COUNTY OF WARREN
OFFICE OF THE CLERK
REPORT OF AUDIT
2012

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 TABLE OF CONTENTS

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the balance sheet *-regulatory basis*- of the Office of the County Clerk, a component unit of the County of Warren, as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the balance sheet.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this balance sheet in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey as described in Note 1 to the financial statements. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on this balance sheet based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"), Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether this balance sheet is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the office of the Clerk's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the office of the Clerk internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey Page 2

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

As described in Note 1, these financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles prescribed by the Division, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the balance sheet of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the balance sheet referred to above, does not present fairly in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America the financial position of the Clerk as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, or the changes in financial position, or where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended.

Unqualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the balance sheet – *regulatory basis* - referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the office of the Clerk as of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the balance sheet of the office of the Clerk. The supplementary data schedule listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the balance sheet.

The supplementary data schedule is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the balance sheet. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the balance sheet and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the balance sheet or to the balance sheet itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary data schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the balance sheet as a whole.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey May 17, 2013

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE CLERK COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	Decem	ber 31,					
	2012	2011					
<u>ASSETS</u>							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 299,467.75	\$ 253,463.21					
Change Fund	130.00	130.00					
Due from Passport Agencies	70.00	70.00					
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 299,667.75	\$ 253,663.21					
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES							
Fines Due to Municipalities	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00					
Court Deposits	140.00	140.00					
Recount Fees	187.00	187.00					
Charge Accounts	45,018.48	29,747.34					
Due to Warren County Treasurer	103,960.77	84,983.57					
Due to Warren County Treasurer,							
Public Health Priority Funds	10,201.50	10,065.25					
Due to Secretary of State	285.00	309.00					
Due to State of New Jersey,							
Division of Taxation	97,045.00	91,926.05					
Due to State of New Jersey,							
Preservation Fund	42,710.00	36,185.00					
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	\$ 299,667.75	\$ 253,663.21					

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Note 1: <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

The accounting policies of the Office of the County Clerk, County of Warren conform to the accounting principles applicable to counties which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds.

A. Reporting Entity

Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") publication Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity", establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. The basic criterion for inclusion or exclusion from the financial reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over agencies, boards and commissions by the primary government. The exercise of oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, certain legally separate, tax-exempt entities that meet specific criteria (i.e., benefit of economic resources, access/entitlement to resources and significance) should be included in financial reporting entities. Accordingly, the Office of the Clerk is a component unit of the County of Warren under the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board's Codification Section 2100.

B. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for counties by the Division differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local government units ("GAAP"). The more significant differences are as follows:

Receipts - receipts are recognized on a cash basis. GAAP requires such revenue to be recognized in the accounting period when they are measurable and available to fund current year's expenditures, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

Reserves/Disbursements - reserves are established to reflect amounts due to other governments, County offices, or other third parties. Disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. GAAP requires such obligations to be recorded as liabilities and expenditures in the period in which the obligations were incurred, if measurable.

Investments - investments, which consist of certificates of deposit, are recorded at cost plus interest earned as reported by the respective financial institutions.

C. Function of the Office of the County Clerk

The Office of the County Clerk acts as an intermediary for the Department of Treasury, State of New Jersey, and the U.S. Department of Justice by collecting fees for naturalization, passports, enrollments, incorporations, and other miscellaneous charges, and remitting the proceeds to the respective agencies. Fees for registering mortgages, deeds, power of attorney, etc., and related charges are remitted to the County. Receipts are recorded at the time the cash is received.

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost plus interest earned, which approximates market. The County classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

GASB Statement No. 40, Governmental Accounting Standards Deposit and Investments Risk Disclosures, requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the County in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk – In accordance with its cash management plan, the County ensures that any deposit or investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk – The County limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are those permitted under state statute as detailed below and on the following page.

Deposits:

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal 5% of the average daily balance of public funds on deposit and in addition if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

<u>Investments</u>:

New Jersey statutes permit the purchase of the following types of securities:

(1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cont'd)

<u>Investments</u> (Cont'd)

- (2) Government money market mutual funds;
- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor.
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; or
- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) above;
 - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in statute; and
 - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

The office of the County Clerk did not hold any investments during the year ending December 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2012, the carrying amount of the cash and cash equivalents of the Office of the County Clerk was \$299,597.75 and the bank balance was \$288,137.55.



COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE CLERK SCHEDULE OF CASH

		Balance at					Balance at
	D	ecember 31,				D	ecember 31,
		2011	Receipts	Disbursements		_	2012
Fines Due to Municipalities	\$	120.00				\$	120.00
Court Deposits	•	140.00				Ψ	140.00
Recount Fees		187.00					187.00
Charge Accounts		29,747.34	\$ 117,815.23	\$	102,544.09		45,018.48
Due to Warren County Treasurer		84,983.57	1,012,591.25		993,614.05		103,960.77
Due to Warren County Treasurer - Public Health							
Priority Funds		10,065.25	112,613.13		112,476.88		10,201.50
Due to Secretary of State		309.00	3,435.00		3,459.00		285.00
Due from Passport Agencies		(70.00)					(70.00)
Due to State of New Jersey,							
Division of Taxation		91,926.05	1,072,024.00		1,066,905.05		97,045.00
Due to State of New Jersey,							
Preservation Fund		36,185.00	456,775.00		450,250.00		42,710.00
	\$	253,593.21	\$2,775,253.61	_\$	2,729,249.07	\$	299,597.75

COUNTY OF WARREN
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK
AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON
ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL,
COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012



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May 17, 2013

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the balance sheet of the Office of the County Clerk, County of Warren for the year ended December 31, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated May 17, 2013.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and the findings and results, thereof are disclosed on the following page. This letter does not affect our report dated May 17, 2013, on the balance sheet of the Office of the County Clerk.

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

NONE

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR – STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND REPORT OF AUDIT YEAR ENDED DECMEBER 31, 2012

COUNTY OF WARREN

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND

REPORT OF AUDIT

2012

NISIVOCCIA LLP CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 TABLE OF CONTENTS

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Independent Auditors' Report

Office of the County Prosecutor County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements –regulatory basis - of the Office of the County Prosecutor - State Seized and Forfeited Assets Fund (the "Fund"), a component unit of the County of Warren as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012 and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the foregoing table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the Attorney General's Office, Department of Law and Public Safety, State of New Jersey (the "AG"); which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as described in Note 1 to the financial statements. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, audit requirements prescribed by the AG, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Office of the Prosecutor's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office of the Prosecutor's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Office of the County Prosecutor County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

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

As described in Note 1, these financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles prescribed by the AG, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for the Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph do not present fairly in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America the financial position of the Prosecutor as of December 31, 2012, or the changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Unqualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements – *regulatory basis* - referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Prosecutor as of December 31, 2012, on the basis of the financial reporting provisions prescribed by the AG, as described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Prosecutor's financial statements. The supplementary schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

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

Office of the County Prosecutor County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated May 24, 2013 on our consideration of the Prosecutor's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Prosecutor's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey May 24, 2013

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Seized Asset Trust	Law Enforcement Asset Trust Maintenance Account Account		Seized Funds Held in Evidence Confidential Account Account					Firearms Law Training Enforceme System Trust Account Account				December 31, 2012		
Assets															
Cash and Cash Equivalents Vehicles and Property	\$ 34,878 39,358	\$ 283,320	\$	10,397	\$	33,514	\$	2,941	\$	374	\$	16,353	\$	381,778 39,358	
Total Assets	\$ 74,236	\$ 283,320	\$	10,397	\$	33,514	\$	2,941	\$	374	\$	16,353	\$	421,136	
Liabilities and Fund Balance															
Reserve for Assets in Custodianship of the Prosecutor Reserve for Confidential Funds Reserve for Seized Funds Fund Balance	\$ 39,358 34,878	\$ 283,320	\$	10,397	\$	33,514	\$	2,941	\$	374	\$	16,353	\$	39,358 2,941 33,514 345,323	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 74,236	\$ 283,320	\$	10,397	\$	33,514	\$	2,941	\$	374	\$	16,353	\$	421,136	

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR

LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Seized Asset Trust Account		Law Enforcement Trust Account		Asset Maintenance Account		Firearms Training System Account		Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Account		Petty Cash		Dec	cember 31, 2012
Revenue														
Seized Funds Proceeds from Auction Interest On Investments Transfer from Seized Asset Trust Account Transfer from Seized Funds Held in Evidence Check Returned/ Voided	\$	9,157 25,012 36	\$	12,000 225 35,364 392	\$	9			\$	14 895 392			\$	21,157 25,012 284 36,259 784
Petty Cash Reimbursements											\$	52,208		52,208
Total Revenue		34,205		47,981		9				1,301		52,208		135,704
Expenditures and Other Charges														
Refunds of Seized Funds Municipal and Other Law Enforcement Agency Distribution Asset Maintenance and Forfeiture Costs Law Enforcement Expenditures Due Law Enforcement Trust Account		320 6,648 35,364		100,498		655				8,555				320 6,648 655 109,053 35,364
Due Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Account Petty Cash Expenditures		496										52,172		496 52,172
Total Expenditures and Other Changes		42,828		100,498		655				8,555	_	52,172		204,708
Excess/(Deficit) of Revenue Over Expenditures and Other Changes		(8,623)		(52,517)		(646)				(7,254)		35		(69,004)
Fund Balance January I		43,501		335,837		11,043	_\$	374		23,607		(35)		414,327
Fund Balance December 31	\$	34,878	\$	283,320	\$	10,397	\$	374	\$	16,353	\$	0	\$	345,323

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Seized Asset Trust Account		Law forcement Trust Account	Mai	Asset intenance account	l E	Seized Funds Held in ividence Account	nfidential Account	Tr Sy	earms aining ystem count	Enfo	inicipal Law preement Trust ccount	Petty Cash	Dec	2012
Cash Flows From Operating Activities															
Seized Funds Proceeds from Auction Interest On Investments Distribution from Seized Asset Trust Account Due from Seized Funds Held in Evidence Petty Cash Reimbursements	\$ 9,157 25,012 36	\$	12,000 225 35,364 392	\$	9	\$	7,200	\$ 10,000			\$	14 895 392	\$ 52,208	\$	38,357 25,012 284 36,259 784 52,208
Cash Provided by Operating Activities	 34,205	_	47,981		9		7,200	10,000				1,301	 52,208		152,904
Cash Paid for Refunds of Seized Funds Cash Paid to Other Agencies for Asset Share Cash Paid for Asset Maintenance and Forefeiture Costs Cash Paid for Law Enforcement Expenditures Cash Paid for Confidential Fund Expenditures Cash Paid to County Law Enforcement Trust Account Cash Paid to Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Cash Paid for Petty Cash Expenditures	 320 6,648 35,364 496		100,498		655		1,183	7,500				8,555	52,172		320 6,648 655 109,053 7,500 36,547 496 52,172
Cash Paid from Operating Activities	 42,828		100,498		655		1,183	7,500				8,555	 52,172		213,391
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	(8,623)		(52,517)		(646)		6,017	2,500				(7,254)	35		(60,487)
Cash Balance January 1, 2012	 43,501		335,837		11,043		27,497	 441	\$	374		23,607	 (35)		442,265
Cash Balance December 31, 2012	\$ 34,878	\$	283,320	_\$	10,397	\$	33,514	\$ 2,941	\$	374	\$	16,353	\$ 0	<u>\$</u>	381,778

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Office of the County Prosecutor - State Seized and Forfeited Assets Fund, County of Warren, conform to regulations governing forfeiture and distribution of property and funds prescribed by the Attorney General's Office, Department of Law and Public Safety, State of New Jersey. Such regulations are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to forfeited property.

A. Reporting Entity

Governmental Accounting Standards Board publication Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity", establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. The basic criterion for inclusion or exclusion from the financial reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over agencies, boards and commissions by the primary government. The exercise of oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, certain legally separate, tax-exempt entities that meet specific criteria (i.e., benefit of economic resources, access/entitlement to resources, and significance) should be included in the financial reporting entities. Accordingly, the Office of the Prosecutor is a component unit of the County of Warren under the provisions of Government Accounting Standards Board's Codification Section 2100.

B. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for counties by the Attorney General's Office differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local government units (GAAP). The more significant differences are as follows:

Revenues - revenues are recognized on a cash basis. GAAP requires such revenue to be recognized in the accounting period when they are measurable and available to fund current year's expenditures, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

Reserves/Expenditures - reserves are established to reflect amounts due to other governments, County offices, or other third parties. Expenditures are recognized when the obligation is incurred. GAAP requires such obligations to be recorded as liabilities and expenditures in the period in which the obligations were incurred, if measurable, and expected to be liquidated with current available financial resources.

C. Function of the Office of the County Prosecutor

The Office of the County Prosecutor administers the property and funds which a municipal law enforcement agency receives as a result of seizures and forfeitures brought under the authority of NJSA 2C:64-1 et seq. The Office of the County Prosecutor also participates in the Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property. The Office of the County Prosecutor maintains the following accounts:

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

C. Function of the Office of the County Prosecutor (Cont'd)

County Prosecutor's Law Enforcement Trust Account (CLETA) – accounts for funds or proceeds from the sale of forfeited property received by the County Prosecutor's office. These funds are to be used to benefit the prosecutor's office.

Asset Maintenance Account – accounts for interest earned on seized assets. These funds are to be used for forfeiture related purposes such as costs directly related to the administration or operation of the forfeiture program and the seizure, acquisition, maintenance and preservation of seized property prior to a final judgment of forfeiture.

Seized Asset Trust Account (SATA) – accounts for the seized funds not yet forfeited.

Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Account (MEA) – accounts for individual municipalities' share of interest earned on seized assets and funds or proceeds from the sale of forfeited property received by the County Prosecutor's office. These funds are to be used to benefit the local law enforcement agency of the municipality.

Firearms Training System Account – accounts for funds designated for the purpose of firearms training of law enforcement agencies in the County.

Confidential Account – accounts for funds used to purchase items directly related to ongoing investigations.

Seized Funds Held in Evidence Account – accounts for funds seized during criminal investigations.

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. The County classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cont'd)

GASB Statement No. 40, Governmental Accounting Standards Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the County in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk – In accordance with its cash management plan, the County ensures that any deposit or investment matures within the time period that approximated the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk – The County limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are those permitted under state statute as detailed below and on the following page.

Deposits:

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal 5% of the average daily balance of public funds on deposit.

In addition to the above collateral requirement, if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Investments:

New Jersey statutes permit the purchase of the following types of securities:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;
- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor;
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cont'd)

Investments (Cont'd):

- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; or
- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) above;
 - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in statute; and
 - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

As of December 31, 2012, cash and cash equivalents at the Office of the County Prosecutor's consisted of deposits in checking accounts and cash on hand held in evidence. The carrying amount of the Office of the County Prosecutor's cash at December 31, 2012 was \$381,778 and the bank balance was \$349,114. As of December 31, 2012, the petty cash account had a zero balance.

Note 3: Seized and Forfeited Assets Held

Seized and forfeited assets are valued at estimated wholesale value. Vehicles are auctioned off when the County gains title, and proceeds from the auction are deposited into the forfeited assets account. As of December 31, 2012, the following seized and forfeited assets were held:

		Descrip	tion			
File #	Year	Make	Model	Serial #	Value	Location
NA11-043	1997	Chevrolet	Cavalier	1G1JF52T4V7223690	1,495	Warren Co. Impound
NA11-066	1990	Honda	Civic	JHMED 836XLS0232 84	1,500	Warren Co. Impound
IN11-014	2007	Toyota	Matrix	2T1KR32E07C635101	9,300	Warren Co. Impound
12000489	1995	Ford	Truck	1FTDF15YOSNB60017	2,000	Warren Co. Impound
12000476	2007	Volkswagan	1K1 2 Dr. Grey	WVMAR71K27W166126	10,000	Warren Co. Impound
SV12-064	2008	Hyundai	Santa Fe	5NMSH73E48H205219	14,463	Warren Co. Impound
12000120	1994	Mercury	Sable Red	1MELM5346RA625652	600	Warren Co. Impound
					\$ 39,358	



COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR SCHEDULE OF DISTRIBUTION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Law Enforcement Agencies	Distribution
Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Account:	
Greenwich Township	\$ 7,424
Independence Township	1,131_
Total Law Enforcement Distribution	\$ 8,555

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR SCHEDULE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND & ASSET MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Description	Main	sset itenance count	Enf	Law forcement Trust Account
Audio and Video Security System and Related Equipment Audit Expense Conference / Registration Fees Vehicle Purchase Furniture and Equipment for Various Prosecutor Buildings Motor Vehicle Title & Towing Fees New Jersey Lawyer's Fund Uniform Expense	\$	655	\$	5,296 5,600 12,950 71,172 3,032 2,224 224
	\$	655	\$	100,498



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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Independent Auditors' Report

Office of the County Prosecutor County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, audit requirements prescribed for seized and/or forfeited property issued by the Attorney General's Office, Department of Law and Public Safety, State of New Jersey (the "AG"), and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements – regulatory basis – of the Warren County Prosecutor Seized and Forfeited Assets Fund as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 2013.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Office of the County Prosecutor's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office of the County Prosecutor's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office of the County Prosecutor's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Office of the County Prosecutor's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Office of the County Prosecutor County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey Page 2

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Office of the County Prosecutor's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office of the County Prosecutor's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Office of the County Prosecutor's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey May 24, 2013 NISIVOCCIA LLP

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COUNTY OF WARREN
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May 24, 2013

Office of the County Prosecutor County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the audit requirements prescribed for seized and/or forfeited property issued by the Attorney General's Office, Department of Law and Public Safety, State of New Jersey and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Office of the County Prosecutor - State Seized and Forfeited Assets Fund, County of Warren for the year ended December 31, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 2013.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the Attorney General's Office, Department of Law and Public Safety, State of New Jersey, and the results, thereof are disclosed on the following pages. This letter does not affect our report dated May 24, 2013, on the financial statements of the Office of the County Prosecutor - State Seized and Forfeited Assets Fund.

This report is intended for the information of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office's management and the Attorney General's Office, Department of Law and Public Safety, State of New Jersey. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR STATE SEIZED AND FORFEITED ASSETS FUND SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

None

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF REPORT OF AUDIT 2012

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT AND

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the balance sheet - regulatory basis - of the Office of the Sheriff, in the County of Warren as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the balance sheet.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this balance sheet in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey as described in Note 1 to the financial statements. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of balance sheet that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on this balance sheet based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the balance sheet is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the balance sheet, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Sheriff office's preparation and fair presentation of the balance sheet in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's office internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the balance sheet.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey Page 2

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

As described in Note 1, the balance sheet has been prepared in conformity with accounting principles prescribed by the Division, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the balance sheet referred to above, does not present fairly in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America the financial position of the Surrogate as of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Unqualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the balance sheet – *regulatory basis* - referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the office of the Sheriff as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, on the basis of the financial reporting provisions prescribed by the Division, as described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the balance sheet of the office of the Sheriff. The supplementary data schedule listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

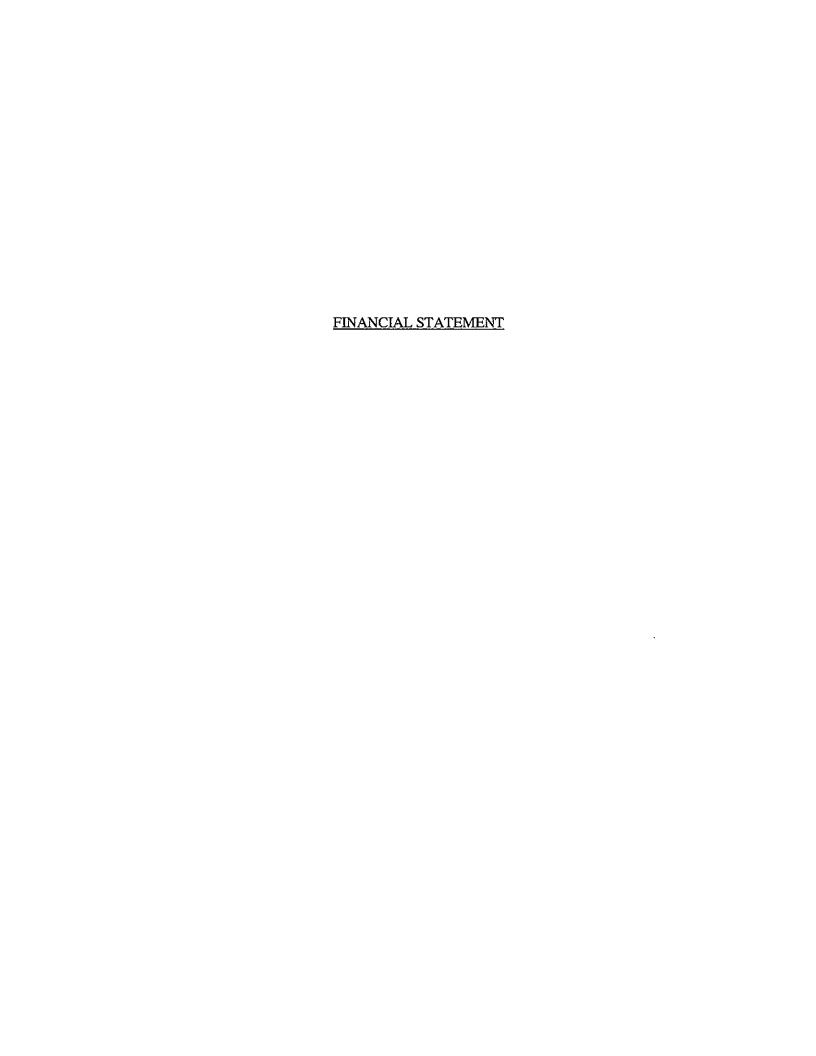
The supplementary data schedule is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the balance sheet. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the balance sheet and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the balance sheet or to the balance sheet itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary data schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the balance sheet as a whole.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey May 17, 2013

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	December 31,			
		2012		2011
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents:				
Sales Account	\$	95,786.75	\$	71,827.78
General Account		6,584.15		3,110.76
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	102,370.90	\$	74,938.54
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES				
Due to County Treasurer	\$	7,133.44	\$	1,409.41
Reserve for Wage Executions		5,861.76		2,502.98
Reserve for Foreclosures		89,375.70		71,026.15
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	\$	102,370.90	\$	74,938.54

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Office of the Sheriff, County of Warren conform to the accounting principles applicable to counties, which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds.

A. Reporting Entity

Governmental Accounting Standards Board publication <u>Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards</u>, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity", establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. The basic criterion for inclusion or exclusion from the financial reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over agencies, boards and commissions by the primary government. The exercise of oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, certain legally separate, tax-exempt entities that meet specific criteria (i.e., benefit of economic resources, access/entitlement to resources, and significance) should be included in the financial reporting entities. Accordingly, the Office of the Sheriff is a component unit of the County of Warren under the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board's Codification Section 2100.

B. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for counties by the Division differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local government units ("GAAP"). The more significant differences are as follows:

Receipts - receipts are recognized on a cash basis. GAAP requires such receipts to be recognized in the accounting period when they are measurable and available to fund current year's expenditures, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

Reserves/Disbursements - reserves are established to reflect amounts due to other governments, County offices, or other third parties. Disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. GAAP requires such obligations to be recorded as liabilities and expenditures in the period in which the obligations were incurred, if measurable.

Investments - investments, which consist of certificates of deposit, are recorded at cost, plus interest earned as reported by the respective financial institutions.

C. Function of the Office of the Sheriff

The Office of the Sheriff acts as an intermediary for the County Treasurer by collecting fees and receipts generated from foreclosure sales and executions. The Office of the Sheriff maintains the following reserves:

Wage Executions - Accounts for the receipts and fees from executions. Foreclosures - Accounts for the receipts and fees from foreclosures of property.

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

(Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost plus interest earned, which approximates market. The County classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

GASB Statement No. 40, Governmental Accounting Standards Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the County in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk – In accordance with its cash management plan, the County ensures that any deposit or investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk – The County limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are those permitted under state statute as detailed below and on the following page.

Deposits:

New Jersey statute permits the deposit of public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal 5% of the average daily balance of public funds on deposit and if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Investments:

New Jersey statutes permit the Office of the Sheriff to purchase the following types of securities:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;

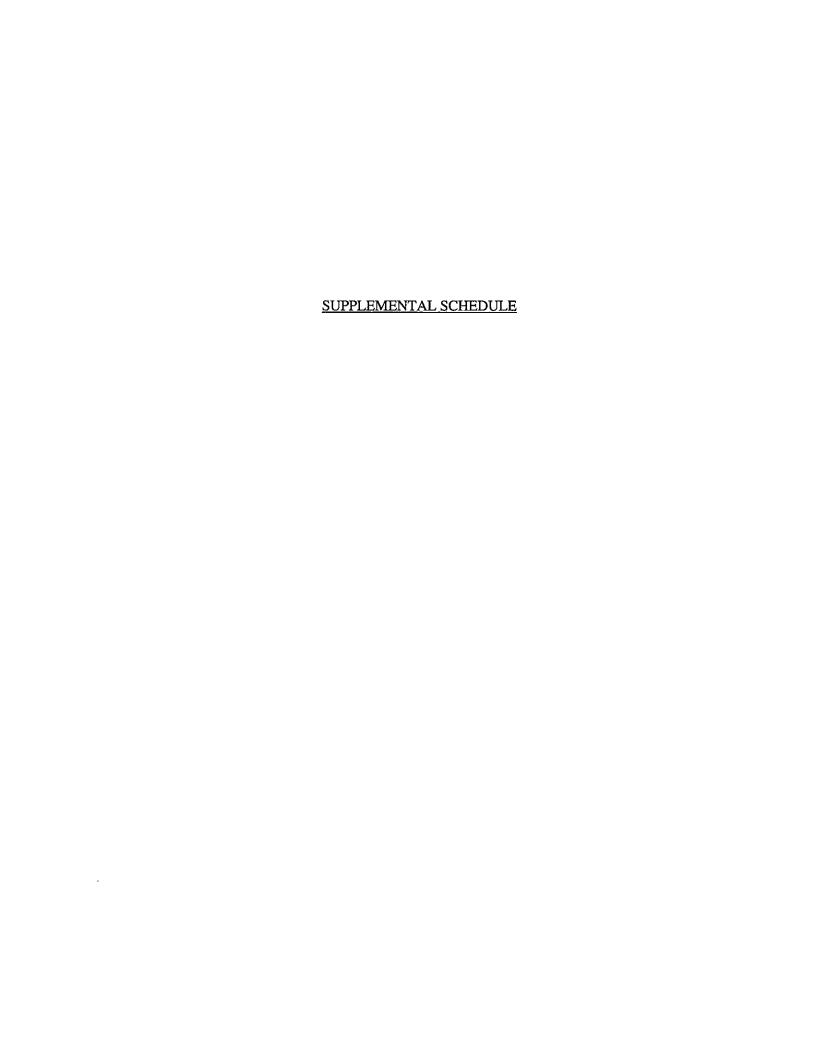
COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cont'd):

Investments: (Cont'd)

- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor.
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; or
- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) above;
 - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in statute;
 - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

The Office of the Sheriff did not hold any investments during the year ended December 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2012, cash at the Office of the Sheriff's office consisted of deposits in savings and checking accounts. The carrying amount of the Sheriff's cash at December 31, 2012 was \$102,370.90 and the bank balance was \$109,253.15.



COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF SCHEDULE OF CASH

		Due to County	Wage	
	Total	Treasurer	Executions	Foreclosures
Balance December 31, 2011	\$ 74,938.54	\$ 1,409.41	\$ 2,502.98	\$ 71,026.15
Increased by:				
Fees and Deposits	1,075,098.45	562,114.78	135,255.53	377,728.14
	1,150,036.99	563,524.19	137,758.51	448,754.29
Decreased by:				
Cash Disbursements	1,047,666.09	556,390.75	131,896.75	359,378.59
Balance December 31, 2012	\$ 102,370.90	\$ 7,133.44	\$ 5,861.76	\$ 89,375.70

COUNTY OF WARREN
OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON
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May 17, 2013

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the balance sheet of the Office of the Sheriff, County of Warren for the year ended December 31, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated May 17, 2013.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and the findings and results, if any, thereof are disclosed on the following page. This letter does not affect our report dated May 17, 2013, on the balance sheet of the Office of the Sheriff.

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

NONE

COUNTY OF WARREN
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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT AND

BALANCE SHEET AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the balance sheet – *regulatory basis* - of the Office of the Surrogate, a component unit of the County of Warren, as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the balance sheet.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this balance sheet in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, as described in Note 1 to the financial statements. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of this balance sheet that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on this balance sheet based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether this balance sheet is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Office of the Surrogate's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office of the Surrogate's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Page 2

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

As described in Note 1, the balance sheet has been prepared in conformity with accounting principles prescribed by the Division, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the balance sheet of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the balance sheet referred to above, does not present fairly in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America the financial position of the Surrogate as of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Unqualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the balance sheet – *regulatory basis* - referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Office of the Surrogate as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, on the basis of the financial reporting provisions prescribed by the Division, as described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the balance sheet of the Office of the Surrogate. The supplementary data schedule listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

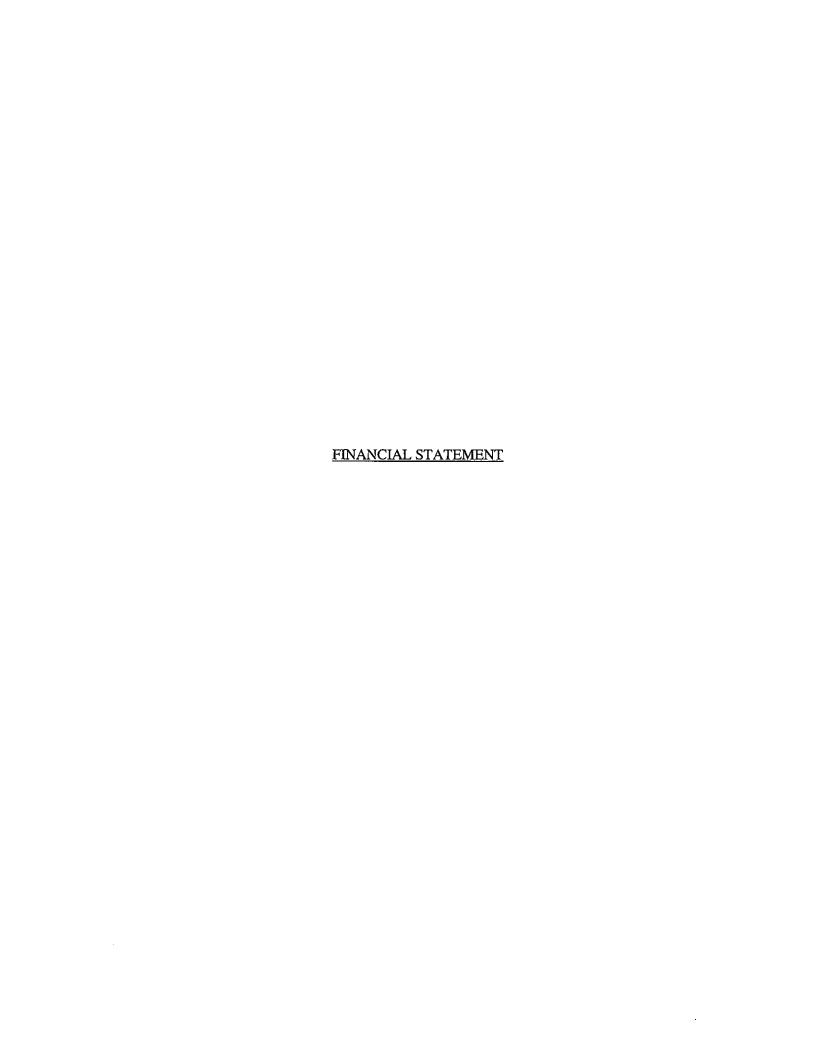
The supplementary data schedule is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the balance sheet. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the balance sheet and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the balance sheet or to the balance sheet itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary data schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the balance sheet as a whole.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey May 17, 2013

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Registered Municipal Accountant #98

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	Decem	iber 31,
	2012	2011
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents:		
Surrogate's Account	\$ 11,268.65	\$ 8,714.00
Client's Account	1,839.18	1,789.18
Guardianship Trust Fund	4,014,224.66	5,874,978.87
Guardianship Trust Fund - Investments	854,680.19	
Petty Cash	50.00	50.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,882,062.68	\$ 5,885,532.05
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		
Due to Warren County Treasurer	\$ 11,318.65	\$ 8,764.00
Reserve for Attorneys Deposits	1,839.18	1,789.18
Reserve for Guardianship Trust Funds	4,868,904.85	5,874,978.87
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	\$ 4,882,062.68	\$ 5,885,532.05

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Office of the Surrogate, County of Warren conform to the accounting principles applicable to counties which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds.

A. Reporting Entity

Governmental Accounting Standards Board publication Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity", establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. The basic criterion for inclusion or exclusion from the financial reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over agencies, boards and commissions by the primary government. The exercise of oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, certain legally separate, tax-exempt entities that meet specific criteria (i.e., benefit of economic resources, access/entitlement to resources, and significance) should be included in the financial reporting entities. Accordingly, the Office of the Surrogate is a component unit of the County of Warren under the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board's Codification Section 2100.

B. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for counties by the Division differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local government units ("GAAP"). The more significant differences are as follows:

Receipts - receipts are recognized on a cash basis. GAAP requires such receipts to be recognized in the accounting period when they are measurable and available to fund current year's expenditures, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

Reserves/Disbursements - reserves are established to reflect amounts due to other governments, County offices, or other third parties. Disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. GAAP requires such obligations to be recorded as liabilities and expenditures in the period in which the obligations were incurred, if measurable.

Investments - investments, which consist of certificates of deposit, are recorded at cost plus interest earned as reported by the respective financial institutions.

C. Function of the Office of the Surrogate

The Office of the Surrogate acts as a guardian for the funds of certain residents, such as minors or incompetents. The Office of the Surrogate also acts as intermediary for the County Treasurer by collecting revenue generated in the form of probate fees and fees for copies of wills and similar items. The Office of the Surrogate maintains the following funds:

Surrogate's Account – Accounts for the receipt of fees for probating wills

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

C. Function of the Office of the Surrogate

Attorney's Deposits – Accounts for the receipts of deposits from attorneys.

Guardianship Fund - Accounts for the receipt of money held for minors and incompetents.

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost plus interest earned, which approximates market. The County classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

GASB Statement No. 40, Governmental Accounting Standards Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the County in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk – In accordance with its cash management plan, the County ensures that any deposit or investment matures within the time period that approximated the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk – The County limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are those permitted under state statute as detailed on the following page.

Deposits:

New Jersey statutes permits the deposit of public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal 5% of the average daily balance of public funds on deposit and

If the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Continued)

Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents

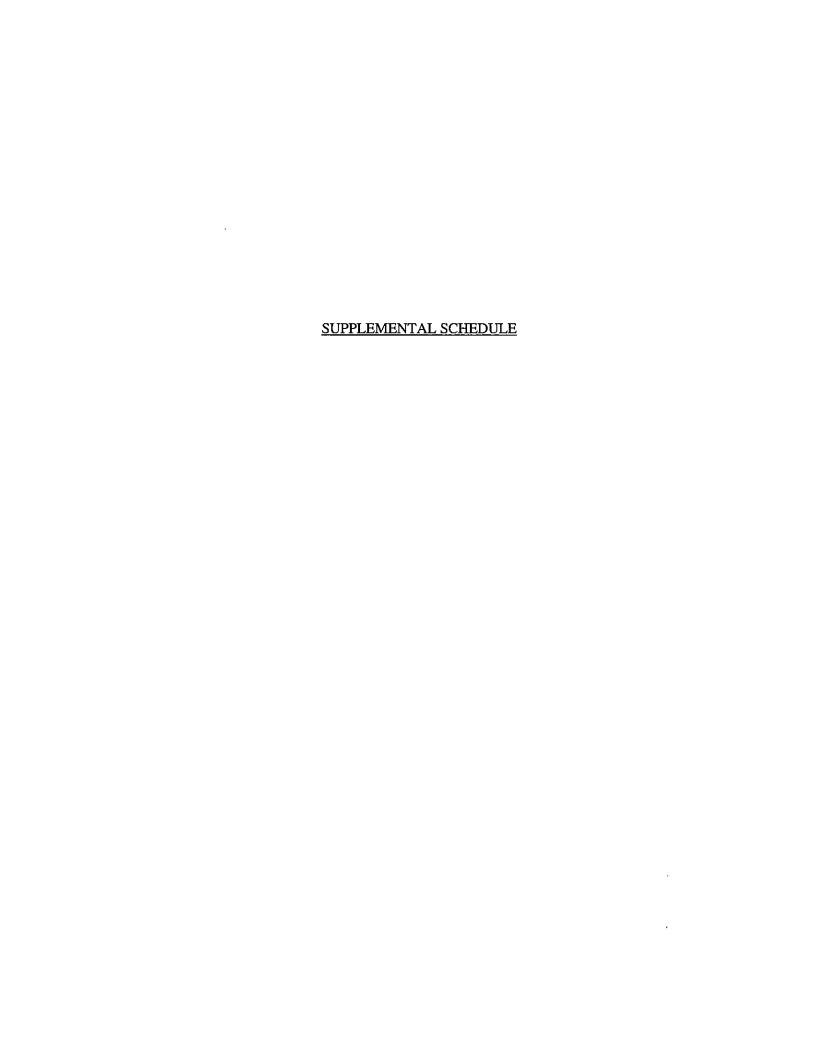
Investments:

New Jersey statutes permit the Office of the Surrogate to purchase the following types of securities:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America:
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;
- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; or
- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) above:
 - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in statute; and
 - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

As of December 31, 2012, cash of the Office of the Surrogate consisted of savings, checking, and certificates of deposit. Cash and investments held on behalf of the guardians consisted of savings accounts and certificates of deposit.

The carrying amount of the Office of the Surrogate's cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2012 was \$4,027,382.49, which consisted of \$4,014,224.66 in savings accounts, \$13,107.83 in checking accounts, and \$50.00 petty cash. Investments consisted of \$854,680.19 in certificates of deposit. The total of the corresponding bank balances was \$4,883,280.59.



COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS

	Balance at December 31, 2011	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance at December 31, 2012
Due to Warren County Treasurer Reserve for Attorneys Deposits Reserve for Guardianship Accounts	\$ 8,764.00 1,789.18 5,874,978.87	\$ 149,233.44 1,900.00 810,155.04	\$ 146,678.79 1,850.00 1,816,229.06	\$ 11,318.65 1,839.18 4,868,904.85
	\$ 5,885,532.05	\$ 961,288.48	\$ 1,964,757.85	\$ 4,882,062.68

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May 17, 2013

The Honorable Director and Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Warren Belvidere, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the comparative balance sheet of the Office of the Surrogate, County of Warren for the year ended December 31, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated May17, 2013.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and the findings and results thereof are disclosed on the following page. This letter does not affect our report dated May 17, 2013, on the balance sheet of the Office of the Surrogate.

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COUNTY OF WARREN OFFICE OF THE SURROGATE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None
