

## Commonwealth of Virginia

## Auditor of Public Accounts

P.O. Box 1295 Richmond, Virginia 23218

November 23, 2021

The Honorable Deborah Bingham Clerk of the Circuit Court County of Northumberland

Richard F. Haynie, Board Chairman County of Northumberland

Audit Period: January 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021

Court System: County of Northumberland

We have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for this locality for the period noted above. Our primary objectives were to test the accuracy of financial transactions recorded on the Court's financial management system; evaluate the Court's internal controls; and test its compliance with significant state laws, regulations, and policies.

## Management's Responsibility

Court management has responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal controls and complying with applicable laws and regulations. Internal control is a process designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Deficiencies in internal controls could possibly lead to the loss of revenues or assets, or otherwise compromise fiscal accountability.

We noted no matters involving internal control and its operation necessary to bring to management's attention.

The Clerk has taken corrective action to remediate the internal control finding that we reported in the previous audit.

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

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