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By Electronic Mail  
Virginia Regulatory Town Hall

Re: Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services  
6 VAC 20-50, Rules Relating to Compulsory Minimum Training Standards for  
Jailors or Custodial Officers, Courthouse and Courtroom Security Officers  
and Process Service Officers

Dear All:

I have reviewed the Department of Criminal Justice Services' proposed amendments and periodic review of the regulation identified above. In my view, as counsel to the Department, I concur that the Department has legal authority to promulgate regulations pursuant to § 9.1-102 of the Code of Virginia, and, in particular, the Department has legal authority to promulgate the identified regulation pursuant to §§ 9.1-102(7), 9.1-102(8), and 9.1-102(9) of the Code of Virginia.

The regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect. This approval addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the action.

Sincerely,

/s/ Cathie F. Hutchins  
Senior Assistant Attorney General