



**MEDINA COUNTY LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MEDINA COUNTY
REGULAR AUDIT
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007-2006**



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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 an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your Library 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 adverse 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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March 21, 2008

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Medina County Law Library Association
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the General Fund and the Retained Monies Fund of the Medina County Law Library Association, Medina County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. 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 our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The financial statements present only the General Fund and the Retained Monies Fund and do not intend to present fairly the financial position or results of operations of all Library funds.

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.

GAAP requires presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Library's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. 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 GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require Libraries to reformat their statements. The Library has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. 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.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 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, 2007 and 2006, or its changes in financial for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Medina County Law Library Association's, Medina County, Ohio, General Fund and the Retained Monies Fund as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

As discussed in Note 2, the Library has included activity associated with the Retained Monies Fund.

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 March 21, 2008, 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.



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March 21, 2008

**MEDINA COUNTY LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MEDINA COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
ALL PUBLIC FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Retained Monies Fund</u>	<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
Cash Receipts:			
Fine and Forfeitures	\$461,435		\$461,435
Interest	1,001	\$451	1,452
Miscellaneous Receipts	117		117
Total Cash Receipts	462,553	451	463,004
Cash Disbursements:			
Salaries and Benefits	65,207		65,207
Supplies and Materials	256,274		256,274
Purchased Services	120,902		120,902
Refunds to Relative Income Sources - See Note 2	1,886		1,886
Equipment	2,242		2,242
Miscellaneous	353		353
Total Cash Disbursements	446,864		446,864
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	15,689	451	16,140
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):			
Remittance to Retained Funds	(209)	209	
Refunds from Vendors	7,350		7,350
Advances-In From Private Funds	15,000		15,000
Advances-Out To Private Funds	(15,000)		(15,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	7,141	209	7,350
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	22,830	660	23,490
Public Fund Cash Balances, January 1	23,499	37,611	61,110
Public Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$46,329	\$38,271	\$84,600
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$19,614		\$19,614

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 BALANCES
ALL PUBLIC FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Retained Monies Fund</u>	<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
Cash Receipts:			
Fine and Forfeitures	\$455,909		\$455,909
Interest	1,634	\$2,364	3,998
Miscellaneous Receipts	148		148
Total Cash Receipts	<u>457,691</u>	<u>2,364</u>	<u>460,055</u>
Cash Disbursements:			
Salaries and Benefits	58,225		58,225
Supplies and Materials	273,998	27,226	301,224
Purchased Services	120,130		120,130
Refunds to Relative Income Sources - See Note 2	32,362		32,362
Equipment	253		253
Miscellaneous	430	5	435
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>485,398</u>	<u>27,231</u>	<u>512,629</u>
Total Cash Receipts Under Cash Disbursements	<u>(27,707)</u>	<u>(24,867)</u>	<u>(52,574)</u>
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):			
Remittance to Retained Funds	<u>(3,596)</u>	<u>3,596</u>	
Deficiency of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Under Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	(31,303)	(21,271)	(52,574)
Public Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>54,802</u>	<u>58,882</u>	<u>113,684</u>
Public Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$23,499</u>	<u>\$37,611</u>	<u>\$61,110</u>
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	<u>\$21,404</u>		<u>\$21,404</u>

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

**MEDINA COUNTY LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MEDINA COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Description of the Entity

The Medina County Law Library Association, Medina County, Ohio, (the Library) is governed by a board of five trustees. Members of the Medina County Bar Association annually elect the board members. The Library provides access to 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 law books; 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 Medina County Commissioners to provide adequate facilities for the Library, including suitable bookcases, heating and lighting for the rooms.

The Board of Trustees elect a librarian and hire not more than two assistant law librarians. The Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Medina County fix the librarian's compensation pursuant to ORC § 3375.48. The Board of Trustees sets the salary for the assistants. 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.

House Bill 66 amended Ohio Rev. Code Section 3375.48 to transfer the authority to fix the compensation of the law librarian and assistant law librarians from the judges of the common pleas court to the county law library association's board of trustees. Additionally, this bill and House Bill 363 amended Ohio Rev. Code Section 3375.49 to allocate the responsibility of paying the compensation of the law librarian and up to two assistants as well as space, utilities, and fixtures, between the law library association and the county. Beginning in calendar year 2007, the proportionate share of which the Library is responsible for increases, and the county's share proportionately decreases, each calendar year until 2011 for compensation, and 2012 for space utilities and fixtures. At those times the law library association will be responsible for the entire amount of the librarians' compensation and space, utilities, furniture, and fixtures.

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

The Library deems some funds it receives as private monies. Private monies include: membership dues, overdue book charges, and photocopying charges. Fees the Library collects for the use of books and copiers remain private even though the books and copiers may have been purchased with public funds. The Library need not comply with ORC § 3375.54 when disbursing private money. The accompanying financial statements do not present private monies.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006
(Continued)**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis 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. The Reserve for Encumbrances on the financial statements represents the Library's commitments for purchases. The Library recognizes encumbrances when it commits funds.

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

C. Cash and Investments

The Library's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Library values certificates of deposit at cost.

D. Fund Accounting

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Library classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

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

2. Retained Monies Fund

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 Note 2 for additional information.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code does not require the Library to budget annually. However, under Ohio Revised Code § 3375.56 the Library may encumber funds equal to their commitments outstanding at year end. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over to the subsequent year.

F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Library records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006
(Continued)**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

G. 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 *unencumbered* balance to political subdivisions that provided revenues to the Library. See Note 2 for additional information.

H. Advances To/From Private Funds

During 2007, the Library had a cash flow shortage. The Library temporarily advanced \$15,000 from its Private Funds into the General Fund to meet its expenditure obligations. The advance was returned from the General Fund to the Private Funds within the same year.

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 unencumbered 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". The following tables present the refunded and retained amounts during 2007 and 2006.

Unencumbered Balance at December 31, 2006	
Refunded and Retained During Calendar Year 2007	
Unencumbered Balance at December 31, 2006	\$2,095
Refunded to Relative Sources during 2007	1,886
Retained Funds Amount during 2007	\$209

Refunded and Retained During Calendar Year 2006	
Unencumbered Balance at December 31, 2005	\$35,958
Refunded to Relative Sources during 2006	32,362
Retained Funds Amount during 2006	\$3,596

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006
(Continued)**

3. Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments

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

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Demand deposits	\$59,600	\$61,110
Certificates of deposit	25,000	
Total deposits	<u>\$84,600</u>	<u>\$61,110</u>

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

4. Risk Management

Commercial Insurance

The Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability; and
- Errors and omissions.



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

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Medina County Law Library Association, Medina County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated March 21, 2008, 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 also disclosed the financial statements include only the general fund, the retained monies fund. 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 as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Library's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Library's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Library's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Library's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Library's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management and Library Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Taylor".

Mary Taylor, CPA
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March 21, 2008

**MEDINA COUNTY LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MEDINA COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2005-001	Library did not reconcile the bank balance to the book balance	Yes	Finding No Longer Valid.



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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

**CERTIFIED
APRIL 8, 2008**