WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §11-22-8

§11-22-8. Penalty for recording without documentary stamp; effect.

Any clerk who shall record any document upon which a tax is imposed by this article without the proper documentary stamp or stamps affixed thereto as required by this article as is indicated in such document or accompanying declaration shall, upon conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined $50.

Failure of the clerk to require the attachment of the proper number of stamps shall not affect the recordability of the instrument, if otherwise recordable and regularly recorded. The failure to pay this tax and to attach the required stamps shall not be or constitute a lien or claim against the property conveyed by the recorded instrument.

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