



Government Records Preservation

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HF Group, LLC, and the Government Records Preservation division, is pleased to announce that **James (Trace) Kirkwood** of Shelbyville, Kentucky has joined the GRP team as Sales Representative and Preservation Specialist.

Trace will have broad duties in assistance to the entire team for assessments and preservation consulting. His primary focus will include Clerks and Recorders in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Ohio, with some occasional focus in Virginia and North Carolina.

He brings significant experience in Archives and Special Collections and county government preservation in service to many county Clerks and Recorders in the state of Kentucky. He held several roles with the Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives, including responsibility as the manager of Micrographics and Imaging.

Trace has a passion for history and preservation and has demonstrated his commitment to this cause throughout his career. He is also a freelance researcher and writer, certified by the Kentucky State Heritage Council for work on historical projects. His background is unique, and his experience adds additional strength to our company and our Sales team.

Tim Baumgardner, GRP Sales Manager commented, *“As our services and capabilities at HF Group and GRP grow, strengthening our sales effort with experienced people like Trace is meaningful. He brings considerable knowledge in government records management and government records preservation. I have known Trace through our industry connections for several years. It is a pleasure to introduce him to our company and our clients!”*

HF Group’s Government Records Preservation services include repair, restoration, de-acidification, digital reformatting, and digital print reproduction of all types of government record books. Physical treatment services are based at the company’s facilities in **North Manchester, Indiana**, and **Greensboro, North Carolina**.

Our team is committed to serving not only direct government officials, recorders, and archives, but also government service providers (dealers) who have a strong history of working with state and local recorders and records managers.

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