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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

The Honorable Charles W. Albertson The Honorable Charlie S. Dannelly The Honorable Linda Garrou The Honorable A.B. Swindell Co-Chairs, Senate Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Henry M. Michaux, Jr., Senior Chairman The Honorable Alma Adams
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Co-Chairs, House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Eleanor Kinnaird The Honorable John Snow Co-Chairs, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

The Honorable Alice L. Bordsen
The Honorable Jimmy L. Love, Sr.
Co-Chairs, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

Re: Court Information Technology Fund, G.S. 7A-343.2

Dear Senators and Representatives:

G.S. 7A-343.2 requires the Director of the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) to report to you on a semi-annual basis regarding the Court Information Technology Fund (Fund). Specifically, the report must include "(1) the amounts credited in the preceding six months to the Fund; (2) amounts expended in

the preceding six months from the Fund and the purposes of the expenditures; and (3) proposed expenditures of the funds funds."

1. Amounts credited in the preceding six months to the fund — January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2009:

Amounts Credited Source	Amount (\$)
Remote public access – online access fees	\$1,784,721
Remote public access – extracts fees	117,195
Facilities fees for telephone system replacement and maintenance	754,149
Interest	101,339
Total	\$2,757,404

2. Amounts expended in the preceding six months from the Fund and the purposes of the expenditures — January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2009:

Expenditure	Purpose	Amount (\$)
Personnel	Augment staff to support ongoing programs and services	\$521,303
Purchased services	Services required to ensure ongoing operations	2,260,379
Equipment	Replace obsolete computer equipment and software	4,565,958
Total		\$7,347,640

3. Proposed expenditures of the funds funds — July 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009.

Expenditure	Purpose	Amount (\$)
Personnel	Augment staff to support ongoing programs and services — 13 authorized staff	\$635,418
Purchased services	Computer hardware and software maintenance	\$657,704
Equipment	Replace obsolete computer equipment; purchase new computer hardware and software	\$526,723
Total		\$1,819,845

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 the Court Information Technology Fund.

Sincerely,

John W. Smith

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