April 19, 2010

The Honorable Paul Ferguson
Clerk of the Circuit Court
County of Arlington

Board of Supervisors
County of Arlington

Audit Period: October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009
Court System: County of Arlington

We have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for this locality. 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.

Management’s Responsibility

Court management has responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal controls and complying with applicable laws and regulations. Internal control is a process designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Deficiencies in internal controls could possibly lead to the loss of revenues or assets, or otherwise compromise fiscal accountability.

We noted no matters involving internal control and its operation necessary to bring to management’s attention.
We acknowledge the cooperation extended to us by the Court during this engagement.