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**LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
WYANDOT COUNTY**

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To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

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Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

July 7, 2005

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Law Library Association
Wyandot County
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Law Library Association, Wyandot County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2003. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 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 reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Library has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Library to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the year ended December 31, 2004. Instead of the funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2004 (and 2003), the revisions require presenting entity wide statements for 2004. While the Library does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Library has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Library does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

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In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the year ended December 31, 2004, do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Library as of December 31, 2004, or its changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances of the Library as of December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2003, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the Library to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2004. The Library has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 7, 2005, on our consideration of the Library's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.



Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

July 7, 2005

**LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE
ALL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**

	General	Retained Monies Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Fines and Forfeitures	\$80,064	\$0	\$80,064
Interest	280	140	420
Miscellaneous Receipts	797	0	797
Total Cash Receipts	<u>81,141</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>81,281</u>
Cash Disbursements:			
Books & Subscriptions	73,799	3,577	77,376
Supplies and Materials	7,973	0	7,973
Equipment	642	0	642
Other Expenditures	21	0	21
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>82,435</u>	<u>3,577</u>	<u>86,012</u>
Total Cash Receipts (Under) Cash Disbursements	<u>(1,294)</u>	<u>(3,437)</u>	<u>(4,731)</u>
Cash Balance, January 1, 2004	<u>1,294</u>	<u>77,616</u>	<u>78,910</u>
Cash Balance, December 31, 2004	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$74,179</u></u>	<u><u>\$74,179</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE
ALL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003**

	General	Retained Monies Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Fines and Forfeitures	\$91,321	\$0	\$91,321
Interest	472	281	753
Miscellaneous Receipts	7	0	7
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Total Cash Receipts	91,800	281	92,081
Cash Disbursements:			
Books & Subscriptions	82,491	0	82,491
Supplies and Materials	7,542	0	7,542
Other Expenditures	1,337	0	1,337
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Total Cash Disbursements	91,370	0	91,370
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	430	281	711
Cash Balance, January 1, 2003	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	864	77,335	78,199
Cash Balance, December 31, 2003	<hr/> \$1,294	<hr/> \$77,616	<hr/> \$78,910

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
WYANDOT COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Wyandot County Law Library Association, (the Library) is directed by a board of three trustees who are appointed as needed by members of the Wyandot County Bar Association. The Library provides free access for all county officers and the judges of the several courts within the county.

The Library operates by receiving a portion of fine and forfeiture monies from the courts (and any associated interest) under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) §§ 3375.50 to .53, inclusive. ORC § 3375.54 authorizes the Library to disburse funds to purchase, lease or rent lawbooks; computer communications consoles to access a system of computerized legal research; microfilm materials and equipment, videotape materials and equipment; audio or visual materials and equipment; and other services, materials, and equipment that provide legal information or facilitate legal research.

ORC §3375.49 requires the Wyandot County Commissioners to provide adequate facilities for the Library, including suitable bookcases, heating and lighting for the rooms.

The Board of Trustees hires a librarian and one assistant law librarian. The Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Wyandot County fix the compensation pursuant to ORC § 3375.48. If the Library provides free access to all county officers and the judges of the several courts, the County treasury pays the librarians' salary. If the Library does not provide free access, the Library must pay the librarians' salary. For fiscal years 2004 and 2003, Wyandot County paid the salary of the librarian and the assistant.

The Library's management believes these financial statements present all funds for which the Library is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Library recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

C. Cash

The Library values certificates of deposit at cost.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The Library classifies its funds as follows:

1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Retained Monies Fund

The Retained Monies Fund reports funds the Library retains under Ohio Revised Code § 3375.56. At the end of each calendar year the Library may retain up to ten percent of their unencumbered balance. See footnote 2 for additional information.

E. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Library records disbursements for equipment acquisitions when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets. The Library deems computers, copiers, fax machines, and other items related toward facilitating the use of equipment as equipment.

F. Refund to Relative Income Sources

If certain conditions are met, Ohio Revised Code § 3375.56 requires the Library to refund at least ninety percent of any cash balance to political subdivisions that provided revenues to the Library. See Footnote 2 for additional information.

G. Total Columns on Financial Statements

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned (Memorandum Only) to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, or results of operations in conformity with the Library's accounting basis. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. The Library does not eliminate interfund transactions when aggregating this data.

2. REFUND TO RELATIVE INCOME SOURCES AND AMOUNT RETAINED

In any year that receipts exceed disbursements, the Library refunds at least ninety percent of the cash balance to the political subdivisions who provided the funds and retains the remainder. Ohio Revised Code § 3375.56 requires this "refund to relative income sources." In 2004 and 2003 the Library's disbursements exceeded receipts and, therefore, no refund was required.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003
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3. RESTATEMENT

The Library maintains a savings account determined in previous years to be private monies. Accordingly, the activity and balances of this account had been excluded from the Library's financial statements. The Library has subsequently determined these to be public funds. As a result, the Library's beginning balance has been adjusted as follows:

	Retained Monies Fund
Balance Reported at December 31, 2002	\$ 43,038
Add: Account previously omitted	34,578
Restated Balance, January 1, 2003	\$ 77,616

4. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Library maintains a cash pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 follows:

	2004	2003
Deposits	\$32,031	\$36,973
Certificates of deposit	42,148	41,937
Total deposits	\$74,179	\$78,910

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Library has insurance coverage through the policies obtained by the Wyandot County Commissioners.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Law Library Association
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109 South Sandusky Street
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Law Library Association, Wyandot County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated July 7, 2005, wherein we noted the Library followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures to express our opinion on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Library's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*. In a separate letter to the Library's management dated July 7, 2005, we reported other matters related to noncompliance we deemed immaterial.

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

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July 7, 2005



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

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SEPTEMBER 6, 2005**