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Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances - Regulatory Basis of the Lee County Fiscal Court, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statement, which collectively comprise the Lee County Fiscal Court's financial statement as listed in the table of contents.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompany financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and changes in fund balances - regulatory basis of the Lee County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2023, in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note I.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statement does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the Lee County Fiscal Court, for the year ended June 30, 2023, or the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Basis For Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Fiscal Court Audit Guide issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Lee County Fiscal Court and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note I of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Lee County Fiscal Court on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note I and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statement

Lee County Fiscal Court's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. This includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statement, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Lee County Fiscal Court's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statement.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lee County Fiscal Court's internal control.

Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statement.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Lee County Fiscal Court's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement taken as a whole of the Lee County Fiscal Court. The Budgetary Comparison Schedules, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statement; however, they are required to be presented in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department for Local Government to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws.

The accompanying Budgetary Comparison Schedules and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement or to the financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Budgetary Comparison Schedules and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statement as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in this report. The other information is comprised of the schedule of capital assets but does not include the financial statement and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statement does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial statement, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statement, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 16, 2025, on our consideration of the Lee County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lee County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Lee County Fiscal Court's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Morgan and Associates, LLC
West Liberty, Kentucky
January 16, 2025

Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Tommy Bennett has filed a Final Settlement as executor for the state of the deceased, Betty Sue Bennett, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April, 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of May, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

Henley McIntosh
P.O. Box 848 -Booneville, KY 41314

Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Naomi Frost has filed a Final Settlement as executor for the state of the deceased, John D Frost, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April, 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of May, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

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Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Ida Gilbert has filed a Final Settlement as executor for the state of the deceased, Tony Gilbert, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April, 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of May, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

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Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Laura Gay has filed a Final Settlement as executor for the state of the deceased, William Gay, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April, 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of May, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

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Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Amy Wilder has filed a Final Settlement as Administrator for the estate of the deceased, Joe Bob McDaniel, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of April, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

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Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Connie Cavins has filed a Final Settlement as Executrix for the estate of the deceased, Fred Hartsock, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of April, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

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Notice of Filing Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Brenda Burns has filed a Final Settlement as Administrator for the estate of the deceased, Rocky Burns, late of Owsley County, Kentucky on the 17th day of April 2025. A hearing is scheduled for the 22nd day of April, 2025 and any exception to the Final Settlement must be filed before that date.

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Lee County District Court
Case# 25-P-00
04-08-2025

LEGAL NOTICE

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF: Lori Ann Ellison

Please take notice that Tasha Ellison was on the 8th day of April, 2025 appointed and qualified as the Executor or Executrix/Administrator or Administratrix of the estate of Lori Ann Ellison deceased, of Beattyville, Kentucky, and any all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present same, verified according to law, to said THOMAS K. HOLLON, Attorney for the Estate or Tasha Ellison the Executor or Executrix/Administrator or Administratrix, within six (6) months from the above date and all persons indebted to said Estate are hereby requested to make payment to either the reverence person(s) within six (6) from the above date.

THOMAS K. Hollon
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OR

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