

Curbside Closings Available from Real Estate Attorneys Cook & James

Atlanta-area real estate firm known for pioneering "at home" closing solutions adds a drive through option to keep transactions moving during the COVID-19 crisis.

ATLANTA (PRWEB) April 13, 2020 -- Cook & James, the Atlanta-based real estate law firm which pioneered at-home closings, has added curbside closings in response to the global coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) and associated social distancing mandates. Facilitating mobile closings since 2006, the firm is adept at creating convenience for all parties and making real time adjustments to complete closing transactions; curbside closings are the newest innovation from Cook & James.

During a curbside closing, people drive to the Cook & James office in either Roswell or Woodstock but stay in their vehicle and sign the required paperwork inside, thus the real estate closing transaction is completed without leaving their own automobile. Cook & James personnel with protective gear (masks and gloves) stay the appropriate distance away and facilitate the transaction. An attorney completes the closing as required by state law.

"This pandemic has hurled everyone into an unprecedented, difficult time but since closings and legal services like ours have been deemed an essential service, we are committed to serving our clients," said Kara Cook, cofounding partner at Cook & James. "We believe curbside closings can help everyone be safer and keep our country moving forward in a positive direction."

In addition to curbside, the Cook & James team is agile enough to offer several other closing options for various situations including their signature at-home solution which really means mobile. Creative, mobile spots where Cook & James has recently closed include the front porch, the garage, the driveway and even the neighborhood pool amenity complex. It is less preferred to close in the office but when that is the chosen option, all parties are physically in separate, sanitized conference rooms with abundant disinfecting wipes, hand sanitizer, masks and gloves. Due to some guidance from the Georgia governor as well as the Georgia Supreme Court, another option during this state of emergency is the fully remote closing. In a remote closing all parties must have the ability to be seen and heard via zoom or some other video conferencing platform but it should be noted this option is limited by lender and underwriter guidelines, so it may not be available for every closing.

"As people across the globe navigate these uncharted waters and adjust to the 'new normal,' we here at Cook & James promise to continue to innovate and offer closing solutions that comply with the law but also stop the spread of the coronavirus to keep everyone safe," said Heather James, co-founding partner at Cook & James.

To contact Cook & James for a personalized closing action plan, call 404.704.0440 or email close@CookAndJames.com.

About Cook & James

Founded in 2006 to fill a void in real estate transaction services, the attorney team at Cook & James is a pioneer of at-home closings. Specializing in refinancing, purchases, corporate relocations and more, team members can be 100% mobile to offer buyers, sellers and real estate agent partners the flexibility of closing anywhere that is convenient, including at-home. Cook & James attorneys and paralegal professionals bring everything needed to the closing to facilitate a smooth experience. Using a proprietary at-home closing platform, the firm's residential real estate legal solutions and expertise include purchases, mortgage refinances, title clearance, deed



preparation, corporate relocation assistance and more.

Kara Cook and Heather James are co-founding partners. The firm is based in the north Atlanta suburb of Alpharetta/Roswell, Ga., has a satellite office in Woodstock, Ga. Cook & James is also licensed to do business in Connecticut, New York and South Carolina. Learn more at www.CookAndJames.com.

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