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Delaware General Assembly
411 Legislative Avenue
Dover, Delaware 19901

RE: Delaware Manufactured Home Owner Attorney Fund

Members of the Delaware General Assembly:

In accordance with 25 *Del. C.* § 7046(d), the Department of Justice shall file an annual report with the General Assembly providing information for the Delaware Manufactured Home Owner Attorney Fund.

As of June 30, 2020, the amount in the Attorney Fund was \$28,268.32. As this is a new fund that needed to be established and a Request for Proposals needed to be published and subsequently reviewed, the amount that was spent in the previous year was \$0.00. The number of cases the contracted attorney worked on in the previous year and the number of manufactured homeowners who were represented by the contracted attorney in the previous year were both zero.

The Request for Proposal for Legal Services for Manufactured Home Owners ("RFP") was publicly filed on June 10, 2020, with a deadline for receipt of proposals on July 19, 2020. On August 28, 2020, the Department of Justice notified Community Legal Aid Society, Inc. ("CLASI") that it has been selected to begin the contract negotiation process. That process is nearing completion, and the Department of Justice and CLASI anticipate that the negotiation will be successful and the program will be up and running by December 2020.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brian Eng

Brian Eng
Manufactured Housing Ombudsman

cc: Alexander Mackler, Chief Deputy Attorney General
Robert Coupe, Chief of Staff
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