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January 3, 2018

The Honorable Mark D. Obenshain
Chairman, Senate Courts of Justice Committee
P.O. Box 555
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22803

The Honorable Robert B. Bell
Acting-Chairman, House Courts of Justice Committee
2309 Finch Court
Charlottesville, Virginia 22911

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 2017.

- Three petitions were pending on January 1, 2017.
- Twenty-nine petitions were filed in 2017.
- Twenty-eight petitions were disposed of in 2017. The dispositions of those cases were as follows:
 - Twenty-five petitions were summarily dismissed.
 - Three petitions were dismissed following consideration of the Attorney General's response to the petition and petitioner's reply thereto, if any.
- Four petitions were pending as of December 31, 2017.

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

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "KR HADE".

Karl R. Hade

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