

## Commonwealth of Virginia

## Auditor of Public Accounts

P.O. Box 1295 Richmond, Virginia 23218

January 9, 2025

The Honorable John Hart, Jr.
Chief Judge
County of Clarke General District Court

Audit Period: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

Court System: County of Clarke Judicial District: Twenty-sixth

We are performing a statewide audit of the General 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 the following matter requiring management's attention and corrective action.

## **Escheat Unclaimed Property**

Repeat: No

The Clerk did not report and remit unclaimed property as required by § 55.1-2524 of the Code of Virginia. At the end of the audit period, the Clerk was holding \$98 in unclaimed funds. The Clerk should escheat these funds to the Virginia Department of the Treasury Division of Unclaimed Property and annually report and remit all unclaimed funds as required by the Code of Virginia.

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

Staci A. Henshaw
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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cc: The Honorable Amy Tisinger, Judge

Julie Aemmer, Clerk

Paul F. DeLosh, Director of Judicial Services

Supreme Court of Virginia