



# Commonwealth of Virginia

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Audit Period: July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011  
Court System: County of Buchanan  
Judicial District: Thirtieth  
Magisterial Region: One

We are performing a statewide audit of the Magistrates. During our review, we conducted certain audit procedures, as we deemed appropriate.

Management is an important part of the Magistrates' accountability, since you are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls and complying with applicable laws and regulations. During our review, we noted no matters requiring written communication with management.

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

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cc: William Walman, Magistrate Supervising Authority  
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Supreme Court of Virginia  
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