Wendy Hughes, Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Chesterfield, Virginia

> Report on Examination As of January 5, 2024

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Amanda Pohl Clerk of the Circuit Court County of Chesterfield, Virginia

James Holland, Board Chairman County of Chesterfield, Virginia

Staci A. Henshaw, CPA Auditor of Public Accounts

We have examined the Statement of Assets and Liabilities of Wendy Hughes, former Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Chesterfield, Virginia as of January 5, 2024. The Clerk of the Circuit Court is an elected constitutional officer who administers the County of Locality's court of record. The outgoing Clerk is responsible for the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as well as all records supporting the amounts presented in this financial statement. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Statement of Assets and Liabilities is in accordance with the criteria, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

In our opinion, the schedule referred to above presents, in all material respects, the Statement of Assets and Liabilities of Wendy Hughes, former Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Chesterfield, Virginia as of January 5, 2024, based on Chapter 7 of the *Specifications for Audits of Counties, Cities, and Towns* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts.

Brown, Edwards & Company, S. L. P.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Harrisonburg, Virginia January 5, 2024

COUNTY OF CHESTERFIELD, VIRGINIA TURNOVER OF CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

AS OF JANUARY 5, 2024

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 7,969,325.56
Unreimbursed Clerk's Expenses	-
Installment Receivables	 38,531,146.53
	\$ 46,500,472.09
Liabilities	
Due to the Commonwealth of Virginia	\$ 283,083.93
Due to the County of Chesterfield	867,545.81
Collections for Others	2,347,213.76
Depository Bonds	749,105.86
Money under control of the court	3,416,524.02
Condemnation Funds	106,061.86
Accounts Receivable	38,531,146.53
Unspecificied receipts	 199,790.32
Total	\$ 46,500,472.09

This Statement was prepared using the cash basis of accounting, which records cash receipts when received and disbursements when made.