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## FIRST FOLLOW-UP AUDIT OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

## **REVOLVING FUND**

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#### **Transmittal Letter**

May 24, 2007

TO: Deborah A. Kwast Public Defender

Peter Hughes, Ph.D., CPA, Direc Scherklughes FROM:

SUBJECT:First and Final Close-Out Follow-Up Audit<br/>Fund, Original Audit No. 2599, Issued July 27, 2006

We have completed a first and Final Follow-Up Audit of internal controls over the Public Defender's Revolving Fund. Our audit was limited to reviewing, as of May 22, 2007, actions taken to implement the seven recommendations in our audit report dated July 27, 2006. The results of our Follow-Up Audit are discussed in the **Internal Auditor's Report** following this transmittal letter. Because satisfactory corrective action has been taken for all seven audit recommendations, this report represents the close-out of the original audit.

Each month I submit an **Audit Status Report** to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) where I detail any material and significant audit findings released in reports during the prior month and the implementation status of audit recommendations as disclosed by our Follow-Up Audits. Accordingly, the results of this audit will be included in a future report to the BOS.

Other recipients of this report:

Members, Board of Supervisors Members, Audit Oversight Committee Becky Juliano, Manager of Administration, Public Defender Foreperson, Grand Jury Darlene J. Bloom, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



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INTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT FINAL CLOSE OUT

May 24, 2007

Deborah A. Kwast Public Defender 14 Civic Center Plaza Santa Ana, CA 92701

We have completed a first and Final Close-Out Follow-Up Audit of internal controls over the Public Defender's revolving fund. Our audit was limited to reviewing actions taken as of May 22, 2007 to implement the recommendations made in our original audit report.

The original audit report contained seven (7) recommendations. We are pleased to report that satisfactory corrective action has taken place for all seven audit recommendations. As such, this report represents the final close-out of the original audit. We commend Public Defender staff for their responsiveness and attentiveness in addressing the audit recommendations.

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance extended to us by your staff during our Follow-Up Audit. If you have any questions, please contact me directly or Eli Littner, Deputy Director at 834-5899, or Michael Goodwin, Senior Audit Manager at 834-6066.

Sincerely,

Peter Hughe, Ph.D., CPA Director, Internal Audit

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