



An tSeirbhís Chúirteanna
Courts Service

Ms Margaret Falsey
Committee Secretariat
Committee of Public Accounts
Leinster House
Dublin 2

Dear Ms Falsey,

28th August 2017

I refer to your letter of the 2nd August 2017 on behalf of the Public Accounts Committee for further information in relation to matters raised during the course of the Committee's examination of the Courts Service Appropriation Account Vote 22 on 13th July, 2017.

I am attaching as requested :

- a statistical note on the District Court waiting times
- a note on the contract with Curran Communications Limited
- a breakdown of the €5,631,000 spent on training and incidental expenses

The request for a note on the provision of legislation to give oversight of Wards of Court investment decisions to the C&AG has been forwarded to the Department of Justice & Equality which has responsibility in this matter. The Courts Service has always indicated in discussions with the Department that it supports this recommendation and has provided draft legislation in this matter.

If you have any queries or require any additional material please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Brendan Ryan
Chief Executive