

Commonwealth of Virginia

Auditor of Public Accounts

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The Honorable Marilynn C. Goss Chief Judge City of Richmond Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court

Audit Period:July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020Court System:City of RichmondJudicial District:Thirteenth

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 requiring management's attention and corrective action. These matters include the following:

Reconcile Bank Account

Repeat: No

The former Clerk did not reconcile the court's bank account during the audit period. Timely and complete reconciliations are an essential internal control. Allowing reconciling items to go unresolved can lead to errors and irregularities going undetected and increases the risk of loss of funds. The Clerk should perform monthly bank reconciliations upon receiving the bank statements as required by the Financial Management System User's Guide.

We acknowledge the cooperation extended to us by the Clerk and her staff during this engagement.

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cc: The Honorable Brice E. Lambert, Judge The Honorable Richard B. Campbell, Judge The Honorable Mary E. Langer, Judge The Honorable Ashley K. Tunner, Judge Felicia Edmonds-Rustin, Clerk Paul F. DeLosh, Director of Judicial Services Supreme Court of Virginia