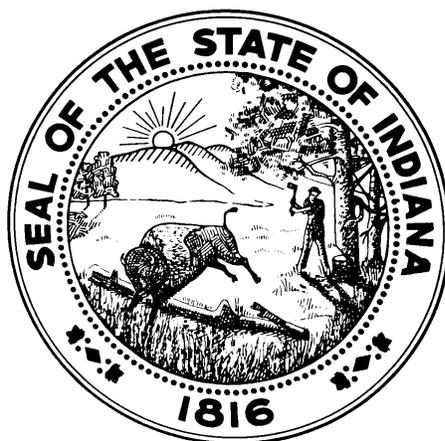


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AUDIT REPORT  
OF

CITY COURT  
CITY OF ANDERSON  
MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007



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Clerk	Sheila D. Ashley	01-01-04 to 12-31-11
Judge	Honorable Donald R. Phillippe	01-01-04 to 12-31-11
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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF ANDERSON, MADISON COUNTY

We have audited the records of the City Court for the period from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007, and certify that the records and accountability for cash and other assets are satisfactory to the best of our knowledge and belief, except as stated in the Audit Result and Comment. The financial transactions of this office are reflected in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the City of Anderson for the year 2007.

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June 2, 2008

CITY COURT  
CITY OF ANDERSON  
AUDIT RESULT AND COMMENT

PUBLIC DEFENDER FEES

The Anderson City Court currently assesses a Public Defender fee for some cases. Currently, the City Court Administrator is forwarding the Public Defender fee collections monthly to the City Controller and the fees are posted to the Court Supplemental Public Defender Fund. This money is not forwarded to the County's Public Defender Fund. A similar comment appeared in prior Report B30424.

The home rule statute [IC 36-1-3-5(a)] prohibits a governmental unit from exercising powers that are expressly granted to another unit.

Indiana Code 33-40-3 authorizes a County to assess a Public Defender fee.

Indiana Code 33-40-3-1 states: "A supplemental public defender services fund is established in each county. The fund consists of amounts deposited under section 9 of this chapter."

Indiana Code 33-40-3-5 states: "A county may not have more than one (1) program providing court appointed legal services in the county, unless the fiscal body of the county agrees to allow additional court appointed legal services programs in the county."

CITY COURT  
CITY OF ANDERSON  
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on July 16, 2008, with Honorable Donald R. Phillippe, Judge.