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The Honorable Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore, North Carolina Senate
Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

The Honorable James B. Black
The Honorable Richard T. Morgan
Speakers, North Carolina House of Representatives
Co-Chairs, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

The Honorable Kay Hagen
The Honorable Linda Garrou
The Honorable Walter Dalton
Co-Chairs, Senate Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Wilma Sherrill
The Honorable James Crawford
The Honorable Robert Grady
The Honorable Rex Baker
The Honorable Debbie Clary
The Honorable Beverly Earle
The Honorable William Owens
The Honorable Thomas Wright
Co-Chairs, House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Scott Thomas
Co-Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety
And Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations JPS Subcommittee

The Honorable Joe Kiser
The Honorable Bill Culpepper
Co-Chairs, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety
And Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations JPS Subcommittee

The Honorable R. Phillip Haire
Co-Chair, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

Re: Court Information Technology Fund

Dear Senators and Representatives:

G. S. 7A-343.2 requires the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts to report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to Appropriation Chairs regarding all monies

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collected and deposited in the Court Information Technology Fund and on the proposed expenditure of those funds.

This letter summarizes: 1) the fees and interest collected during October 1, 2003 through January 30, 2004 and 2) a report regarding the fund including a proposed plan for expenditures of additional uncommitted funds.

The table below shows by month the receipts and interest collected October 1, 2003 through January 30, 2004:

**COURT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND
RECEIPTS BY MONTH INCLUDING INTEREST COLLECTED
OCTOBER 1, 2003 – JANUARY 30, 2004**

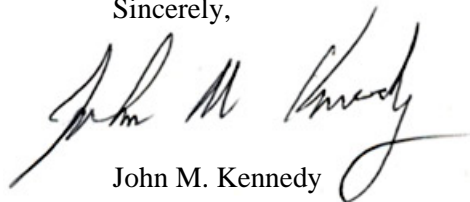
Month	Monthly Receipts	Interest Collected	Total
October 2003	\$158,522.89	\$1,279.59	\$159,802.48
November 2003	\$163,120.36	\$2,509.86	\$165,630.22
December 2003	\$156,011.78	\$3,521.39	\$159,533.17
January 2004	\$144,822.45	\$4,259.53	\$149,081.98
Totals	\$622,477.48	\$11,570.37	\$634,047.85

For the monies collected under this fund during October 1, 2003 through January 30, 2004, as itemized in the above table, AOC's plans to spend the funds in these major areas:

- Replacement and acquisition of computer equipment including hardware and software; and
- Receipt supported personnel for eight positions previously approved by the legislature. The annual cost of these eight positions is approximately \$240,000 on a semi-annual basis.

We respectfully submit this report to you. Please do not hesitate to contact Cliff Layman, AOC's Chief Information Officer, or me if we can provide you with any additional information regarding the Court Information Technology Fund.

Sincerely,



John M. Kennedy

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