

## Commonwealth of Virginia

Auditor of Public Accounts

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June 10, 2022

The Honorable Staci N. Falls Clerk of the Circuit Court City of Staunton

Andrea Oakes, Mayor City of Staunton

Audit Period: January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022 Court System: City of Staunton

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 her staff during this engagement.

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 cc: The Honorable W. Chapman Goodwin, Chief Judge Leslie Beauregard, Interim City Manager
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