

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
KARL R. HADE

**ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY &
LEGAL COUNSEL**
EDWARD M. MACON

COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
LELIA BAUM HOPPER, DIRECTOR

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
CAROLINE E. KIRKPATRICK, DIRECTOR

FISCAL SERVICES
JOHN B. RICKMAN, DIRECTOR

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MELINDA LEWIS, DIRECTOR

SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA



OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
100 NORTH NINTH STREET
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23219-2334
(804) 786-6455

HUMAN RESOURCES
JOHN M. CARTER, DIRECTOR

JUDICIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
ROBERT L. SMITH, DIRECTOR

JUDICIAL PLANNING
CYRIL W. MILLER, JR., DIRECTOR

JUDICIAL PROGRAMS
KARL A. DOSS, DIRECTOR

JUDICIAL SERVICES
PAUL F. DELOSH, DIRECTOR

LEGAL RESEARCH
STEVEN L. DALLE MURA, DIRECTOR

LEGISLATIVE & PUBLIC RELATIONS
KATYA N. HERNDON, DIRECTOR

July 31, 2007

To: Hon. John H. Chichester, Chairman
Senate Finance Committee
Senate of Virginia

Hon. Vincent F. Callahan, Jr., Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
House of Delegates

From: Karl R. Hade, Executive Secretary
Supreme Court of Virginia

Subject: Report Required by Item 34, Paragraph E, of the Appropriations Act Chapter 847, 2007,
Acts of Assembly

APPLICABLE BUDGET PROVISION

The 2007 Appropriations Act requires this office to report on actions taken to comply with the requirement that courts seek reimbursement from parents/guardians for the costs of services rendered by a guardian ad litem for children. This language is in Item 34, Paragraph E, and requires the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia to report August 1 and January 1 each year on the amounts paid for Guardian ad Litem purposes, amounts reimbursed by parents and/or guardians and the savings achieved.

Compliance with Budget Requirements

Amounts paid for guardian ad litem purposes; amounts reimbursed by parents and/or guardians; savings achieved. These three components of the required report are accounted for as follows for the months of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

- Amounts paid for guardians ad litem – \$ 12,963,009
- Amounts assessed against parents – \$ 1,512,151
- Amounts collected from parents (savings) - \$ 918,306

If additional information is needed about the implementation of this budget requirement by the court system, please feel free to contact me at 804-786-6455.

C:Richard E. Hickman, Jr., Deputy Staff Director

Senate Finance Committee

Paul Van Lenten, House Appropriations Committee