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The Honorable Mark 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

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The Honorable Linda Garrou
The Honorable Walter Dalton

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The Honorable Scott Thomas

Co-Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

The Honorable Joe Kiser

The Honorable R. Phillip Haire

Co-Chairs, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

The Honorable William Culpepper

Co-Chair, Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee of Governmental Operations

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 you regarding all monies collected and deposited in the Court Information Technology Fund and on the proposed expenditure of those funds. We reported by letter in August, reflecting collections through June 2003.

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This letter summarizes: 1) the fees and interest collected during July 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003 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 July 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003:

COURT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND RECEIPTS BY MONTH INCLUDING INTEREST COLLECTED JULY 1, 2003 – JUNE 30, 2003

| Month | Monthly Receipts | Interest Collected | Total |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| July 2003 | \$165,319.39 | \$2,484.65 | \$167,804.04 |
| August 2003 | \$165,405.09 | \$1,928.53 | \$167,333.62 |
| September 2003 | \$171,966.59 | \$ 770.81 | \$172,737.40 |
| Totals | \$502,691.07 | \$5,183.99 | \$507,875.06 |

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

- Replacement and acquisition of computer equipment (hardware and software); and
- Receipt supported personnel for positions previously approved by the legislature.

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.

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