



Commonwealth of Virginia

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The Honorable J.T. Cannon
Chief Judge
County of Rappahannock General District Court
P.O. Box 206
Washington, VA 22747

The Honorable H. Dudley Payne, Jr.
Chief Judge
County of Rappahannock Juvenile and
Domestic Relations District Court
P.O. Box 206
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As part of our audit of the Virginia District Court System, we have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the County of Rappahannock District Court for the period July 1, 1998 through September 30, 2000.

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. However, our audit was more limited than would be necessary to provide assurance on the internal controls or on overall compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

The results of our tests found the Court properly stated, in all material respects, the amounts recorded and reported in the financial management system; no material weaknesses in the internal controls; and no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

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

AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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cc: The Honorable Charles B. Foley, Judge
The Honorable Dudley Payne, Jr. Judge
Patricia M. Davis, Clerk
Don Lucido, Director of Technical Assistance
Supreme Court of Virginia