

Commonwealth of Virginia

Auditor of Public Accounts

P.O. Box 1295 Richmond, Virginia 23218

March 30, 2018

The Honorable Marvin H. Dunkum, Jr.
Chief Judge
County of Appomattox Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court
P.O. Box 127
Buckingham, VA 23921

Audit Period: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017

Court System: County of Appomattox

Judicial District: Tenth

We are performing a statewide audit of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts. During our review of this court, we conducted certain audit procedures, as we deemed appropriate.

Management of this court is an important part of the court's accountability, since you are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls and complying with applicable laws and regulations. During our review, we noted certain matters that required management's attention and corrective action. These matters included:

Request Tax Set-Off Refunds

Repeat: No

The former Clerk did not submit claims to the Virginia Department of Taxation (Taxation) for tax set-off of refunds for delinquent court fines and costs totaling \$2,409, resulting in a loss of revenue to the Commonwealth and Locality. A court must submit claims for set-off of tax refunds through Taxation's automated accounting system. The Clerk should use the tax refund set-off process to maximize collections as required by the Code of Virginia.

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

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cc: Key'Anna Beanum, Clerk
Paul F. DeLosh, Director of Judicial Services
Supreme Court of Virginia