To insure you know the location of the property lines on the ground or if you need to have an instrument survey map prepared you need to arrange for a licensed land surveyor to mark the property lines by setting iron pins in the ground and/or prepare an instrument survey map. It is important to make sure you use a surveyor that is licensed in New York State and you can confirm licensure with the NYS Education Department website found at www.op.nysed.gov/opsearches. You can find licensed land surveyors, in the telephone yellow pages, on the internet and there is a member listing at the local surveyor association, Genesee Valley Land Surveyors Association found at www.gvlsa.com. If you have an instrument survey map from your purchase of the property you could consider contacting that surveyor to stake the property corners as they have already established your property lines.