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

The Honorable Joe Hackney Speaker, North Carolina House of Representatives Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

Re: Contracts for Remote Electronic Access to Court Records

Dear Senator Basnight and Representative Hackney:

G.S. 7A-109(e) requires the Director of the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) to report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations regarding all contracts entered into with third parties to provide remote electronic access to court records by the public, pursuant to G.S. 7A-109(d), during a calendar year. Attached, please find a listing of all NCAOC customers that had contracts for remote public access or batch extracts, as well as government agencies that paid for online access, during calendar year 2009.

We respectfully submit this report to you. Please do not hesitate to contact Cliff Layman, NCAOC's Chief Information Officer, or me if we can provide you with any additional information regarding NCAOC's contracts for remote electronic access.

Sincerely,

John W. Smith

cc: Sarah Fuerst, Bill Drafting Division Denise Thomas, Fiscal Research Division Gregg Stahl, NCAOC Senior Deputy Director Rex Whaley, NCAOC Financial Services Cliff Layman, NCAOC Chief Information Officer