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The Honorable Edward M. Turner III Chief Judge County of Carroll General District Court P.O. Box 698 Hillsville, VA 24343 The Honorable H. Lee Chitwood Chief Judge County of Carroll Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court 45 Third Street, Suite 102 Pulaski, VA 24301

The Honorable J. Colin Campbell, Chief Judge of the Circuit Court Magistrate Supervising Authority
Twenty-seventh Judicial District
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As part of our audit of the Virginia District Court System, we have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the County of Carroll District Court and the associated magistrates from the Twenty-seventh Judicial District for the period October 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005.

Our primary objectives were to test the accuracy of financial transactions recorded on the Court's financial management system and in the Magistrates' records; evaluate the Court's and the Magistrates' internal controls; and test compliance with significant state laws, regulations, and policies. However, our audit was more limited than would be necessary to provide assurance on the internal controls or on overall compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

The results of our tests found the Court and the Magistrates properly stated, in all material respects, the amounts recorded and reported in the financial management system and in the Magistrates' records; no material weaknesses in the internal controls; and no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

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

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cc: The Honorable M. Keith Blankenship, Judge
The Honorable Randall J. Duncan, Judge
Christine C. Beck, Clerk
Acting Chief Magistrate Jill Long, Chief Magistrate
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