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The Honorable R. Bruce Long Chief Judge City of Williamsburg James City County General District Court P.O. Box 873 Gloucester, VA 23061-0873 The Honorable William H. Shaw II Magistrate Supervising Authority Ninth Judicial District P.O. Box 576 Gloucester, VA 23017-0576

As part of our audit of the Virginia District Court System, we have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the City of Williamsburg - James City County General District Court and the associated magistrates from the Ninth Judicial District for the period April 1, 2004 through March 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 internal controls; and no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

We discussed these comments with the Clerk on May 19, 2005 and we acknowledge the cooperation extended to us by the Court and the Magistrates during this engagement.

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cc: The Honorable Colleen K. Killilea, Judge Brenda Sumner, Clerk William J. Poggione, Chief Magistrate Paul Delosh, Director of Technical Assistance Supreme Court of Virginia