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The Honorable Gordon F. Willis Chief Judge County of Essex General District Court P.O. Box 339 Spotsylvania, VA 22553 The Honorable Larry E. Gilman Chief Judge County of Essex Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court P.O. Box 86 Hanover, VA 23069

As part of our audit of the Virginia District Court System, we have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the County of Essex General District Court for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

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. 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 properly stated, in all material respects, the amounts recorded and reported in the financial management system; no material weaknesses in the internal controls; and no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

We acknowledge the cooperation extended to us by the court during this engagement.

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cc: The Honorable J. Maston Davis, Judge Dee B. Davis, Clerk Paul F. DeLosh, Director of Judicial Services Supreme Court of Virginia