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AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands Nashville, Tennessee

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands (the "Organization") as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated April 24, 2012, on our consideration of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' internal control over financial reporting and 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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audits.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands taken as a whole. The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and support, revenue, expenses and changes in net assets for LSC funds are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U. S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133 and the Legal Services Corporation ("LSC") Audit Guide and Compliance Supplement and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such 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. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits 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 scheduled of expenditures of federal awards and the schedule of support, revenue, expenses and changes in net assets for LSC funds are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Nashville, Tennessee April 24, 2012

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STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

		2011		2010
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	665,892 3,515,504	\$	786,122 3,204,282 22,977
Accounts receivable		23,827 222,915		269,875
Federal, state and local grants receivable		496,051		474,894
Contributions receivable		74,243		14,148
Prepaid expenses		307,530		319,859
Property and equipment, net		7,048		6,951
Client escrow funds	_	.,,,,,		
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	5,313,010	<u>\$</u>	5,099,108
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$	53,088	\$	55,761
Accrued expenses and other		564,805		541,556
Client escrow deposits		7,048		6,951
TOTAL LIABILITIES		624,941		604,268
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted:		2 276 920		1,987,456
Undesignated		2,276,839 307,530		319,859
Designated for property and equipment		307,330		317,037
Total unrestricted		2,584,369		2,307,315
Temporarily restricted		2,103,700		2,187,525
TOTAL NET ASSETS		4,688,069		4,494,840
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	5,313,010	\$	5,099,108

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	2011								
		TEMPO	TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED						
	UNRESTRICTED	LSC	NON-LSC	TOTAL	TOTAL				
REVENUES AND SUPPORT									
Federal, state and local awards	\$ -	\$ 2,856,421	\$ 2,224,881	\$ 5,081,302	\$ 5,081,302				
Contributions and foundation grants	217,679	475,436	787,994	1,263,430	1,481,109				
Investment income	60,205	-	-	-	60,205				
Attorney fees	62,446	89,054	-	89,054	151,500				
Miscellaneous income	500	-	-	-	500				
Donated services	-	2,940,475	-	2,940,475	2,940,475				
Net assets released from restrictions	9,458,086	(6,361,386)	(3,096,700)	(9,458,086)	-				
TOTAL REVENUES AND SUPPORT	9,798,916		(83,825)	(83,825)	9,715,091				
OPERATING EXPENSES									
Program services	8,389,647	-	-	-	8,389,647				
Supporting services:									
Management and general	949,372	-	-	-	949,372				
Fundraising	182,843			-	182,843				
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	9,521,862			-	9,521,862				
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	277,054	-	(83,825)	(83,825)	193,229				
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,307,315		2,187,525	2,187,525	4,494,840				
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,584,369	<u> </u>	\$ 2,103,700	\$ 2,103,700	\$ 4,688,069				

		2010		
UNRESTRICTED	LSC	NON-LSC	TOTAL_	TOTAL_
\$ -	\$ 2,979,591	\$ 2,213,129	\$ 5,192,720	\$ 5,192,720
369,274	213,783	725,524	939,307	1,308,581
109,540	-	-	-	109,540
2,634	-	-	-	2,634
650	-	a -	-	650
-	2,425,199	-	2,425,199	2,425,199
8,600,725	(5,618,573)	(2,982,152)	(8,600,725)	
9,082,823		(43,499)	(43,499)	9,039,324
7,604,375	-	-	-	7,604,375
868,798	-	-	-	868,798
178,267				178,267
8,651,440				8,651,440
431,383	-	(43,499)	(43,499)	387,884
1,875,932		2,231,024	2,231,024	4,106,956
\$ 2,307,315	<u> </u>	\$ 2,187,525	\$ 2,187,525	\$ 4,494,840

STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	2011						
	P	ROGRAM	MAN	MANAGEMENT			
		SERVICES	AND	GENERAL	FUNDRAISING		TOTAL
PERSONNEL EXPENSES							
Lawyers	\$	2,047,251	\$	159,464	\$ 12,665	\$	2,219,380
Paralegals		446,930		-	-		446,930
Support staff		963,081		293,650	63,239		1,319,970
Employee benefits		661,255		78,469	9,855		749,579
Payroll taxes		244,593		24,009	5,380	_	273,982
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES		4,363,110		555,592	91,139	_	5,009,841
OTHER EXPENSES							
Donated services		2,940,475		-	_		2,940,475
Court costs and litigation		180,726		_	-		180,726
Depreciation		74,259		-	-		74,259
Dues and fees		14,350		3,380			17,730
Equipment rental and maintenance		50,086		26,352	433		76,871
Insurance		15,652		17,475	-		33,127
Occupancy		235,575		111,395	5,034		352,004
Postage		27,079		6,544	8,326		41,949
Printing and publications		99,664		7,923	21,906		129,493
Professional fees and contract services		136,095		136,945	44,544		317,584
Supplies		50,173		28,932	8,779		87,884
Telephone		56,284		30,869	986		88,139
Training		27,292		4,030	415		31,737
Travel		118,827		19,935	1,281		140,043
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TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES		4,026,537		393,780	91,704		4,512,021
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	8,389,647	\$	949,372	\$ 182,843	<u>\$</u>	9,521,862

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

	PROGRAM	MAN	VAGEMENT)10			
	SERVICES	AND	GENERAL	FUN	FUNDRAISING		TOTAL
\$	1,887,262	\$	166,518	\$	20,765	\$	2,074,545
	461,462		-		97		461,559
	942,271		259,965		64,640		1,266,876
	645,658		57,505		11,417		714,580
	242,107		31,614		6,347		280,068
:	4,178,760		515,602		103,266		4,797,628
	2,425,199		-		-		2,425,199
	93,414		6,000		370		99,784
	79,395		-		-		79,395
	22,423		1,937		-		24,360
	37,251		20,463		752		58,466
	29,037		9,796		-		38,833
	225,573		107,123		4,670		337,366
	29,288		8,885		2,144		40,317
	96,102		7,296		16,813		120,211
	116,760		120,504		35,730		272,994
	59,677		21,805		11,180		92,662
	52,387		23,222		1,367		76,976
	32,176		4,655		1,110		37,941
	126,933		21,510		865		149,308
	3,425,615		353,196		75,001		3,853,812
\$	7,604,375	\$	868,798	\$	178,267	\$	8,651,440

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	 2011		2010	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		_		
Change in net assets	\$ 193,229	<u>\$</u>	387,884	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	74,259		79,395	
Donations of property and equipment	(50,370)		-	
Realized and unrealized gains on investments	(528)		(54,192)	
(Increase) decrease in:				
Accounts receivable	(850)		(14,062)	
Federal, state and local grants receivable	46,960		22,789	
Contributions receivable	(21,157)		105,711	
Prepaid expenses	(60,095)		9,645	
Increase (decrease) in:				
Accounts payable	(2,673)		40,229	
Accrued expenses and other	 23,249		20,973	
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	 8,795		210,488	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	 202,024	-	598,372	
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchases of property and equipment	(11,560)		(36,926)	
Purchases of investments	(660,182)		(916,175)	
Proceeds from sale of investments	 349,488		727,680	
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	 (322,254)		(225,421)	
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(120,230)		372,951	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 786,122		413,171	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 665,892	\$	786,122	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands (the "Organization") is a not-for-profit corporation organized to provide legal services for the indigent, the elderly, victims of domestic violence, and otherwise disadvantaged persons. The Organization is supported primarily through grants from Legal Services Corporation ("LSC"), an annual fund-raising campaign, various foundation grants, state and local governments, and local area United Way agencies. The Organization serves 48 counties in Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands.

LSC is a not-for-profit corporation established by the United States Congress in 1974 and located in the District of Columbia. Congress appropriates federal funds annually to LSC which, in turn, makes grants to local organizations that provide legal assistance.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements present the financial position and changes in net assets of the Organization on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

Resources are classified as unrestricted, temporarily restricted and permanently restricted net assets, based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions, as follows:

- Unrestricted net assets are free of donor-imposed restrictions. All revenues, gains and losses that are not temporarily or permanently restricted by donors are included in this classification. All expenditures are reported in the unrestricted class of net assets, since the use of restricted contributions in accordance with the donors' stipulations results in the release of the restriction.
- Temporarily restricted net assets are limited as to use by donor-imposed restrictions that expire with the passage of time or that can be satisfied by use for the specific purpose.
- Permanently restricted net assets are amounts required by donors to be held in perpetuity, including gifts requiring that the principal be invested and the income or specific portions thereof be used for operations. The Organization had no permanently restricted net assets as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Contributions and Support

Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support that increases those net asset classes. When a restriction is fulfilled (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted and reported in the Statement of Activities as net assets released from restrictions.

The Organization also receives grant revenue from federal, state, and local agencies. Grant revenue is recognized in the period a liability is incurred for eligible expenditures under the terms of the grant, except the annual basic field grant from LSC, which is deemed to be a contribution and is reported as such, in accordance with the LSC Accounting Guide for LSC Recipients. Advances received on the basic field grant for a subsequent year are recorded as deferred revenue until the year of the award.

Any gifts of equipment or materials are reported as unrestricted support unless explicit donor restrictions specify how the assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions as to how the assets are to be used or funds restricted for the acquisition of long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Expirations of donor restrictions are recognized when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of demand deposits with banks.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Investments

Investments consist of certificates of deposit (regardless of original maturity), equity securities, fixed income securities and money market funds. Certificates of deposit are valued at cost plus accrued interest and equity and fixed income securities are carried at the quoted market value on the last business day of the reporting period. Interest and dividend income, as well as realized and unrealized gains and losses, are accounted for in accordance with donor restrictions (temporarily restricted) or, in the absence of specific donor restrictions, as unrestricted. The changes in unrealized gains and losses are recognized in the Statement of Activities.

Certificates of deposit as of December 31, 2011, have maturity dates ranging from January through September 2012.

Contributions Receivable

Unconditional promises to give, less an applicable allowance for uncollectible amounts, are recognized as revenues in the period received. Conditional promises to give are not included as support until such time as the conditions are substantially met. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, all contributions receivable were due within one year.

As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, an allowance for uncollectible amounts has not been provided on contributions receivable since, in management's opinion, the receivable amounts are fully collectible, based on past history.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are reported at cost at the date of purchase, at the carrying basis for assets transferred in from merged organizations, or at estimated fair value at date of gift to the Organization. The Organization's policy is to capitalize purchases with a cost of \$1,000 or more and an estimated useful life greater than one year. Depreciation is calculated by the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets (office furniture and computer equipment - 3 to 10 years; buildings and improvements - 10 to 39 years).

Property and equipment acquired with Legal Services Corporation funds are considered to be owned by the Organization. However, LSC has a reversionary interest in the property, as well as the final determination of the use of any proceeds from the sale of those assets.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Donated Services

Donated services are recognized if the services (a) create or enhance non-financial assets; or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills, and would have otherwise been purchased by the Organization. The Organization utilizes donated time from local area attorneys and paralegals who provide legal services to eligible clients. The donated time represents a material contribution to the Organization's operations and is recognized in the financial statements based on average hourly rates for legal services in the respective areas.

A substantial number of unpaid volunteers have contributed their time to the Organization's program and supporting services. The value of this contributed time is not reflected in these statements since it does not meet the criteria noted above.

Program and Supporting Services

The following program and supporting services are included in the accompanying financial statements:

<u>Program Services</u> - includes activities carried out to fulfill the Organization's mission to provide free civil legal services for low-income individuals, the elderly, and victims of domestic violence in 48 counties in Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands. The Organization leverages resources by cooperation and coordination with bar association sponsored pro bono programs and other legal assistance resources. The Organization places a high priority on supporting the integrity, safety, and well-being of family by providing assistance with preserving the home, obtaining housing, maintaining economic stability, preventing domestic violence, obtaining health care, and encouraging family stability.

Supporting Services

Management and General - relates to the overall direction of the Organization. These expenses are not identifiable with a particular program, but are indispensable to the conduct of those activities and are essential to the Organization. Specific activities include organization oversight, business management, recordkeeping, budgeting, financing, and other administrative activities.

<u>Fundraising</u> - includes costs of activities related to obtaining resources, both financial support and donated legal services. These costs include staff time, materials and other related expenses. Activities related to obtaining financial support include the annual fundraising campaign.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Allocation of Functional Expenses

Expenses that can be directly attributed to a particular function are charged to that function. Certain costs have been allocated among more than one program or activity based on objectively evaluated financial and nonfinancial data or reasonable subjective methods determined by management.

Income Taxes

The Organization qualifies as a not-for-profit organization exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Organization files U. S. federal Form 990 for organizations exempt from income tax. The Organization's returns for years prior to fiscal year 2008 are no longer open to examination.

Management performs an evaluation of all income tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the course of preparing the Organization's income tax return to determine whether the income tax positions meet a "more likely than not" standard of being sustained under examination by the applicable taxing authorities. Management has performed its evaluation of all income tax positions taken on all open income tax returns and has determined that there were no positions taken that do not meet the "more likely than not" standard. Accordingly, there were no provisions for income taxes, penalties or interest receivable or payable relating to uncertain income tax positions in the accompanying financial statements.

Use of 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.

Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. These reclassifications have no effect on the change in net assets previously reported.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fair Value Measurements

The Organization classifies its investments measured at fair value based on a hierarchy consisting of: Level 1 (securities valued using quoted prices from active markets for identical assets), Level 2 (securities not traded on an active market but for which observable market inputs are readily available), and Level 3 (securities valued based on significant unobservable inputs).

An asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Investments - equity securities, corporate bonds and collateralized mortgage obligations - Securities for which quotations are readily available in active markets are valued at the most recent quote in the principal market in which such securities are normally traded, and are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. These investments also include securities valued on the basis of information provided by pricing services that employ valuation matrices that may incorporate both broker/dealer-supplied valuations as well as valuation models reflecting such factors as benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, bid/offer data, and other relevant elements, and are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

No changes in the valuation methodologies have been made since the prior year.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Organization believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with that of other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in different fair value measurements at the reporting date.

Events Occurring After Reporting Date

The Organization has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between December 31, 2011 and April 24, 2012, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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NOTE 3 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Organization to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash and cash equivalents, various grants, accounts and contributions receivable, and investments.

The Organization maintains cash balances and certificates of deposit at financial institutions whose accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") up to statutory limits. As of December 31, 2011, the Organization's depositor accounts exceeded FDIC insurance limits by approximately \$999,000 (\$738,000 at December 31, 2010).

Contributions receivable consist of corporate contribution pledges along with United Way receivables. Pledges and receivables from three contributors approximated 53% of total contributions receivable as of December 31, 2011 (58% in 2010). The grant receivables represent concentrations of credit risk to the extent they are receivable from concentrated sources. The Organization receives approximately 42% (45% in 2010) of its revenues, excluding donated services, from Legal Services Corporation. Revenue from one other source was approximately 16% of its revenues, excluding donated services, in 2011 (16% in 2010).

Investments are subject to market risk, the risk inherent in a fluctuating market. The broker/dealer custodians of the Organization's securities are covered by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC"), which provides protection to investors in certain circumstances, such as fraud or failure of the institution. Coverage is limited to \$500,000 per broker/dealer custodian, including up to \$250,000 in cash. The SIPC does not insure against market risk.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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NOTE 4 - INVESTMENTS

Investments consisted of the following at December 31:

		2011		2010
Cash and money market funds Certificates of deposit Equity securities Fixed income securities	\$1	,251,240 911,472 895,134 457,658	\$1	,284,553 537,710 941,932 440,087
	<u>\$3</u>	,515,504	<u>\$3</u>	3,204,282
A summary of investment income follows for the years ended	Dec	ember 31:		2010
Interest and dividend income Realized gains (losses) on investments Unrealized gains on investments	\$	59,677 58 470	\$	55,348 (49,073) 103,265
Total investment income	\$	60,205	<u>\$</u>	109,540

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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NOTE 5 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis consisted of the following at December 31:

	2011								
		Level 1 Level		Level 2	el 2 Level		vel 3 To		
Investments:									
Fixed income securities:									
Corporate bonds - domestic	\$	-	\$	457,658	\$	-	\$	457,658	
Equity securities:									
Common stock - domestic									
Basic materials		90,694		-		-		90,694	
Consumer and industrial goods		150,457		-		-		150,457	
Financial		45,780		-		-		45,780	
Healthcare		106,618		-		-		106,618	
Services		223,260		-		-		223,260	
Technology		52,222		-		-		52,222	
Utilities		44,000		-		-		44,000	
Other		32,238		-		-		32,238	
Foreign stock		58,874		-		-		58,874	
Mutual funds									
International - large value		41,844		-		-		41,844	
Small cap		20,490		-		-		20,490	
Diversified emerging markets		28,657	_		_			28,657	
Total investments at fair value	\$	895,134	<u>\$</u>	457,658	\$	-	\$ 1	1,352,792	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 5 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

	2010							
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Investments:								
Fixed income securities:								
Collateralized mortgage obligations	\$	-	\$	49,275	\$	-	\$	49,275
Corporate bonds - domestic		-		390,812		-		390,812
Equity securities:								
Common stock - domestic								
Basic materials		98,621		-		-		98,621
Consumer and industrial goods		124,548		-		-		124,548
Financial		48,066		-		-		48,066
Healthcare		87,566		-		-		87,566
Services		248,359		-		-		248,359
Technology		81,519		-		-		81,519
Utilities		35,620		-		-		35,620
Other		43,896		-		-		43,896
Foreign stock		77,415		-		-		77,415
Mutual funds								
International - large value		51,708		-		-		51,708
Small cap		20,541		-		-		20,541
Diversified emerging markets		24,073		=	-			24,073
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$</u>	941,932	<u>\$</u>	440,087	<u>\$</u>	-	\$	1,382,019

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 6 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

				2010		
Land	\$	83,000	\$	83,000		
Buildings and improvements		479,582		479,582		
Office furniture and computer equipment		440,866		378,936		
		1,003,448		941,518		
Less accumulated depreciation		(695,918)		(621,659)		
	<u>\$</u>	307,530	<u>\$</u>	319,859		

During 2011, the Organization entered into a purchase agreement for a case management software system of approximately \$120,000. The purchase agreement includes the software license, maintenance and support for a year, custom data conversion and training. Approximately, \$76,000 of this amount will be capitalized once the software system is in service. At December 31, 2011, the Organization had paid approximately \$60,000 as a down payment, which is reported in prepaid expenses on the Statement of Financial Position. In addition, the Organization obtained \$104,000 in temporarily restricted foundation grants to be used for this purchase. Approximately \$44,000 of unspent funds is included in temporarily restricted net assets with purpose restrictions at December 31, 2011.

NOTE 7 - TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets consisted of the following at December 31:

	 2011		2010
Contributions and receivables - time restriction	\$ 513,928	\$	490,307
Contributions and receivables - purpose restriction:			
Loewenstein chair	1,430,199		1,510,987
Other	92,168		119,571
United Way receivable - time restriction	 67,405		66,660
	\$ 2,103,700	<u>\$</u>	2,187,525

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 8 - DONATED SERVICES

Donated services consisted of the following for the years ended December 31:

		2011			2010	
			Value of Donated			Value of Donated
	Rate	Hours	Services	Rate	Hours	Services
Attorneys	\$175 - \$225	13,204	\$2,756,050	\$175 - \$225	10,309	\$2,226,613
Paralegals	\$ 75	960	72,000	\$ 75	1,344	100,800
Law clerk/students	\$10 - \$14	7,625	86,691	\$10 - \$14	5,403	62,334
Other services			25,734			35,452
Total donated services	i .		\$2,940,475			\$2,425,199

NOTE 9 - LEASES

The Organization leases its office space under various cancelable and non-cancelable operating leases with monthly rental payments ranging from \$650 to \$4,670 (excluding the Nashville office lease).

The Organization's Nashville office is leased under a ten-year non-cancelable operating lease that expires in 2013. The lease provides for annual scheduled rent increases and includes two 5-year renewal options. The Organization is also responsible for basic operating expenses, to be adjusted annually. Rent expense is recognized on the straight-line basis over the initial term of the lease. In addition, the Organization subleases a portion of this space to another not-for-profit agency at the same terms. Rent payments from the sublessee are reported on the straight-line basis as a reduction of rent expense. The excess of rent expense recognized, net of sublease income, over the amount paid and received is included in accrued expenses.

The Organization also leases certain office equipment under a non-cancelable operating lease expiring September 2016.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 9 - LEASES (CONTINUED)

A summary of aggregate future lease commitments for office space and office equipment as of December 31, 2011, follows:

			Of	fice Space			_E	quipment												
	M	Iinimum					N	/linimum		Total										
For the year ending		Lease	5	Sublease	1	Net Lease		Lease	1	Net Lease										
December 31,	Cor	mmitments	Income		Income		Income		Income		Income		Income Commitments		Commitments		Commitments		Commitments	
2012	\$	267,116	\$	34,635	\$	232,481	\$	26,999	\$	259,480										
2013		148,196		11,660		136,536		26,999		163,535										
2014		87,041		-		87,041		26,999		114,040										
2015		86,762		-		86,762		26,999		113,761										
2016		32,020		_		32,020		20,249		52,269										
	\$	621,135	<u>\$</u>	46,295	<u>\$</u>	574,840	\$	128,245	<u>\$</u>	703,085										

Total rental expense recognized under all such agreements for the years ended December 31, 2011 amounted to approximately \$274,000 (\$266,000 in 2010), net of sublease income, for office space, and approximately \$50,000 for year ended December 31, 2011 (\$52,000 for 2010) for office equipment.

NOTE 10 - RETIREMENT PLAN

The Organization's eligible employees are covered under a 401(k) retirement plan. At the discretion of the Board, contributions to the plan are made by the Organization on behalf of all eligible employees based on their compensation. Total retirement plan expense of the Organization amounted to \$180,994 in 2011 (\$174,939 in 2010).

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

NOTE 11 - FUNDRAISING EXPENSES

Fundraising expenses are comprised of the following for the years ended December 31:

	2011			2010
Annual fundraising campaign Recruiting volunteer attorneys Obtaining other financial resources	\$	149,274 19,339 14,230	\$	159,115 8,674 10,478
1	<u>\$</u>	182,843	\$	178,267

NOTE 12 - ALLOCATION OF MATCHING FUNDS

The Organization receives the following grants which require matching funds: Greater Nashville Regional Council (Title III of the Older Americans Act Grant), the South Central Tennessee Development District Area Agency on Aging and Disability (Title III of the Older Americans Act Grants), the Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services (Grier), the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration (VOCA and STOP Grants), and the U.S. Department of Treasury (Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic Grant). In 2010, the Organization also received a grant which required matching funds from the Tennessee Department of Human Services (Food Stamp Education Grant). The Organization is required to match 10% of the Title III Grants and TALS Grier, 20% of the VOCA Grant, 25% of the STOP Grant, and 50% of the Food Stamp Education Grant and the Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic Grant earned during the year. For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, these matches amounted to \$243,827 and \$277,960, respectively.

NOTE 13 - DONOR-DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUNDS IN TRUST

Two donor-designated endowment funds have been established with the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee for the benefit of the Organization. The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee has the ultimate authority and control over the funds and, therefore, these assets are not included in the financial statements of the Organization. Income distributed to the Organization is recognized in the year received. During 2011, the Organization received one distribution in the amount of \$4,900 (\$4,500 received in 2010). Total assets held in these funds amounted to \$126,575 and \$122,754 at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.



SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Program Name	Federal CFDA Number	Contract Number	Award Period		Award Amount	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 12/31/2010	Receipts_	Expenditures	_Other_	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 12/31/2011
LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION										
Basic Field Grant	09.643040 (1)	N/A	1/01/11 - 12/31/11	\$	2,856,421	\$	\$ 2,856,421	\$ 2,856,421	<u> -</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION							2,856,421	2,856,421		
US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE										
PASSED THROUGH TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES:										
Food Stamp Education Program	10.561	GR-10-29680-00	10/01/10 - 9/30/11	\$	73,648	4,859	4,859			
TOTAL US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE						4,859	4,859			-
US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT										
PASSED THROUGH WEST TENNESSEE LEGAL SERVICES:										
Housing Counseling Assistance Program	14.169	N/A	10/01/10 - 9/30/11	\$	65,000	17,483	65,000	48,977	(1,460)	*
Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Private Enforcement Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Private Enforcement	14.408 14.408	FH700G08048 FH700G08048	3/01/09 - 2/28/10 3/01/10 - 2/28/11	\$ \$	38,906	3,888	3,888	_	-	-
Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Private Enforcement	14.408	FH700G08048 FH700G08048	3/01/10 - 2/28/11	\$	38,906 38,906	11,794	12,997 5,486	1,282 10,933	(36)	43 5,447
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH WEST TENNESSEE LEGAL SERVICES						33,165	87,371	61,192	(1,496)	5,490
TOTAL US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND										
URBAN DEVELOPMENT						33,165	87,371	61,192	(1,496)	5,490
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE										
PASSED THROUGH TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:										
ARRA - Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Murfreesboro) ARRA - Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Columbia)	16.803 - ARRA 16.803 - ARRA	3516 3554	7/01/09 - 6/30/11	\$	56,000	2,333	16,333	14,000	-	-
ARRA - STOP Violence Against Women (Columbia)	16.588 - ARRA	3554 3786	7/01/09 - 6/30/11 7/01/09 - 6/30/11	\$ \$	56,000 57,110	2,409 2,596	15,959 12,783	13,550 10,187	-	-
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) (Clarksville)	16.575	3968	7/01/09 - 6/30/12	\$	177,801	5,048	53,486	53,602	-	5,164
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) (Columbia and Tullahoma)	16.575	3969	7/01/09 - 6/30/12	\$	157,467	4,273	49,970	49,736	-	4,039
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) (Nashville)	16.575	3970	7/01/09 - 6/30/12	\$	174,309	4,533	58,139	58,119	•	4,513
STOP Violence Against Women (Tullahoma and Columbia) STOP Violence Against Women (Nashville)	16.588 16.588	4158 4205	7/01/09 - 6/30/12 7/01/09 - 6/30/12	\$ \$	146,217 67,308	3,159 1,687	43,520 20,252	44,667 20,088	-	4,306 1,523
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TOTAL PASSED THROUGH TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION						26,038	270,442	263,949		19,545

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Program Name	Federal CFDA Number	Contract Number	Award Period	Award Amount	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 12/31/2010	Receipts	Expenditures	Other	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 12/31/2011
PASSED THROUGH OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN									
Legal Assistance for Victims Program	16.013	2008-WL-AX-0021	10/01/08 - 9/30/12	\$ 950,000	\$ 20,765	\$ 234,095	\$ 231,998	<u>\$</u>	\$ 18,668
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN					20,765	234,095	231,998		18,668
TOTAL US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE					46,803	504,537	495,947		38,213
US DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY									
Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic Grant Program Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic Grant Program	21.008 21.008	2009137 2010135	1/01/10 - 12/31/10 1/01/11 - 12/31/11		30,113	30,113 86,629	95,000	-	8,371
TOTAL US DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY					30,113	116,742	95,000	-	8,371
US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES									
PASSED THROUGH THE GREATER NASHVILLE REGIONAL COUNCIL:									
Legal Assistance - Title III Priority	93.044	2010-07	7/01/10 - 6/30/11	\$ 40,800	6,222	26,922	20,700		-
Legal Assistance - Title III Priority	93.044	2010-07	7/01/11 - 6/30/12	\$ 40,800		13,473	20,178		6,705
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH THE GREATER NASHVILLE REGIONAL COUNCIL					6,222	40,395	40,878		6,705
PASSED THROUGH THE SOUTH CENTRAL TENNESSEE DEVELOPMENT DIS AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND DISABILITY	TRICT								
Legal Assistance - Title III Priority Legal Assistance - Title III Priority	93.044 93.044	N/A N/A	7/01/10 - 6/30/11 7/01/11 - 6/30/12	\$ 36,500 \$ 36,500		17,800 18,200	17,800 18,200		<u> </u>
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH THE SOUTH CENTRAL TENNESSEE DEVELOPM AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND DISABILITY	ENT DISTRICT				-	36,000	36,000		

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Program Name	Federal CFDA Number	Contract Number	Award Period	Award Amount	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 12/31/2010	Receipts	Expenditures	Other	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 12/31/2011
PASSED THROUGH TENNESSEE ALLIANCE FOR LEGAL SERVICES	-								
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - SSI Representation Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - SSI Representation Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - SSI Representation	93.558 93.558 93.558	N/A N/A N/A	7/01/09 - 6/30/10 7/01/10 - 6/30/11 7/01/11 - 6/30/12	N/A N/A N/A	\$ 26,438 54,791	\$ 26,438 118,099	\$ - 135,930 43,543	\$ - - -	\$ - 72,622 43,543
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH TENNESSEE ALLIANCE FOR LEGAL SERVICES TOTAL US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					81,229 87,451	144,537 220,932	179,473 256,351		116,165 122,870
TOTAL OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS					\$ 202,391	\$ 3,790,862	\$ 3,764,911	\$ (1,496)	\$ 174,944

(1) Considered a major program under OMB Circular A-133.

NOTE 1 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the grant activity of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands, and is presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which is the same basis of accounting as the basic financial statements. This schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and the Legal Services Corporation Audit Guide.

Summary of expenditures by CFDA number

09.643040	\$ 2,856,421
14.169	48,977
14.408	12,215
16.013	231,998
16.575	161,457
16.588	64,755
16.588 - ARRA	10,187
16.803 - ARRA	27,550
21.008	95,000
93.044	76,878
93.558	179,473
Total	\$ 3,764,911

SCHEDULE OF SUPPORT, REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR LSC FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Basic Field Grant	Private Attorney Involvement	Total
SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Grants and contracts - LSC	\$ 2,565,952	\$ 290,469	\$ 2,856,421
Contributions and foundation grants	264,185	211,251	475,436
Attorney fees	59,072	29,982	89,054
Donated services		2,940,475	2,940,475
Total support and revenue	2,889,209	3,472,177	6,361,386
PERSONNEL EXPENSES			
Lawyers	691,810	210,756	902,566
Paralegals	109,807	41,945	151,752
Support staff	685,678	119,339	805,017
Employee benefits	471,123	35,216	506,339
Payroll taxes	93,209	27,371	120,580
Total personnel expenses	2,051,627	434,627	2,486,254
OTHER EXPENSES			
Donated services	-	2,940,475	2,940,475
Court costs and litigation	58,500	5,351	63,851
Dues and fees	2,585	512	3,097
Equipment rental and maintenance	59,365	1,600	60,965
Insurance	29,947	750	30,697
Occupancy	252,458	12,477	264,935
Postage	22,682	3,200	25,882
Printing and publications	58,075	2,624	60,699
Professional fees and contract services	112,585	60,835	173,420
Supplies	50,596	3,506	54,102
Telephone	70,057	3,622	73,679
Training	19,734	1,260	20,994
Travel	92,038	1,338	93,376
Total other expenses	828,622	3,037,550	3,866,172
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,880,249	3,472,177	6,352,426
SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	8,960	-	8,960
OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS Acquisition of equipment	(8,960)	-	(8,960)
•			
TOTAL CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	-	-	-
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR			
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>





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

Board of Directors Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands Nashville, Tennessee

We have audited the financial statements of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands (the "Organization") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated April 24, 2012. 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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 Organization's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting.

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 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.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' financial statements are free of 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*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to the management of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands in a separate letter dated April 24, 2012.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, others within the Organization and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

GRAHCPAS PLLC

Nashville, Tennessee April 24, 2012



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS THAT COULD HAVE A DIRECT AND MATERIAL EFFECT ON EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133 AND THE LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION AUDIT GUIDE AND COMPLIANCE SUPPLEMENT

Board of Directors Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands Nashville, Tennessee

Compliance

We have audited Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' (the "Organization") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* and the Legal Services Corporation (LSC) *Audit Guide and Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Organization's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2011. Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditors' results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations and the LSC Audit Guide and Compliance Supplement. Those standards, OMB Circular A-133 and the LSC Audit Guide require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2011-1. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands' response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the Organization's response, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, others within the Organization and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

STANCPAS PLLC

Nashville, Tennessee April 24, 2012

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued:	Unqualified	
Internal control over financial reporting:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	yes	X no
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes	X none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes	X no
<u>Federal Awards</u>		
Internal control over major programs:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	yes	Xno
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Xyes	no
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unqualified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133?	yes	Xno
Identification of major programs:		
CFDA Number(s) Name of Federal Program or Cluste	<u>er</u>	
09.643040 Legal Services Corporation	Basic Field Grant	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:	\$300,000	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	yes	Xno

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

Prior Year - None reported

Current Year - None reported

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Prior year - None reported

Current Year:

2011-1 Internal Control Over Accounting for Attorney Fees Received

Legal Services Corporation (LSC) - Basic Field Grant CFDA 09.643040

Criteria

In accordance with the LSC *Accounting Guide for Recipients*, Section 2-2.6 Court-Awarded Attorney Fees, attorneys' fees received by a recipient for representation supported in whole or in part with LSC funds shall be allocated to the fund in which the recipient's LSC grant is recorded in the same proportion that the LSC funds expended bears to the total amount expended to support the representation.

Condition

The trial balance provided to the auditors at the beginning of the audit contained attorney fees of approximately \$150,000, recorded entirely as non-LSC revenue in the Organization's general ledger. Upon further review, the salaries of attorneys who represented the clients whose cases resulted in court awarded attorney fees were charged in part to the LSC basic field grant, along with other litigation expenses incurred.

Questioned costs

None

Context

As part of performing compliance work outlined in the Compliance Supplement for Audits of LSC Recipients, Section 1642, three cases were identified that resulted in court awarded attorney fees during the year ended December 31, 2011. Two of the three cases were represented in part using funds from LSC.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs (continued)

2011-1 Internal Control Over Accounting for Attorney Fees Received (continued)

Effect

At the request of the auditors, Organization recalculated the portion of the attorney fees received that should be allocated to the LSC program, resulting in a reclassification of approximately \$89,000 of LSC income from attorney fees and approximately \$30,000 of additional LSC private attorney involvement (PAI) expenses. These amounts have been properly reflected in the required Schedule of Support, Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets for LSC Funds in the financial statements. Actual LSC expenses in excess of the Basic Field Grant and LSC related attorney fees received was approximately \$475,000, which was funded from the Organization's other contributions and foundation grants.

Cause

In prior years, the Organization had received very few (if any) attorney fees from court awarded settlements and therefore had not instituted a policy to determine the source of the original representation. The Organization has historically had significantly more LSC-eligible expenses than the Basic Field Grant award.

Recommendation

We recommend the Organization institute a policy to determine the source of funding for representation that results in court awarded attorney fees and ensures that the funds received are accounted for consistently with the guidance in the LSC *Accounting Guide for Recipients*.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions

Legal Aid Society attorneys will notify the Operations Manager of potentially fee generating cases as defined by the LSC regulation. The Operations Manager will keep a file of these cases. If the case generates attorney fees, the Operations Manager will research the case to see what funds were used to pay for the case. The Operations Manager will notify the Accountant of the fee generating case and what funds were used. If the case was funded in whole or in part with LSC funds, the Accountant will record the proper entry in the accounting system in accordance with the LSC Accounting Guide for Recipients, Section 2-2.6 Court Awarded Fees.