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The Honorable A. Ellen White Chief Judge City of Lynchburg Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court P. O. Box 220 Rustburg, VA 24588

Audit Period: July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

Court System: City of Lynchburg Judicial District: Twenty-fourth

We are performing a statewide audit of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts. During our review of this court, we conducted certain audit procedures, as we deemed appropriate.

Management of this court is an important part of the court's accountability, since you are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls and complying with applicable laws and regulations. During our review, we noted certain matters that required management's attention and corrective action. These matters included:

Publicly Post Payment Plan Policy

The Clerk has not posted the court's official payment plan policy in the Clerk's office or on the court's website, as required by section 19.2-354 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>. Posting this information ensures that defendants are aware of the court's payment plan policies and aids in maximizing collection efforts. The Clerk should post the court's approved payment plan in accordance with the Code of Virginia.

We acknowledge the cooperation extended to us by the Court during this engagement.

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cc: The Honorable Mary K. Driskill, Judge Heather Hall Stevens, Clerk Paul F. DeLosh, Director of Judicial Services Supreme Court of Virginia