

Commonwealth of Hirginia

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January 26, 2010

The Honorable John Gregory Mooney Chief Judge City of Buena Vista General District Court P.O. Box 139 Covington, VA 24426

The Honorable Paul A. Tucker Chief Judge City of Buena Vista Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court P.O. Box 858 Fincastle, VA 24090

Audit Period: July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Court System: City of Buena Vista

Judicial District: Twenty-fifth

We are performing a statewide audit of the Combined General 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 no matters requiring written communication with court management.

During the audit period, the Supreme Court of Virginia had no formal guidance regarding approval of Clerk's leave submitted to the electronic leave reporting system. The Supreme Court of Virginia has since issued interim guidance regarding the implementation of internal controls over this process, and this court promptly implemented those controls.

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

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cc: The Honorable Gordon F. Saunders, Judge
Ginger L. Webb, Clerk
Paul F. DeLosh, Director of Judicial Services
Supreme Court of Virginia