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The Honorable J. Jack Kennedy, Jr.
Clerk of the Circuit Court
County of Wise and the City of Norton

Dana G. Kilgore, Board Chairwoman
County of Wise

William Mays, Mayor
City of Norton

Audit Period: October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017
Court System: County of Wise and the City of Norton

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.

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

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cc: The Honorable Jeff Hamilton, Chief Judge
Shannon C. Scott, County Administrator
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