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Dear Friends:

It is my pleasure to present the eleventh edition of the Statistical Reference Guide (SRG) to Florida’s Trial Courts. This SRG is a compilation of Summary Reporting System data as reported to the Office of the State Courts Administrator by each of the sixty-seven clerks of court. Each year, staff of the Office of the State Courts Administrator work diligently for several months examining and verifying the data exhibited in the SRG. This publication has been, and will continue to be, an essential reference in the management and oversight of the state courts system.

The following pages provide a detailed view of cases filed, disposed, and other statistics in our trial courts during the fiscal year 2010-11, for both the circuit and county courts. Information is presented by category and case type for both levels of trial court. In addition, this year’s SRG includes expanded case and disposition types for the Circuit Civil and Family Court divisions which capture more detailed information pertaining to negligence, foreclosure, repeat violence and other domestic relations cases.

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Sincerely,

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