

AGENDA PLACEMENT FORM

(Submission Deadline – Monday, 5:00 PM before Regular Court Meetings)

Date: 01/14/2026

Meeting Date: 01/26/2026

Submitted By: Steve Watson

Department: County Auditor

Signature of Elected Official/Department Head:

[Handwritten Signature]

Court Decision: <small>This section to be completed by County Judge's Office</small>


Description:

Acknowledge the FY25 Q4 Audit Reports
for the attached list of Accounts:

(May attach additional sheets if necessary)

Person to Present: Steve Watson

(Presenter must be present for the item unless the item is on the Consent Agenda)

Supporting Documentation: (check one) PUBLIC CONFIDENTIAL

(PUBLIC documentation may be made available to the public prior to the Meeting)

Estimated Length of Presentation: N/A minutes

Session Requested: (check one)

Action Item Consent Workshop Executive Other _____

Check All Departments That Have Been Notified:

County Attorney IT Purchasing Auditor
 Personnel Public Works Facilities Management

Other Department/Official (list) _____

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31.	Tax Office – Auto
32.	Tax Office – Boat
33.	Tax Office - Sales Tax
34.	Treasurer



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Diane Crowe <dcrowe@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Thu 20-Nov-25 7:24 AM

To Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Angela Bowman <abowman@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good morning,

I agree with the findings in the FY25 Q4 Audit letter.

Thank you.
Diane Crowe

From: Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 7:15 AM

To: Diane Crowe <dcrowe@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Angela Bowman <abowman@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Crowe,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

sw

Steve Watson
Johnson County Auditor

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November 18th, 2025

Ms. Diane Crowe
Director, CSCD
Johnson and Somervell Counties
425 West Chambers
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 CSCD Adult Probation

Dear Ms. Crowe,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Sections 112 and 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Community Supervision Correction Departments (CSCD), Correction Software Solutions (CSS) Bank Reconciliation, Receipt Reports and the Certified Payment Credit Card processor as well as the new CSS Credit Card reports for the period ending September 2025.

Background

Johnson County CSCD is a multi-district adult probation department that supervises offenders who are on court ordered community supervision in Johnson and Somervell Counties. The department has various specialized units, including Court Services, Bond, Substance Abuse and SAFPF, Sex Offender and Mental Health, and Community Service. Various fees and restitution payments are collected by the department.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the CSCD Offices, CSS system reports and the bank reports for this period.

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined the CSS reconciliation reports and the daily deposit receipt documents, to the bank statement for this period. We ensured that funds collected were posted timely.

Findings

There are no material findings that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of this office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



Re: FY25 Q4 Hamm Creek Park Audit Letter Draft

From Rick Bailey <rickb@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Wed 10-Dec-25 11:00 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Keli Pack <kpack@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Looks good. Thanks for all that you do.

Regards,
Rick Bailey

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 10:36 AM
To: Rick Bailey <rickb@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Keli Pack <kpack@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Hamm Creek Park Audit Letter Draft

Commissioner Bailey,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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December 10th, 2025

The Honorable Rick Bailey
Commissioner Precinct One
Johnson County
3400 FM 1434
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Hamm Creek Park

Dear Commissioner Bailey,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for Hamm Creek Park for the time period ending September 30, 2025.

Background

Hamm Creek Park is responsible for the care and safekeeping of the park and its records for Johnson County. The staff manages and maintains the records for all park fees, distributing park passes for the day, weekend, or annual use. There are RV hookups, tent spaces and day recreation areas with picnic shelters, playgrounds, clean restrooms and other amenities available.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the Park's bank statements, and supporting documents for this period.

Objective

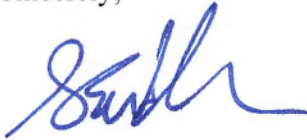
To accomplish this audit, we examined the collateral documents and ensured they were current, met statutory minimums, and were properly recorded. We verified funds collected on the Innoprise report matched the monthly receipt log of fees received for all corresponding passes.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steve Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Constable 1 Audit Letter Draft

From Matt Wylie <mwylie@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Fri 07-Nov-25 12:51 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Julie Cordell <jcordell@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Approve and Thank You,



Matt Wylie

Constable, Precinct One
Johnson County
3390 FM. 1434
Cleburne, Texas 76033
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817.556.6868

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From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Friday, November 7, 2025 9:30 AM

To: Matt Wylie <mwylie@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Julie Cordell <jcordell@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Constable 1 Audit Letter Draft

Constable Wylie,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

sw

Steve Watson
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November 5th, 2025

The Honorable Matt Wylie
Constable Precinct One
Johnson County
3390 FM 1434
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Constable Precinct One

Dear Constable Wylie,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Constable Precinct One for the time period ending September 2025.

Background

Constables specialize in the enforcement of Civil Law. They play a vital role in enforcing judgments rendered in civil cases, such as evictions, divorces, child custody and property disputes. They seize and sell personal property of defendants and apply the proceeds of those sales towards judgements awarded to plaintiffs. They also sell property seized for non-payment of taxes.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the bank statements and supporting documents for this period.

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Innoprise matched the monthly Odyssey reports of fees received.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



Re: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Adam S. Crawford <AdamC@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Thu 13-Nov-25 2:06 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Melyn M. Thompson <Melyn@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Looks good. Thanks

Stay Safe,

Adam S. Crawford

Texas Constable

Serving the People of Precinct 2

Johnson County, Texas



Burleson Sub-Courthouse

247 Elk Drive, Room 209

Burleson, Texas 76028-5645

Office (817) 202-2967

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From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2025 8:48 AM

To: Adam S. Crawford <AdamC@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Melyn M. Thompson <Melyn@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Constable Crawford,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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November 10th, 2025

The Honorable Adam Crawford
Constable Precinct Two
Johnson County
247 Elk Drive
Burleson, Texas 76028

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Constable Precinct Two

Dear Constable Crawford,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Constable Precinct Two for the time period ending September 30, 2025.

Background

Constables specialize in the enforcement of Civil Law. They play a vital role in enforcing judgments rendered in civil cases, such as evictions, divorces, child custody and property disputes. They seize and sell personal property of defendants and apply the proceeds of those sales towards judgements awarded to plaintiffs. They also sell property seized for non-payment of taxes.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the bank statements, and supporting documents for this period

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Innoprise matched the monthly Odyssey reports of fees received.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

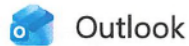
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Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



Re: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Steven C. Williams <Steven.Williams@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Wed 19-Nov-25 7:31 AM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Looks good. thanks

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 7:16 AM

To: Steven C. Williams <Steven.Williams@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Jennifer Cagle <jcagle@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: Fw: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Constable Williams,

This is a friendly reminder to review and approve the attached audit letter.
If you have any concerns or questions, please let us know.

Thank you/

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Friday, November 7, 2025 2:17 PM

To: Steven C. Williams <Steven.Williams@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Jennifer Cagle <jcagle@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Constable Williams,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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November 7th, 2025

The Honorable Steve Williams
Constable Precinct Three
Johnson County
206 N. Baugh St.
Alvarado, Texas 76009

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Constable Precinct Three

Dear Constable Williams,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Constable Precinct Three for the period ending September 30th 2025.

Background

Constables specialize in the enforcement of Civil Law. They play a vital role in enforcing judgments rendered in civil cases, such as evictions, divorces, child custody and property disputes. They seize and sell personal property of defendants and apply the proceeds of those sales towards judgements awarded to plaintiffs. They also sell property seized for non-payment of taxes.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the bank statements and supporting documents for this period.

Objective

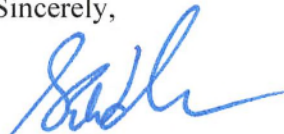
To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Innoprise matched the monthly Odyssey reports of fees received.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

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Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



Outlook

RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Troy L. Fuller <troy@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Wed 19-Nov-25 3:02 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

This constable has reviewed the Audit letter for this period and is in agreement with the no exceptions finding.
Thanks

Thank you,

Troy Fuller



Constable, Precinct 4
Johnson County
2 N. Main St. Ste B6
Cleburne, TX 76033
817-556-6363 ext 1547
817-556-6083 - Fax

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 7:26 AM
To: Troy L. Fuller <troy@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Brenda Tucker <btucker@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: Fw: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Constable Fuller,

This is a friendly reminder to review and approve the attached audit letter.
If you have any concerns or questions, please let us know.

Thank you.

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Monday, November 10, 2025 8:51 AM
To: Troy L. Fuller <troy@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Brenda Tucker <btucker@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Constable Fuller,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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November 10th, 2025

The Honorable Troy Fuller
Constable Precinct Four
Johnson County
2 N. Main St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Constable Precinct Four

Dear Constable Fuller,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Constable Precinct Four for the time period ending September 30, 2025.

Background

Constables specialize in the enforcement of Civil Law. They play a vital role in enforcing judgments rendered in civil cases, such as evictions, divorces, child custody and property disputes. They seize and sell personal property of defendants and apply the proceeds of those sales towards judgements awarded to plaintiffs. They also sell property seized for non-payment of taxes.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the bank statements, and supporting documents for this period

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Innoprise matched the monthly Odyssey reports of fees received.

Findings

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Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 CA Hot Check Collections Audit Letter Draft

From Bill Moore <BillM@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Wed 29-Oct-25 1:06 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Amy Grizzard <amyg@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Approved.

Thanks,

Bill Moore
County Attorney
Guinn Justice Center
204 South Buffalo Avenue, Suite 410
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From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2025 12:50 PM
To: Bill Moore <BillM@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Amy Grizzard <amyg@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 CA Hot Check Collections Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Moore,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

SW

Steve Watson

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October 29th, 2025

The Honorable Bill Moore
County Attorney
Johnson County
204 S. Buffalo
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – County Attorney Hot Check Collections FY25 Q4

Dear Mr. Moore,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we reviewed the County Attorney Hot Check Collection account and the County Attorney/District Attorney Deposit and Trust for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The County Attorney is responsible for prosecuting adults charged with misdemeanor criminal offenses such as family violence assault, driving while intoxicated and theft; prosecuting juveniles charged with misdemeanor and felony criminal offenses; representing the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (also known as Child Protective Services) in child welfare cases protecting the rights of abused and neglected children; representing victims of family violence who seek a protective order as provided by the Texas Family Code; representing applicants who apply through Johnson County Mental Health and Mental Retardation (MHMR) for mental health treatment at a hospital; and advising the Commissioners Court and other elected officials and department heads on legal matters.

Scope

To complete the regular audit procedures for the County Attorney's Hot Check Collection account and the County Attorney/District Attorney Deposit and Trust for the months of July, August and September 2025.

Objective

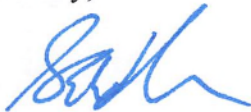
We examined bank reconciliations and supporting documentation, traced a sampling of receipts and disbursements, verified fees charged for processing sight order, and mailed confirmation letters at random to verify defendant payments.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 DA Hot Check Collections Audit Letter Draft

From Timothy Good <tgood@johnsoncountytexas.org>

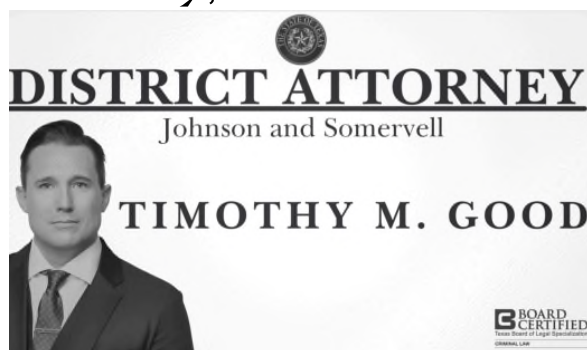
Date Fri 31-Oct-25 12:38 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Teresa Heath <theath@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Approved.

Sincerely,



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DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**
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From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2025 12:51 PM

To: Timothy Good <tgood@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Teresa Heath <theath@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 DA Hot Check Collections Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Good,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

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RE: Auditor's Report –District Attorney Hot Check Collections FY25 Q4

Dear Mr. Good,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we reviewed the District Attorney Hot Check Collection Account for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The district attorney represents the state in criminal and felony cases. These public prosecutors determine whether prosecution in any given case should be instituted and, if instituted, pushed to a successful conclusion.

Scope

To complete the regular audit procedures for the District Attorney's Hot Check Collection account for the months of July, August and September 2025.

Objective

We examined bank reconciliations and supporting documentation and traced a sampling of receipts and disbursements.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Cash Bonds Audit Letter Draft

From Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Mon 10-Nov-25 4:03 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>; April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Received and approved.

Thank you,



Sarah George
Chief Deputy
Johnson County Clerk's Office
817-556-6323 Ext. 1302
sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Monday, November 10, 2025 10:48 AM
To: April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Cash Bonds Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Long,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.
If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.
Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson
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Steven E. Watson
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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

November 10th, 2025

The Honorable April Long
County Clerk
Johnson County
204 S. Buffalo Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY 25 Q4 County Clerk's Criminal Cash Bond Account

Dear Ms. Long,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the County Clerk's Criminal Cash Bond Account from July through September, 2025.

Background

The County Clerk's Office of Johnson County is a multi-purpose office with two main categories of responsibility.

The County Clerk Court Section's role is to accept the initial filings of cases, record all instruments filed in such cases, make the case available to the court as required, and to inform the parties of important actions in the case by issuing appropriate processes at the request of the parties or their attorney(s).

County Clerk Recording's role is to maintain the Official Public Records of the county, including Deed Records, Plats, Assumed Names, Livestock Marks & Brands. This office also records and makes available to qualified applicants, Birth, Death, and Marriage Records. Passports are also processed in this office.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the County Clerk's Criminal Cash Bonds bank statements, disbursements, and Trust Owners account balances for the quarter ended September 2025.

Objective

1. To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Odyssey matched the monthly worksheet log of fees received.
2. The accuracy of the bank reconciliation was confirmed by comparing the Odyssey Trust Account Owner's Report to the book balance on the bank reconciliation.
3. To ensure the liability account funds were properly disbursed, per Local Government Code 117, we verified that a signed Court Order authorized the payments.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.


Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager

 Outlook

RE: FY25 Q4 CC Court's Audit Letter Draft

From Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>**Date** Thu 13-Nov-25 12:07 PM**To** Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>; April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Received and approved.



Sarah George
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Johnson County Clerk's Office
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From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>**Sent:** Thursday, November 13, 2025 11:12 AM**To:** April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>**Cc:** Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>**Subject:** FY25 Q4 CC Court's Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Long,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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November 13th, 2025

The Honorable April Long
County Clerk
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204 S. Buffalo Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 County Clerk Court's Filing Fees Account

Dear Ms. Long,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the County Clerk Court's Filing Fees for the period ending September 2025.

Background

The County Clerk's Office of Johnson County is a multi-purpose office with two main categories of responsibility.

The County Clerk Court Section's role is to accept the initial filings of cases, record all instruments filed in such cases, make the case available to the court as required, and to inform the parties of important actions in the case by issuing appropriate processes at the request of the parties or their attorney(s).

County Clerk Recording's role is to maintain the Official Public Records of the county, including Deed Records, Plats, Assumed Names, Livestock Marks & Brands. This office also records and makes available to qualified applicants, Birth, Death, and Marriage Records. Passports are also processed in this office.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the County Clerk Filing Fee Account's, Odyssey reports, disbursements, and bank reports for the quarter ended June 2025.

Objective

1. To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Odyssey matched the monthly worksheet log of fees received.
2. To ensure the accuracy of the disbursements to various entities for fees collected, through matching Odyssey receipt journals to Innoprise invoices.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 CC Recording Audit Letter Draft

From April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Thu 20-Nov-25 11:25 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Received and reviewed. Thank you for your time.

Thank you,



April Long

Johnson County Clerk
817-556-6323

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 10:36 AM
To: April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 CC Recording Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Long,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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November 20th, 2025

The Honorable April Long
County Clerk
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204 S. Buffalo Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY 25 Q4 County Clerk Recording Account

Dear Ms. Long,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the County Clerk Recording Account for the period ending September 2025.

Background

The County Clerk's Office of Johnson County is a multi-purpose office with two main categories of responsibility.

The County Clerk Court Section's role is to accept the initial filings of cases, record all instruments filed in such cases, make the case available to the court as required, and to inform the parties of important actions in the case by issuing appropriate processes at the request of the parties or their attorney(s).

County Clerk Recording's role is to maintain the Official Public Records of the county, including Deed Records, Plats, Assumed Names, Livestock Marks & Brands. This office also records and makes available to qualified applicants, Birth, Death, and Marriage Records. Passports are also processed in this office.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the County Clerk's Official Public Records Account's Kofile reports, disbursements, and bank reports for the quarter ended September 2025.

Objective

1. To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the Kofile reports matched the monthly workshop log of fees received.
2. Verified the accuracy of disbursements, to the Vital Statistics Section of the Texas Department of State Health Services, through matching fees collected to the invoices.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 CC Registry Audit Letter Draft

From April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Mon 24-Nov-25 11:09 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Received and Reviewed. Thank you for your time.

Thank you,



April Long

Johnson County Clerk
817-556-6323

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2025 10:35 AM
To: April Long <along@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Sarah George <sgeorge@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 CC Registry Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Long,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

November 24th, 2025

The Honorable April Long
County Clerk
Johnson County
204 S. Buffalo Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY 25 Q4 County Clerk's Registry Account

Dear Ms. Long,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the County Clerk's Registry of the Court from July through September 2025.

Background

The County Clerk's Office of Johnson County is a multi-purpose office with two main categories of responsibility.

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Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the County Clerk's Registry bank statements, disbursements, and Trust Owners account balances for the quarter ended September 2025.

Objective

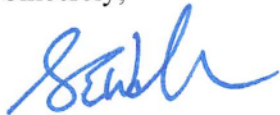
1. To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Odyssey matched the monthly worksheet log of fees received.
2. The accuracy of the bank reconciliation was confirmed by comparing the Odyssey Trust Account Owner's Report to the book balance on the bank reconciliation.
3. To ensure the liability account funds were properly disbursed, per Local Government Code 117, we verified that a signed Court Order authorized the payments.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

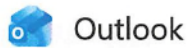
Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Jennifer VanderLaan <JenniferV@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Mon 22-Dec-25 4:52 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Julie Edmiston <jedmiston@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Thank you, this is good.

Jennifer VanderLaan

Director, C.F.M.

Johnson County Development Services

817-556-6380

*Effective October 1, 2025 Public Works will transition to a new name, Development Services. Please make sure to access the most recent documents for this department at <https://www.johnsoncountytexas.org/departments-3>.

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Monday, December 22, 2025 11:22 AM

To: Jennifer VanderLaan <JenniferV@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Julie Edmiston <jedmiston@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Vanderlaan,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Johnson County Auditor

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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 22nd, 2025

Jennifer Vanderlaan
Director Development Services
2 N. Mills St. Suite 305
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Development Services

Dear Ms. Vanderlaan,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Development Services fees for July through September 2025.

Background

The Johnson County Development Services issues permits for new development projects, before construction begins, in the unincorporated areas of the county. This is part of the county's Floodplain Management responsibilities for FEMA. As a representative for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, permits are issued for on-site sewage facilities, and inspections performed for non-compliant complaints. Subdivision plats, engineering plans, and applications are reviewed against the Subdivision Rules and Regulations of Johnson County, as approved by the Commissioner's Court on October 23, 2023. Permitting also processes applications for junkyards and slaughterhouses.

Scope

This engagement examined the Community Development books and records, of the Permitting department of Development Services, on a sample basis for the period ending September 2025.

We reviewed data to determine if proper internal controls were in place to ensure that there are no significant deficiencies.

Objective

The objectives of this audit were:

1. Ensured compliance with statutory, regulatory, and Commissioners Court requirements
2. Evaluated internal controls
3. Verified the accuracy and completeness of reporting
4. Reviewed controls over the safeguarding of assets

Criteria

This is what our fieldwork was measured against.

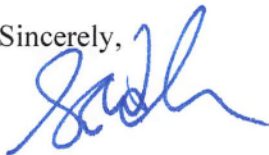
1. Court approved fee schedule
2. LGC 112 deposit timing
3. Narrative supplied by Development Services

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for these periods were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



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DEAN A. SULLIVAN
District Clerk

November 24, 2025


Mr. Steve Watson
County Auditor
Johnson County
2 N. Main St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report - FY25 Q4 Filing Fees Account - District Clerk's Office

Dear Mr. Watson,

Following a review of the subject audit report, I concur with the findings therein. Please extend my appreciation to your staff for their continued dedication and attention to the details necessary to improve our service in this office.

Best Regards,


Dean A. Sullivan
District Clerk



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First Assistant County Auditor

November 20th, 2025

The Honorable Dean Sullivan
District Clerk
Johnson County
204 South Buffalo
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY 25 Q4 District Clerk's Filing Fees Account

Dear Mr. Sullivan,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the District Clerk's Filing Fees from July through September 2025.

Background

The District Clerk's Office is the official custodian of records, and is responsible for the care and safekeeping of all court records for the District Courts of Johnson County. It also maintains and manages the records and monies for court fees, custodial accounts which are invested for the benefit of many minor children, bail bond forfeitures and all tax lawsuits. The office also produces a substantial number of court documents including, but not limited to, civil citations, criminal warrants, criminal judgments and sentences and protective orders.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the District Clerk's Filing Fees Account's Odyssey reports, disbursements, and bank reports for the quarter ended September 2025.

Objective

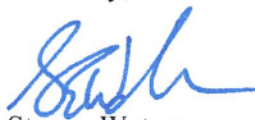
1. To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Odyssey matched the monthly worksheet log of fees received.
2. We also ensured the accuracy of the disbursements, to various entities for fees collected, by matching Odyssey receipt journals to Innoprise invoices.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager
cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor



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DEAN A. SULLIVAN
District Clerk

December 30, 2025

Mr. Steve Watson
County Auditor
Johnson County
2 N. Main St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report - FY25 Q4 District Clerk, Jury Fund

Dear Mr. Watson,

Following a review of the subject audit report, I concur with the findings therein. Please extend my sincere appreciation to your staff for their continued dedication and attention to detail as necessary oversight to improve our service, accountability, and transparency in this office.

Best Regards,

Dean A. Sullivan
District Clerk



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Steven E. Watson
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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 16th, 2025

The Honorable Dean Sullivan
District Clerk
Johnson County
204 South Buffalo
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 District Clerk, Jury Fund

Dear Mr. Sullivan,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a desk review of the District Clerk's Jury Services for the period ending September 2025.

Background

The District Clerk's Office is the official custodian of records, and is responsible for the care and safekeeping of all court records for the District Courts of Johnson County. It also maintains and manages the records and monies for court fees, custodial accounts which are invested for the benefit of many minor children, bail bond forfeitures and all tax lawsuits. The office also produces a substantial number of court documents including, but not limited to, civil citations, criminal warrants, criminal judgments and sentences and protective orders.

In accordance with Texas Government Code 61.001(a)(1), as of September 1st, 2023, a person who reports for jury service is entitled to receive reimbursement for travel and expenses for amounts not less than \$20 for the first day of service and \$58 for any additional days. The State of Texas reimburses Johnson County, per Government Code, Sec. 61.0015(a), \$14 a day for the amounts paid to a person who reports for jury service in response to a summons for the first day or fraction of the first day, and \$52 a day for the amounts paid to a person who reports for jury

service in response to a summons for each day or fraction of each day *after* the first day of attendance.

Jury Services has a dedicated manager and is staffed by an Administrative clerk, and two Associate clerks.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of District Clerk Jury Service processes, juror disbursements, and juror donations, for the current period.

Objective

We examined a sampling of juror forms, which were completed and signed by each juror, against the 'Payment Edit Report'. The forms direct the disbursement at the end of the juror's service period. If the juror chose to donate their funds, they did so by selecting a recipient or recipients from a preapproved list. Disbursements to jurors and to donation recipients were verified against juror forms. We also verified the bank fund transfers reconciled to the total paid per juror forms by batch.

We determined that controls were adequate, to reasonably ensure payments made to jurors were authorized, accurate, and properly paid during this three (3) month period.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



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DEAN A. SULLIVAN
District Clerk

December 15, 2025

Mr. Steve Watson
County Auditor
Johnson County
2 N. Main St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report - FY 25 Q4 District Clerk's Registry Account

Dear Mr. Watson,

Following a review of the subject audit report, I concur with the findings therein. Please extend my sincere appreciation to your staff for their continued dedication and attention to detail as necessary oversight to improve our service, accountability, and transparency in this office.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dean A. Sullivan".

Dean A. Sullivan
District Clerk



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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

November 24th, 2025

The Honorable Dean Sullivan
District Clerk
Johnson County
204 South Buffalo
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY 25 Q4 District Clerk's Registry Account

Dear Mr. Sullivan,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a desk review of the District Clerk's Registry of the Court from July through September 2025.

Background

The District Clerk's Office is the official custodian of records, and is responsible for the care and safekeeping of all court records for the District Courts of Johnson County. It also maintains and manages the records and monies for court fees, custodial accounts which are invested for the benefit of many minor children, bail bond forfeitures and all tax lawsuits. The office also produces a substantial number of court documents including, but not limited to, civil citations, criminal warrants, criminal judgments and sentences and protective orders.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the District Clerk's Registry bank statements, disbursements, and Trust Owners account balances for the quarter ended September 2025.

Objective

1. To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation and verified that collections made by cash, check and credit cards were accurate for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from Odyssey matched the monthly worksheet log of fees received.
2. The accuracy of the bank reconciliation was confirmed by comparing the Odyssey Trust Account Owner's Report to the book balance on the bank reconciliation.
3. To ensure the liability account funds were properly disbursed, per Local Government Code 117, we verified that a signed Court Order authorized the payments.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Joy Adams <JoyceA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Wed 03-Dec-25 12:14 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Theresa Gonzalez <tgonzalez@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Jennifer Jackson <jjackson@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good morning,

I approve. Please include Theresa in all future emails.

Thank you, your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Kindest Regards,

Joy Adams

Johnson County Elections Administrator



From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 3:28 PM

To: Joy Adams <JoyceA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Jennifer Jackson <jjackson@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Adams,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson

Johnson County Auditor

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December 2nd, 2025

Joy Adams
Elections Office
Johnson County
103 S. Walnut St.
Cleburne TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Elections

Dear Ms. Joy Adams,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Elections Department for the time period of July-September 2025.

Background

The Johnson County Elections Office conducts all of the voting, voting procedures, copies of voter rolls, and maps of voting areas in Johnson County. They also handle the reimbursement monies for the State Primaries and funds allocated to defray county registration expenses. This office is governed by the States Election Code Chapter 19.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of all collateral documents, meet statutory minimums, and are properly recorded for this period

Objective

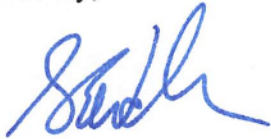
To accomplish this audit, we observed collection, receipting and office procedures for accuracy, verified receipts and their supporting documents, and performed random cash counts.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Brandy Wood <bwood@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Wed 12-Nov-25 5:32 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ronald R. McBroom <rmcbroom@johnsoncountytexas.org>

1 attachment (37 KB)

JP1 Audit Letter Draft Q4.docx;

Judge McBroom approves.

Best Regards,

Brandy Wood

Chief Justice Court Clerk / Administrator, JP1

Johnson County

226 Featherston Street

Cleburne, TX 76033

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Fax: (817) 556-6198

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 1:02 PM

To: Ronald R. McBroom <rmcbroom@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Brandy Wood <bwood@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Judge McBroom,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson

11/13/25, 6:52 AM

Mail - Kathy Rice - Outlook

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First Assistant County Auditor

November 12th, 2025

The Honorable Ronald McBroom
Justice of the Peace, Precinct One
Johnson County
226 Featherston St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

Dear Judge McBroom,

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 JP Precinct One

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct One office for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The Justice of the Peace has original jurisdiction in criminal matters of misdemeanor cases punishable by fine only, and such other jurisdiction as may be provided by law. A JP may issue warrants for search and arrest, conduct preliminary hearings, administer oaths, and perform marriages. The court also functions as a small claims court in civil matters in which exclusive jurisdiction is not, in district or county court, and the amount in controversy does not exceed \$20,000. They also deal with matters concerning foreclosure of mortgages and enforcement of liens on personal property.

Scope

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation for accuracy; verified that daily cash, check and credit card deposits match to their corresponding

daily collections report; ensured that all funds collected and due to others had been accurately disbursed; and mailed confirmation letters to randomly selected defendants requesting independent verification of payments recorded by the JP-One office for this time period.

Objective

We reviewed all collateral documents to ensure they were current, met statutory minimums, and were properly recorded.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Jeff Monk <JMonk@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Thu 13-Nov-25 8:40 AM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Nikki Ashley <nashley@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Thank you and looks good and I approve.

Judge Monk

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2025 8:21 AM

To: Jeff Monk <JMonk@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Nikki Ashley <nashley@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Judge Monk,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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First Assistant County Auditor

November 12th, 2025

The Honorable Jeff Monk
Justice of the Peace, Precinct Two
Johnson County
247 Elk Drive
Burleson, Texas 76028

Dear Judge Monk,

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 JP Precinct Two

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct Two office for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The Justice of the Peace has original jurisdiction in criminal matters of misdemeanor cases punishable by fine only, and such other jurisdiction as may be provided by law. A JP may issue warrants for search and arrest, conduct preliminary hearings, administer oaths, and perform marriages. The court also functions as a small claims court in civil matters in which exclusive jurisdiction is not, in district or county court, and the amount in controversy does not exceed \$20,000. They also deal with matters concerning foreclosure of mortgages and enforcement of liens on personal property.

Scope

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation for accuracy; verified that daily cash, check and credit card deposits match to their corresponding daily collections report; ensured that all funds collected and due to others had been accurately disbursed; and mailed confirmation letters to randomly selected defendants requesting independent verification of payments recorded by the JP-Two office for this time period.

Objective

We reviewed all collateral documents to ensure they were current, met statutory minimums, and were properly recorded.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Andrew Nolan <anolan@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Thu 13-Nov-25 11:21 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Christina McClelland <cmclelland@johnsoncountytexas.org>

I agree.

Thx,
ALN

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2025 10:06 AM
To: Andrew Nolan <anolan@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Christina McClelland <cmclelland@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Judge Nolan,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Jennifer R. Lyon
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November 13th, 2025

The Honorable Andy Nolan
Justice of the Peace, Precinct Three
Johnson County
206 N. Baugh St.
Alvarado, Texas 76009

Dear Judge Nolan,

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 JP Precinct Three

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct Three office for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The Justice of the Peace has original jurisdiction in criminal matters of misdemeanor cases punishable by fine only, and such other jurisdiction as may be provided by law. A JP may issue warrants for search and arrest, conduct preliminary hearings, administer oaths, and perform marriages. The court also functions as a small claims court in civil matters in which exclusive jurisdiction is not, in district or county court, and the amount in controversy does not exceed \$20,000. They also deal with matters concerning foreclosure of mortgages and enforcement of liens on personal property.

Scope

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation for accuracy; verified that daily cash, check and credit card deposits match to their corresponding daily collections report; ensured that all funds collected and due to others had been accurately disbursed; and mailed confirmation letters to randomly selected defendants requesting independent verification of payments recorded by the JP-Three office for this time period.

Objective

We reviewed all collateral documents to ensure they were current, met statutory minimums, and were properly recorded.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

From Robert Shaw <rsshaw@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Fri 14-Nov-25 6:56 AM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Kathy M. Osier <kosier@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Yes, I approve.

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2025 1:27 PM

To: Robert Shaw <rsshaw@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Kathy M. Osier <kosier@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Audit Letter Draft

Judge Shaw,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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November 13th, 2025

The Honorable Robert Shaw
Justice of the Peace, Precinct Four
Johnson County
2 North Main Street
Cleburne, Texas 76033

Dear Judge Shaw,

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 JP Precinct #Four

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4 office for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The Justice of the Peace has original jurisdiction in criminal matters of misdemeanor cases punishable by fine only, and such other jurisdiction as may be provided by law. A JP may issue warrants for search and arrest, conduct preliminary hearings, administer oaths, and perform marriages. The court also functions as a small claims court in civil matters in which exclusive jurisdiction is not, in district or county court, and the amount in controversy does not exceed \$20,000. They also deal with matters concerning foreclosure of mortgages and enforcement of liens on personal property.

Scope

To accomplish this audit, we examined various reports and their supporting documentation for accuracy; verified that daily cash, check and credit card deposits match to their corresponding

daily collections report; ensured that all funds collected and due to others had been accurately disbursed; and mailed confirmation letters to randomly selected defendants requesting independent verification of payments recorded by the JP-4 office for this time period.

Objective

We reviewed all collateral documents to ensure they were current, met statutory minimums, and were properly recorded.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Juvenile Audit Letter Draft

From Steve G. Gant <SteveG@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Mon 29-Dec-25 9:25 AM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Ellen Peveto <epeveto@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

I agree.

Thank you,

Steve Gant
Director/Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
Johnson County Juvenile Services
1102 East Kilpatrick, Suite C
Cleburne, Texas 76031
Phone: 817-556-6880
steveg@johnsoncountytexas.org



From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Monday, December 29, 2025 7:23 AM

To: Steve G. Gant <SteveG@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Ellen Peveto <epeveto@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Juvenile Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Gant,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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December 26th, 2025

Steve Gant
Director Juvenile Services
Johnson County
1102 E. Kilpatrick Avenue
Cleburne, Texas 76031

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Juvenile Probation

Dear Mr. Gant,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, the Auditor's Office completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Juvenile Services Department for the time period ending September 2025.

Background

The Johnson County Juvenile Services supports victims' rights, promotes public safety, and works to increase the accountability of youth and their families while providing quality services and resources. Juvenile Services collects and disburses fees for Attorneys, Probation, Restitution, and Child Support.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of various reports and their supporting documentation to verify the collections made by cash, check, and credit cards were accurate for this period.

Objective

We ensured that funds collected on the receipt journal from JCMS, Texas Juvenile Information Center matched the monthly worksheet log of fees received, we examined bank reconciliations and their supporting documentation, reviewed a sample testing of receipts, voids and waivers and traced them to original receipts and court documents, and verified that funds collected and due to others had been accurately disbursed.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



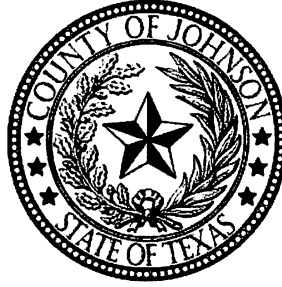
Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager

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JOHNSON COUNTY
RANDY GILLESPIE
PERSONNEL DIRECTOR

December 30, 2025

Mr. Steve Watson
County Auditor
Johnson County
2 N. Main St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Payroll - General

Dear Mr. Watson,

After reviewing the findings of the above indicated audit report, I am sending this letter to show my agreement with the audit findings. I appreciate you and your staff for providing this important County function.

Sincerely,

Randy Gillespie
Personnel Director

cc: Laura Baxter, Personnel Assistant

2 NORTH MAIN STREET ROOM 215
CLEBURNE, TEXAS 76033
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December 29th, 2025

Mr. Randy Gillespie
Personnel Director
Johnson County
2 N. Main St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Payroll – General

Dear Mr. Gillespie,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Sections 112 and 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of transactions in the Kronos Payroll software (Kronos) for the Payroll Audit, for the period ending September, 2025.

Background

The Personnel office organizes, maintains and secures each employee's records and documentation for the county. Services include staffing and employment, training and development, compensation administration, employee services and benefits, along with processing the County's payroll on a bi-weekly basis, utilizing the Kronos.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the Kronos payroll register reports, for the same time period, matching pay period payroll recap & funding reports from the bi-weekly payroll.

Objective

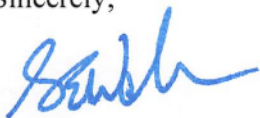
The objective of this audit was to compare reports from Kronos to the processed bi-weekly payroll reports for accuracy. We ran payroll register, vendor, and job change reports from Kronos. These reports and supporting documents were examined and verified for Medicare rates, FICA rates, retirement rates for both employee and county contributions, and payroll vendors paid. We also examined the personnel action forms (PAF's) for all new hires, position transfers and rate changes.

Findings

There were no other exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the salaries and vendors paid were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



Re: FY25 Q4 Postage Audit Letter Draft

From Codey Sibley <csibley@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Fri 12-Dec-25 4:09 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Brandy Ford <bford@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Approved thank you very much.

Thanks,

Codey Sibley, CFM

Director, Facilities Management
Johnson County
411 Marti Dr
Cleburne, Texas 76033
Office: 817-202-4000 Ext. 3463

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2025 2:55:01 PM
To: Codey Sibley <csibley@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Brandy Ford <bford@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Postage Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Sibley,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson

12/15/25, 7:16 AM

Mail - Kathy Rice - Outlook

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December 12th, 2025

Cody Sibley
Director Facilities Management
Johnson County
411 Marti Drive
Cleburne, Texas 76033

Dear Mr. Sibley,

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Postage Audit

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Johnson County Postage for the time period ending September 2025.

Background

The Johnson County Postage (Mailroom) processes roughly 280K pieces of mail yearly. The mailroom receives all incoming letters, packages, and inter-office mail. It is then sorted and delivered to the twelve County facilities, and four outlying Precinct buildings. Outgoing letters are stamped and sealed by a high-volume postage machine. Packages are shipped using PitneyShip Pro, an online shipping software that saves the County more than 20% per package on postage.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the postage transactions and their supporting documentation for this period.

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined the collateral documents and ensured they were current, met statutory minimums, and were properly recorded. We verified funds recorded in Innoprise matched the monthly postage reports.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the examined postage transactions, for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

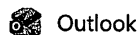
Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steve Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 SO Escrow Audit Letter Draft

From Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Mon 20-Oct-25 7:33 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Audra Guereca <aguereca@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Mr. Watson,

I agree with the findings. Thank You!

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2025 7:16 AM
To: Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Audra Guereca <aguereca@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 SO Escrow Audit Letter Draft

Captain Arriola,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson

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Steven E. Watson
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Jennifer R. Lyon
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October 9th, 2025

Captain Ben Arriola
Acting Sheriff
Johnson County
1102 E. Kilpatrick Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76031

RE: Auditor's Report – Sheriff's Office Escrow Account FY25 Q4

Dear Captain Arriola,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Sheriff's Office Escrow Account for the period ending September 2025.

Background

The Sheriff's Office is responsible for traffic control, investigating crimes, apprehending fugitives, running the county jail, emergency response calls (911), resolving disputes, executing warrants, security of the court's buildings, and the safety and security of the Judges. The Sheriff's Office assists other law enforcement agencies within the county.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the Sheriff's Office Escrow ledger accounts, disbursements for the quarter ended September 2025. To accomplish the audit, we examined bank reconciliations and supporting documents; reviewed Odyssey receipts and related procedures; and verified that funds collected had been accurately and timely disbursed.

Objective

Compared bank reconciliations and supporting documents, and Odyssey receipts and related procedures were reviewed. All outstanding deposits and any un-cleared checks on the reconciliation reports were compared to the deposit reports, and to the First Financial bank statements for each month from July, August and September 2025.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances, collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Inmate Commissary Audit Letter Draft

From Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Wed 10-Dec-25 3:15 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Kristen Lesley <klesley@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon-

This is approved.

Thank you,

Tara Raby

Johnson County Sheriff's Office Manager

1102 E Kilpatrick Ste A

Cleburne TX 76031

817-556-6058 ext. 3503

traby@johnsoncountytexas.org



From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 1:28 PM

To: Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Kristen Lesley <klesley@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Inmate Commissary Audit Letter Draft

Captain Arriola,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson
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December 10th, 2025

Captain Ben Arriola
Acting Sheriff
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Cleburne, Texas 76031

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Sheriff's Office Commissary

Dear Captain Ben Arriola,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 351.0415, "Commissary Operation by Sheriff or Private Vendor", the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Inmate Commissary Account for the Fourth Quarter Fiscal Year 2025.

Background

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office operates a commissary in accordance with rules adopted by the Commission on Jail Standards. The Sheriff maintains commissary accounts, showing the amount of proceeds from the commissary operation and the amount and purpose of disbursements from the proceeds. Allowable expenditures are specified in Local Government Code 351.0415.

Scope

To complete the regular audit procedures for the Inmate Commissary account for the months of July, August and September 2025.

Objective

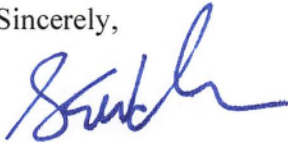
We verified the accuracy of the bank reconciliation report to the bank statement for the Commissary account. We examined various reports and their supporting documentation, ensured that funds collected from the Inmate Trust account matched the sales, including sales tax, and reviewed Commissary expenditures to ensure compliance with LGC 351.0415.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances, collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

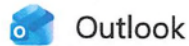
Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Inmate Trust Audit Letter Draft

From Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Wed 10-Dec-25 3:15 PM

To Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Kristen Lesley <klesley@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon-

This is approved.

Thank you,

Tara Raby

Johnson County Sheriff's Office Manager

1102 E Kilpatrick Ste A

Cleburne TX 76031

817-556-6058 ext. 3503

traby@johnsoncountytexas.org



From: Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 1:31 PM

To: Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Kristen Lesley <klesley@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 Inmate Trust Audit Letter Draft

Captain Arriola,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

SW

Steve Watson

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December 10th, 2025

Captain Ben Arriola
Acting Sheriff
Johnson County
1102 E. Kilpatrick Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76031

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Sheriff's Office Inmate Trust Acct.

Dear Captain Ben Arriola,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 351, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Inmate Trust Account for the Fourth Quarter FY25, including months July, August and September 2025.

Background

The Sheriff's department takes possession of all money an inmate has on their person, upon custody, and credits the money to a trust account created for the inmate. The department may spend money from an inmate account on the written order of the inmate, or as required by law or policy.

Scope

To complete the regular audit procedures for the Inmate Trust account for the months of July, August and September 2025.

Objective

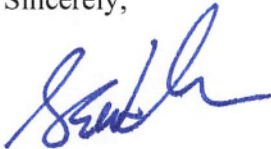
We verified the accuracy of the bank reconciliation, to the bank statement for the Inmate Trust checking account. We examined various reports and their supporting documentation. Reports included are from GTL and Lockdown software for inmate deposits, payment processing services, Kiosks, intake deposits and withdrawals for Debit Release cards, and Commissary usage. From the supporting documentation we ensured that funds collected and held in the Inmate Trust account balanced and that all Trust expenditures complied with Texas Government Code § 501.014 and Sec. 501.063.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances, collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 IHC Audit Letter Draft

From Christopher Boedeker <christopherb@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Fri 07-Nov-25 1:35 PM

To Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Paula Reid <paular@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

No objection or comment from my office. Thank you for sending this.

Sincerely,

Christopher Boedeker
Johnson County Judge

2 N. Main Street, Room 120
Cleburne, Texas 76033
817.556.6360

www.johnsoncountytexas.org/government/county-judge

From: Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Friday, November 7, 2025 1:30 PM

To: Christopher Boedeker <christopherb@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Paula Reid <paular@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 IHC Audit Letter Draft

Judge Boedeker, and Captain Arriola,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson
Johnson County Auditor

P: 817-556-6305



RE: FY25 Q4 IHC Audit Letter Draft

From Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Fri 07-Nov-25 2:00 PM

To Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Christopher Boedeker <christopherb@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Paula Reid <paular@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon-

There is no objection from the SO.

Thank you,

Tara Raby

Johnson County Sheriff's Office Manager

1102 E Kilpatrick Ste A

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817-556-6058 ext. 3503

traby@johnsoncountytexas.org



From: Kathy Rice <krice@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Friday, November 7, 2025 1:30 PM

To: Christopher Boedeker <christopherb@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Paula Reid <paular@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 IHC Audit Letter Draft

Judge Boedeker, and Captain Arriola,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

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Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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First Assistant County Auditor

November 6th, 2025

The Honorable Christopher Boedeker
Captain Ben Arriola, Acting Sheriff
Johnson County
2 N. Main
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Indigent Health Care & Jail Medical

Dear Judge Boedeker and Captain Arriola,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, we reviewed the Indigent Health Care and Jail Medical accounts for the quarter ending September 2025.

Background

The County Indigent Health Care Program helps Johnson County jail inmates with their health care, prescriptions and hospital needs while being incarcerated. Indigent Health Care also benefits those in Johnson County who have limited income and require assistance with medical needs.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of Indigent Health and Jail Medical ledger accounts, disbursements, prescription return processes, and billings, for the quarter ended September 2025.

Objective

Reports and supporting documentation extracted from Indigent Healthcare Solutions, the

software utilized by the county to process and track indigent payments, were examined. A sampling of invoices paid was compared against indigent rates ensuring reasonableness of said rates. A sampling of invoices was also compared against inmate records to confirm incarceration dates aligned with prescription and service dates.

Johnson County houses inmates on behalf of other entities, both local and federal. Therefore, we researched inmate records to ensure payments for medical services were solely for county inmates.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steve Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 LEOSE Audit Letter Draft

From Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Date Mon 01-Dec-25 4:21 PM

To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon-

This is approved.

Thank you,

Tara Raby

Johnson County Sheriff's Office Manager

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From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Sent: Monday, December 1, 2025 2:13 PM

To: Ben Arriola <BenA@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Cc: Tara Raby <traby@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Susan Rossee <srossee@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Subject: FY25 Q4 LEOSE Audit Letter Draft

Captain Arriola,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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First Assistant County Auditor

December 1st, 2025

Captain Ben Arriola
Acting Sheriff
Johnson County
1102 E. Kilpatrick Ave
Cleburne, Texas 76031

RE: Auditor's Report – Sheriff's Office LEOSE Account FY25 Q4

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Sheriff's Office LEOSE Account. To accomplish the audit, bank reconciliations and supporting documents, and receipts and related procedures were reviewed. We verified that funds collected had been accurately and timely disbursed.

Background

The purpose of the Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (LEOSE) Fund is to pay for continuing education of licensed peace officers, or training for full-time fully paid law enforcement support personnel. The account is funded by the state. The Sheriff must maintain a complete record of money received and spent. The county auditor has oversight of the funds and the account must be maintained in an official county depository.

Scope

This engagement examined the July, August and September 2025 LEOSE accounts, bank reconciliations and supporting documents. We reviewed related procedures, to verify that funds received had been accurately and timely disbursed.

Objective

Compared any outstanding deposits and all un-cleared checks on the reconciliation reports, to the First Financial bank statements for July, August and September 2025.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances, collections and disbursements for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Susan Rossee, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 AdValorem Audit Letter Draft

From Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Mon 22-Dec-25 2:51 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon,

Scott & I have review.
This all looks good.

Thank you.

*Nelda K. Morris
Chief Deputy
Johnson County Tax Office
817-558-0122*

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2025 2:32 PM
To: Scott Porter <ScottP@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ricardo Ocegueda <rocegueda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 AdValorem Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Porter,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 22nd, 2025

The Honorable Scott Porter
Tax Assessor-Collector
Johnson County
2 N. Mill Street
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report - FY25 Q4 Tax Office Ad Valorem

Dear Mr. Porter,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Ad Valorem account files, for the quarter ending September 2025.

Background

The Tax Assessor-Collector assesses and collects ad valorem taxes for Johnson County and other taxing entities. Once the tax rates are set, the property tax statements are sent out yearly, in October. Additionally, the Tax Office is tasked with collecting various taxes and fees related to motor vehicles, trailers, boats, beer and wine as well as liquor.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the 'SpindleMedia Tax Office 4' software Transaction reports, SpindleMedia General Ledger (SMIGL) reports, and bank statements for this period.

Objective

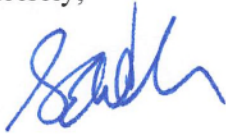
To accomplish this audit, we examined the Spindle Transaction reconciliation reports, and daily deposit slips, to the bank statement for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the deposit reports matched the monthly SMIGL report.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted, and reported.

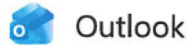
We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation of the Tax Office during our review.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Ricardo Ocegueda, Senior Internal Auditor
Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Auto Audit Letter Draft

From Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Wed 31-Dec-25 3:03 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon,

Scott & I have reviewed.
This all looks good.

Thank you.

*Nelda K. Morris
Chief Deputy
Johnson County Tax Office
817-558-0122*

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 8:13 AM
To: Scott Porter <ScottP@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ricardo Ocegueda <rocegueda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Auto Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Porter,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steve Watson

Johnson County Auditor

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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 31st, 2025

The Honorable Scott Porter
Tax Assessor-Collector
Johnson County
2 North Mill St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Tax Office Auto Registrations

Dear Mr. Porter,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Sections 112 and 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Quickbooks (QB) reconciliations of the Auto Registrations bank account for the quarter ending September 2025.

Background

The Tax Assessor-Collector assesses and collects ad valorem taxes for Johnson County and other taxing entities. Once the tax rates are set, the property tax statements are sent out yearly in October. Additionally, the Tax Office is tasked with collecting various taxes and fees related to motor vehicles, trailers, boats, beer and wine as well as liquor.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the Tax Offices QB's reports, Texas Department of Motor Vehicle (TDMV) reports, and bank reports for this period.

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined the QB reconciliation reports, daily deposit slips, and TDMV reports to the bank statement for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the QB deposit report matched the monthly TDMV report.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted, and reported.

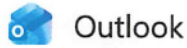
Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Ricardo Ocegueda, Senior Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Boat Audit Letter Draft

From Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Mon 22-Dec-25 3:09 PM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good afternoon,

Scott & I have review.
This all looks good.

Thank you.

*Nelda K. Morris
Chief Deputy
Johnson County Tax Office
817-558-0122*

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2025 2:51 PM
To: Scott Porter <ScottP@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ricardo Ocegueda <rocegueda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Boat Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Porter,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 23rd, 2025

The Honorable Scott Porter
Tax Assessor-Collector
Johnson County
2 North Mill St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Tax Office Boat Registration

Dear Mr. Porter,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Sections 112 and 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Quickbooks (QB) reconciliations for the Boat Registrations bank account for the quarter ending September 2025.

Background

The Tax Assessor-Collector assesses and collects ad valorem taxes for Johnson County and other taxing entities. Once the tax rates are set, the property tax statements are sent out yearly in October. Additionally, the Tax Office is tasked with collecting various taxes and fees related to motor vehicles, trailers, boats, beer and wine as well as liquor.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the Tax Offices QB's reports, Texas Parks & Wildlife (TP&W) reports, and bank reports for this period.

Objective:

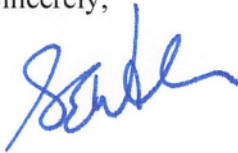
To accomplish this audit, we examined the QB reconciliation reports, and TP&W reports to the bank statement for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the QB deposit report matched the monthly TP&W report. Boat registration fees are made by cash only.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted, and reported.

We appreciate the cooperation of the Tax Office during our review. If you have any questions concerning this report, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Sales Tax Audit Letter Draft

From Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Thu 18-Dec-25 9:23 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

Good morning,

Scott & I have reviewed.
This all looks good.

Thank you.

*Nelda K. Morris
Chief Deputy
Johnson County Tax Office
817-558-0122*

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2025 8:44 AM
To: Scott Porter <ScottP@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Nelda K. Morris <Nelda@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Ricardo Ocegueda <rocegueda@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Sales Tax Audit Letter Draft

Mr. Porter,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Steven E. Watson
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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 17th, 2025

The Honorable Scott Porter
Tax Assessor-Collector
Johnson County
2 North Mill St.
Cleburne, Texas 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Tax Office Sales Tax on Registrations

Dear Mr. Porter,

Summary

In accordance with Local Government Code, Sections 112 and 115, the Auditor's Office performed a review of the Quickbooks (QB) reconciliations of the Sales Taxes bank account for the quarter ending September 2025.

Background

The Tax Assessor-Collector assesses and collects ad valorem taxes for Johnson County and other taxing entities. Once the tax rates are set, the property tax statements are sent out yearly in October. Additionally, the Tax Office is tasked with collecting various taxes and fees related to motor vehicles, trailers, boats, beer and wine as well as liquor.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of the Tax Offices QB's reports, Texas Department of Motor Vehicle (TDMV) reports, and bank reports for this period.

Objective

To accomplish this audit, we examined the QB reconciliation reports, daily deposit slips, and TDMV reports to the bank statement for this period. We ensured that funds collected on the QB deposit report matched the monthly TDMV report.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted, and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during the audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager



RE: FY25 Q4 Treasurer Audit Letter Draft

From Kathy Blackwell <KathyB@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Date Mon 15-Dec-25 8:55 AM
To Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>

agree

From: Audit-Letters <audit-letters@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 8:18 AM
To: Kathy Blackwell <KathyB@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Cc: Melinda Horn <mhorn@johnsoncountytexas.org>; Carter Staats <cstaats@johnsoncountytexas.org>
Subject: FY25 Q4 Treasurer Audit Letter Draft

Ms. Blackwell,

Please review the attached draft letter for this audit.

If you agree with this letter, Reply with your Approval.

Once approved, this will be submitted to Commissioners Court.

Thank you,

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Jennifer R. Lyon
First Assistant County Auditor

December 2nd, 2025

The Honorable Kathy Blackwell
County Treasurer
Johnson County
2 North Main,
Cleburne TX 76033

RE: Auditor's Report – FY25 Q4 Treasurer's Office

Dear Ms. Blackwell,

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the Local Government Code, the Auditor's Office completed the regular quarterly audit procedures for the Treasurer's Office for the time period ending September 30, 2025.

Background

The County Treasurer is elected for a term of four years, and is the County's chief custodian of all county funds. The Treasurer is the chief liaison for all banks. The duties include receiving, keeping and accounting for, paying, applying, and disbursing all monies belonging to the county from whatever source derived according to law.

Scope

Our review was limited to the examination of collections, and receipting, as well as the office procedures for monies received for this period.

Objective

We ensured that funds collected on the Schedule of Receipts matched the daily deposit of monies received. We verified receipts and their supporting documents, performed random cash counts, and verified bank statements/collateral funds with their corresponding reconciliations for the period.

Findings

There were no exceptions that would lead us to conclude that the balances and collections of the office for this period were not, in all material respects, appropriately charged, remitted and reported.

Thank you and your staff for your courtesy and cooperation shown during this audit.

Sincerely,



Steven Watson
Johnson County Auditor

cc: Carter Staats, Internal Auditor
cc: Kathy Rice, Audit Manager