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December 28, 2009

The Honorable Charles J. Colgan, Chairman  
Senate Finance Committee  
Senate of Virginia  
10677 Aviation Lane  
Manassas, VA 20110-2701

The Honorable Lacey E. Putney, Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
Virginia House of Delegates  
P.O. Box 127  
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RE: Report on the amounts paid for Guardian ad Litem purposes, amounts reimbursed by parents and/or guardians and the savings achieved.

Dear Chairmen Colgan and Putney:

Pursuant to Item 42, Paragraph E, of the Appropriations Act Chapter 781, 2009 Acts of Assembly, the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia is required to submit a report on August 1 and January 1 each year 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. Please find below an account of the amounts paid for Guardian ad Litem purposes, amounts reimbursed by parents and/or guardians and the savings achieved from July 1, 2009 through November 30th, 2009.

- Amounts paid for guardians ad litem – \$ 6,702,345
- Amounts assessed against parents – \$ 782,234
- Amounts collected from parents (savings) – \$ 448,214

If additional information is needed about the implementation of this budget requirement by the court system, please do not hesitate to contact me at 786-6455.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K R Hade".

Karl R. Hade

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cc: Richard E. Hickman, Jr., Senate Finance Committee  
Michael Jay, House Appropriations Committee  
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