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EXAMINATION REPORT
OF

MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS COURT,
PIKE TOWNSHIP DIVISION
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010



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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE MARION COUNTY SMALL
CLAIMS COURT, PIKE TOWNSHIP DIVISION

We have examined the records of the Marion County Small Claims Court, Pike Township Division for the period from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010, 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 Examination Result and Comment. The financial transactions of this office are reflected in the Biennial Report of Pike Township for the two year period ending December 31, 2010.

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June 13, 2011

MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS COURT, PIKE TOWNSHIP DIVISION
EXAMINATION RESULT AND COMMENT

TRUST ITEMS OVER FIVE YEARS OLD

Our review of balances on hand revealed that the Pike Township Small Claims Court has carried old outstanding trust checks for over five years. Review of the outstanding check list as of December 31, 2010, identified 22 outstanding trust checks that had been held for over five years in the amount of \$715. This money should be remitted to the Attorney General.

Indiana Code 32-34-1-20(c) states in part:

"Property that is held, issued, or owed in the ordinary course of a holder's business is presumed abandoned if the owner or apparent owner has not communicated in writing with the holder concerning the property or has not otherwise given an indication of interest in the property during the following times: . . .

- (6) For property or proceeds held by a court or a court clerk, five (5) years after the property or proceeds become distributable. The property or proceeds must be treated as unclaimed property under IC 32-34-3. . . ."

MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS COURT, PIKE TOWNSHIP DIVISION
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on June 13, 2011, with Lula M. Patton, Trustee; Hon. A. Douglas Stephens, Judge of the Small Claims Court; and Lynn Faulk, Court Administrator.