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July 14, 2022

The Honorable Janet D. Howell  
Chair, Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee  
Senate of Virginia  
P.O. Box 2608  
Reston, VA 20195-0608

The Honorable Barry D. Knight  
Chair, House Appropriations Committee  
Virginia House of Delegates  
1852 Mill Landing Road  
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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 Chairs Howell and Knight:

Pursuant to Virginia Code §16.1-267(C)(1), the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia is required to submit a report on August 1 and January 1 on actions taken to comply with the requirement that courts seek reimbursement from parents/guardians for the costs of services rendered by guardians 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, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

- Amounts paid for guardians ad litem – \$ 19,986,786
- Amounts assessed against parents – \$ 3,658,149
- Amounts collected from parents (savings) – \$ 2,256,652

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

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of Karl R. Hade in black ink.

Karl R. Hade

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Guardians Ad Litem  
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cc: Adam Rosatelli, Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee  
Andrea Peeks, House Appropriations Committee  
Sandra L. Karison, Director, Court Improvement Program  
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