorded more than **1.7 million** unique website visitors and **507 million** page views during FY 2026. The public accessed the Authority's invaluable databases via the internet more than **5.7 million** times from 223 countries and regions.
- ❖ Deployed more than **1,500** pieces of new and upgraded equipment to clerks' offices, including CPUs, monitors, servers, laptops, and scanners. As part of its Statewide Computer Replacement Project, the Authority invested more than **\$1.2 million** in equipment for counties during FY 2026 to replace depreciated equipment. Since its inception, the Au-

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- thority has supplied nearly **36,000** pieces of equipment to clerks' offices statewide.
- ❖ Provided vital training for thousands of Georgians — including Superior Court clerks, their staffs, notaries, vendors, and other stakeholders — through **12 eLearn courses** and **97 training sessions**. Training is offered on a variety of topics utilizing online courses, in-person classes, webinars, one-on-one sessions, and conference presentations.
 - ❖ Collected and disbursed **\$100.6 million** in court fees, with an additional \$1.6 million in trust fund interest. The collected total is \$5.5 million more than last year's total and the most collected in over a decade.
 - ❖ Indexed and added to the database more than **290,000 UCCs** and conducted nearly **6,400 Certified Searches**. From the project's inception in 1995, the Authority has indexed more than **8.3 million UCCs** and conducted more than **318,000 Certified Searches**.
 - ❖ Continued to maintain the statewide notary database, with more than **47,000 notary commissions** issued by Superior Court clerks and then submitted to the Authority for inclusion in the database. At present, 154 counties participate in the Authority's web-based system, Notary Online, which processed **98%** of notary applications in FY 2026.
 - ❖ Processed nearly **25,000** apostille/authentication requests, with more than **60,000** apostilles issued — a **12%** increase over the previous fiscal year.
 - ❖ Added more than **124 million** files totaling over **125 TB** of data to VaultTek re-

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Remaining 2026 training

Numerous training opportunities are still available for the remainder of 2026 as detailed on the schedule below. To register for the Real Estate Indexing Standards class on October 8, go to www.gsccca.org/training. To register for one of the remaining webinars, go to www.gsccca.org/training. Additionally, the Authority's 12 online training courses are available 24/7. To learn more about or register for one of these courses, please visit <https://eLearn.gsccca.org>.

All training is open and free of charge to Superior Court clerks, their employees, and vendors. Some training is available to members of the public, including the Notary Public eLearn course, which is now mandatory for all Georgia citizens applying for or renewing their notary certificate. With questions, email training@gsccca.org.

In-person Classroom Training

October 8	Hamilton	Real Estate Indexing Standards
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Webinars

September 9	Good-From Dates, Good-Thru Dates
September 10	Fines and Fees
September 15	Navigating eLearn and Training
September 17	Common Indexing Transmission Errors
September 30	FANS
October 1	Common Indexing Transmission Errors
October 6	Navigating eLearn and Training
October 29	Pending Lien Search
November 3	eFile 101
November 5	Outlook 101



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mote servers, bringing the fiscal year-end total to more than **1.64 billion** files stored and protected in the online vault. The Authority also upgraded archive appliances in **11** counties during FY 2026.

- ❖ Imported over **8.4 million** new deed images, over **2 million** new lien images, and over **845,000** new plat images into the VMF system, bringing the fiscal year-end total to more than **350 million** images and over **18.7 TB** of protected data accessible for viewing through the VMF web interface.

Conclusion

As demonstrated by its work throughout FY 2026 and the accomplishments highlighted in this report, the Authority is committed to evolving and building for the future while remaining firmly grounded in its founding purpose: supporting Superior Court clerks in the operation of their offices. From modernizing critical infrastructure and strengthening cybersecurity to enhancing statewide systems and expanding electronic services, the fiscal year was marked by meaningful investments that will support the Authority's long-term success and sustainability.

These efforts reflect the Authority's ongoing commitment to innovation, responsible stewardship, and continuous improvement. They

also underscore the enduring partnership between the Authority and Georgia's Superior Court clerks — a partnership that has been central to the organization's success since its inception. Working together, the Authority and Superior Court clerks continue to develop and support solutions that benefit courts, government agencies, businesses, legal professionals, and citizens throughout the state.

Much has changed since the Authority's founding more than 30 years ago, and the pace of technological advancement continues to accelerate. Yet the principles that guided the Authority then remain the same today: a commitment to service, a willingness to embrace innovation, and a dedication to meeting the evolving needs of those it serves.

As the Authority moves forward, it does so with confidence, purpose, and a clear vision for what lies ahead. By continuing to invest in technology, strengthen its systems, and pursue new opportunities for improvement, the Authority is building on a strong foundation and ensuring it remains prepared to serve Georgia's Superior Court clerks and citizens for decades to come. ■

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