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The Honorable Thomas K. Norment, Jr.
Chairman, Senate Courts of Justice Committee
P.O. Box 6205
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The Honorable David B. Albo
Chairman, House Courts of Justice Committee
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Dear Chairmen:

In accordance with Chapter 1024, enactment clause 2, of the 2004 Acts of Assembly, please find below information on the number of petitions for writs of actual innocence filed pursuant to Chapter 19.3 of Title 19.2, and the dispositions thereof, for calendar year 2013.

- Four petitions were pending on January 1, 2013.
- Twenty-seven petitions were filed in 2013.
- Twenty-six petitions were disposed of in 2013. The dispositions of those cases were as follows:
 - Twenty-three petitions were summarily dismissed.
 - Two petitions were dismissed following consideration of the Attorney General's response to the petition and petitioner's reply thereto, if any.
 - One writ was issued, and petitioner's convictions vacated.
- Five petitions were pending as of December 31, 2013.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.
With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Karl R. Hade

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cc: Division of Legislative Automated Systems
Cynthia L. McCoy, Clerk of the Court of Appeals of Virginia