

**MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND**  
**(A GOVERNMENTAL FUND OF THE REPUBLIC**  
**OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS)**

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**AND**  
**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

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**YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015**

# MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND

Years Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015  
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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Honorable Carl B. Ingram  
Chief Justice of the High Court  
Republic of the Marshall Islands:

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund, a governmental fund of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, which comprise the balance sheets as of September 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***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 generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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 an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits 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 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 entity'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 entity'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 opinion.

## ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund as of September 30, 2016 and 2015, and the results of its operations for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## ***Emphasis of a Matter - Reporting Entity***

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above present only the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the Republic of the Marshall Islands in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

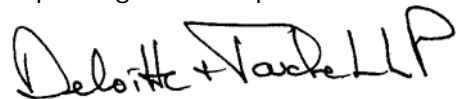
## ***Other Matters***

### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Other Supplementary Information, as set forth in Section III of the foregoing table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The Other Supplementary Information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates 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 themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Other Supplementary Information set forth in Section III of the foregoing table of contents is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

## ***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 3, 2017, on our consideration of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund'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 financing reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



May 3, 2017

**MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND**

Balance Sheets  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	\$ 314,664	\$ 326,752
Accounts receivable	9,099	-
	<u>\$ 323,763</u>	<u>\$ 326,752</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 5,188
Other liabilities and accruals	6,803	5,985
Total liabilities	<u>6,803</u>	<u>11,173</u>
Contingency		
Fund balance:		
Committed	<u>316,960</u>	<u>315,579</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 323,763</u>	<u>\$ 326,752</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND**

Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance  
Years Ended September 30, 2016 and 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Revenues:		
Nitijela appropriation	\$ 916,908	\$ 943,390
Fines and fees	67,897	48,302
Interest	934	1,022
Other	<u>34,132</u>	<u>41,803</u>
Total revenues	<u>1,019,871</u>	<u>1,034,517</u>
Expenditures:		
Salaries, wages and benefits	573,620	574,324
Supplies and materials	119,585	48,377
Travel	64,451	32,658
Leased housing	56,250	67,500
Communications	48,443	44,290
Capital outlay	44,801	80,050
Utilities	39,870	54,344
Professional services	23,931	12,582
Repairs and maintenance	8,938	17,508
POL	7,967	9,909
Miscellaneous	<u>30,634</u>	<u>20,507</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,018,490</u>	<u>962,049</u>
Net change in fund balance	1,381	72,468
Fund balance at the beginning of the year	<u>315,579</u>	<u>243,111</u>
Fund balance at the end of the year	<u><u>\$ 316,960</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 315,579</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND

Notes to Financial Statements  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

### (1) Organization

The Marshall Islands Constitution vests the country's judicial power in an independent judiciary. The Marshall Islands judiciary (the Judiciary) includes a supreme court, high court, traditional rights court, district court, and community courts as well as a judicial service commission and court staff. The Judiciary officially commenced operation on March 3, 1982, assuming judicial functions in the Marshall Islands that had been discharged by the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands courts.

The Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund (the Judiciary Fund), a governmental fund of the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RepMar), was established pursuant to the Judiciary Fund Act 1989, as amended. The objective of the Judiciary Fund is to establish a more efficient means for administration of funds received by the Judiciary and for related purposes. The Judiciary Fund is primarily funded through operational appropriations from the Nitijela (the RepMar Legislature).

The Chief Justice of the High Court and the Clerk of the Courts acting together are responsible for opening and maintaining bank accounts as is necessary for the efficient operation of the Judiciary and for setting policy, strategy and financial guidelines for the day-to-day operations of the Judiciary.

The accompanying financial statements relate solely to those accounting records maintained by the Judiciary, and do not incorporate any accounts related to any other departments or agencies of RepMar that may be accounted for by RepMar's Treasury. The Judiciary Fund is considered to be a blended component unit (a governmental fund) of RepMar.

### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Judiciary Fund's accounting policies are described below.

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The Judiciary Fund reports its financial position and the results of operations in one governmental fund. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position and are not involved with measurement of results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked monies (special revenue funds).

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- i. Operations Fund - This fund was established to account for monies received by the Judiciary Fund for operational purposes appropriated by RepMar as well as general fees, fines or other sums collected by the Court.

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Notes to Financial Statements  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

## (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting, Continued

- ii. Legal Aid Fund - This fund was established to account for monies received by the Judiciary Fund for the provision of legal aid services to those who cannot afford the cost of legal representation.

No external restrictions are imposed with respect to fund balance amounts recorded by the Legal Aid Fund. Instead, fund balance amounts of the Legal Aid Fund are considered committed for designated purposes internally imposed by the Court.

### Basis of Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included in the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in fund balance.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by all governmental fund types. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e. when they become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Judiciary Fund considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

### Budget

An annual appropriated budget has not been formally adopted on a legal basis or a basis consistent with GAAP. Accordingly, a budget to actual presentation is not required or presented.

### Cash

The deposit and investment policies of the Judiciary Fund are governed by 3 MIRC 7, *Investments of Public Funds*, and 11 MIRC 1, *Financial Management*. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Judiciary Fund's deposits may not be returned to it. Such deposits are not covered by depository insurance and are either uncollateralized or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution or held by the pledging financial institution but not in the depositor-government's name. The Judiciary Fund does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

For purposes of the balance sheets, cash is defined as cash on hand and cash held in demand accounts. As of September 30, 2016 and 2015, the carrying amounts of cash were \$314,664 and \$326,752, respectively, and the corresponding bank balances were \$314,742 and \$331,614, respectively. Of the bank balances, \$66,386 and \$99,115, respectively, are maintained in a financial institution subject to Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance with the remaining amounts of \$248,356 and \$232,499, respectively, being maintained in a financial institution not subject to depository insurance. As of September 30, 2016 and 2015, bank deposits in the amount of \$66,386 and \$99,115, respectively, were FDIC insured. The Judiciary Fund does not require collateralization of its cash deposits; therefore, deposit levels in excess of FDIC insurance coverage are uncollateralized. Accordingly, these deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk.



## MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND

Notes to Financial Statements  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

#### Compensated Absences

The Judiciary Fund recognizes expenditures for annual leave and sick leave when leave is actually taken. Accordingly, unused annual leave and sick leave are not included as an obligation within the balance sheet unless such leave is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources, at which time expenditures and related fund liabilities would be recognized.

#### Fund Balance

Fund balance classifications are based on the extent to which the Judiciary Fund is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent and are reported under the following fund balance classifications:

- Non-spendable - includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.
- Restricted - includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed - includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority and does not lapse at year-end.
- Assigned - includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted nor committed.
- Unassigned includes negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

Restricted/committed amounts are spent first when both the restricted and unrestricted fund balance are available unless there are legal documents/contracts that prohibit doing this. In addition, committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of the unrestricted fund balance are expended in that order.

A formal minimum fund balance policy has not been adopted.

#### Taxes

The Judiciary Fund and related transactions are not subject to any tax, rate, charge, or impost under any other law.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND

Notes to Financial Statements  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

#### New Accounting Standards

During the year ended September 30, 2016, the Judiciary Fund implemented the following pronouncements:

- GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, which addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements and requires entities to expand their fair value disclosures by determining major categories of debt and equity securities within the fair value hierarchy on the basis of the nature and risk of the investment.
- GASB Statement No. 76, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments*, which eliminates two of the four categories of authoritative GAAP that exist under the existing hierarchy prescribed by Statement No. 55. The two categories that will remain under the new standard are (1) GASB Statements and (2) GASB technical bulletins and implementation guides in addition to AICPA guidance that the GASB clears.
- GASB Statement No. 79, *Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants*, addresses for certain external investment pools and their participants the accounting and financial reporting implications that result from changes in the regulatory provisions referenced by previous accounting and financial reporting standards. Those provisions were based on the Investment Company Act of 1940, Rule 2a7. Rule 2a7 contains the Securities and Exchange Commission's regulations that apply to money market funds and were significantly amended in 2014.

The implementation of these statements did not have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements.

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*, which aligns the reporting requirements for pensions and pension plans not covered in GASB Statements 67 and 68 with the reporting requirements in Statement 68. The provisions in Statement No. 73 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015, with the exception of the provisions that address employers and governmental nonemployer contributing entities for pensions that are not within the scope of Statement 68, which are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, which replaces Statements No. 43, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, as amended, and No. 57, *OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans*, and addresses financial reporting requirements for governments whose employees are provided with postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB). The provisions in Statement No. 74 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

## MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND

Notes to Financial Statements  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

#### New Accounting Standards, Continued

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, which replaces the requirements of Statements No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, as amended, and No. 57, *OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans*, and provides guidance on reporting by governments that provide OPEB to their employees and for governments that finance OPEB for employees of other governments. The provisions in Statement No. 75 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

In August 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*, which requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreements. The provisions in Statement No. 77 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

In December 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 78, *Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*, which addresses a practice issue regarding the scope and applicability of Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*. The provisions in Statement No. 78 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

In January 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*, which improves financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. The provisions in Statement No. 80 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

In March 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*, which improves accounting and financial reporting for irrevocable split-interest agreements by providing recognition and measurement guidance for situations in which a government is a beneficiary of the agreement. The provisions in Statement No. 81 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

In March 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 82, *Pension Issues - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73*, which addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The provisions in Statement No. 82 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

## MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND

Notes to Financial Statements  
September 30, 2016 and 2015

### (3) Risk Management

The Judiciary Fund is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Judiciary Fund has elected to purchase commercial insurance from independent third parties for the risks of loss to which it is exposed with respect to the use of motor vehicles. For other risks of loss to which it is exposed, the Judiciary Fund has elected not to purchase commercial insurance. Instead, the Judiciary Fund believes it is more economical to manage its risks internally. Claims expenditures and liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated. These losses include an estimate of claims that have been incurred but not reported. No material losses have resulted from the Judiciary Fund's risk management activities for the past years.

### (4) Related Party Transactions

The Judiciary Fund is a governmental fund of RepMar and is thus affiliated with all RepMar-owned and affiliated entities. During the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the Judiciary Fund recognized certain on-behalf payments as contributions from RepMar, totaling \$573,620 and \$585,665, respectively, representing certain payroll and related expenditures that RepMar paid directly on behalf of the Judiciary Fund.

During the years ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the operations of the Judiciary Fund were funded by appropriations from RepMar of \$916,908 and \$943,390, respectively, of which \$343,288 and \$357,725, respectively, represented cash payments received by the Judiciary Fund.

### (5) Contingency

The Judiciary Fund receives a substantial amount of its revenue from annual RepMar appropriations. A significant reduction in the level of budgetary support from RepMar, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the Judiciary Fund's programs and activities. For the year ended September 30, 2017, RepMar appropriated funding to the Judiciary Fund in the amount of \$1,082,859 for the purpose of funding programs and activities of the Judiciary Fund.

**MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND**

Combining Balance Sheet  
September 30, 2016

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Legal Aid</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ 164,499	\$ 150,165	\$ 314,664
Accounts receivable	9,099	-	9,099
	<u>\$ 173,598</u>	<u>\$ 150,165</u>	<u>\$ 323,763</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Liabilities:			
Other liabilities and accruals	\$ 6,803	\$ -	\$ 6,803
Fund balance:			
Committed	166,795	150,165	316,960
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 173,598</u>	<u>\$ 150,165</u>	<u>\$ 323,763</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

**MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND**

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance  
Year Ended September 30, 2016

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Legal Aid</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues:			
Nitijela appropriation	\$ 862,540	\$ 54,368	\$ 916,908
Fines and fees	53,777	14,120	67,897
Interest	934	-	934
Other	<u>34,132</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,132</u>
Total revenues	<u>951,383</u>	<u>68,488</u>	<u>1,019,871</u>
Expenditures:			
Salaries, wages and benefits	573,620	-	573,620
Supplies and materials	119,585	-	119,585
Travel	64,451	-	64,451
Leased housing	56,250	-	56,250
Communications	48,443	-	48,443
Capital outlay	44,801	-	44,801
Utilities	39,870	-	39,870
Professional services	23,931	-	23,931
Repairs and maintenance	8,938	-	8,938
POL	7,967	-	7,967
Miscellaneous	<u>24,284</u>	<u>6,350</u>	<u>30,634</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,012,140</u>	<u>6,350</u>	<u>1,018,490</u>
Net change in fund balance	(60,757)	62,138	1,381
Fund balance at the beginning of the year	<u>227,552</u>	<u>88,027</u>	<u>315,579</u>
Fund balance at the end of the year	<u>\$ 166,795</u>	<u>\$ 150,165</u>	<u>\$ 316,960</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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**

Honorable Carl B. Ingram  
Chief Justice of the High Court  
Republic of the Marshall Islands:

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund, which comprise the balance sheet as of September 30, 2016, and the related statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 3, 2017.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund'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 entity'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.

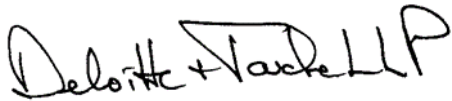
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not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

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund's financial statements are free from 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 results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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May 3, 2017



**MARSHALL ISLANDS JUDICIARY FUND**

Unresolved Prior Year Findings  
Year Ended September 30, 2016

There are no unresolved prior year findings from prior year audits of the Marshall Islands Judiciary Fund.