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Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Judiciary Retirement System

Financial Statements for the Year's Ended June 30, 2000 and 1999, Additional Information for the Year Ended June 30, 2000 and Independent Auditors' Report



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Judiciary Retirement System:

We have audited the accompanying statement of plan net assets of The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Judiciary Retirement System (the "System") as of June 30, 2000 and the related statement of changes in plan net assets for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the System's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of the System for the year ended June 30, 1999 were audited by other auditors whose report, dated December 10, 1999, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such 2000 financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the 2000 plan net assets of The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Judiciary Retirement System as of June 30, 2000, and the changes in its plan net assets for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic 2000 financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information included in the schedules of funding progress and of contributions is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. This additional information is the responsibility of the System's management. Such information included in the schedules of funding progress as of June 30, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995 and 1994, and of employer contributions for each of the years then ended was subjected to auditing procedures by other auditors whose report dated December 10, 1999 referred to above, stated that such information is fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic 1999 financial statements taken as a whole.

December 22, 2000

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STATEMENTS OF PLAN NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2000 AND 1999 (In Thousands)

ASSETS	2000	1999
CASH AND INVESTMENTS: Cash and cash equivalents Cash deposited with Government Development Bank	S 1,036©	\$ 1,635
for Puerto Rico	2,988②	1,787
Total cash	4,024	3.422
Marketable securities: Notes and bonds Stocks	19,901© 60,103©	18,549 53,853
Total marketable securities	80,004	72,402
Mortgage notes acquired from third parties	70\$	136
Total cash and investments	84,098	75.960
LOANS TO PLAN MEMBERS:	000	
Mortgage	200	28
Personal	190 [©] 53©	153 63
Cultural trips	263	244
Total loans to plan members	-	
Total cash, investments and loans to plan members	84,361	76,204
RECEIVABLES: Accrued interest	325©	317
Investment sales Other	477 🕝	101 580
	802	998
Total receivables		-
Total assets	85,163	77,202
LIABILITIES		
DUE TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO	1,751	3,100
ESCROW FUNDS TO PLAN MEMBERS AND GUARANTEE INSURANCE RESERVE FOR LOANS TO PLAN MEMBERS	142①	121
INVESTMENT PURCHASES	413③	72
OTHER LIABILITIES	491	2
Total liabilities	2,355	3,295
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS (see accompanying Schedule of Funding Progress)	\$82,808	\$73,907

See notes to financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN PLAN NET ASSETS YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2000 AND 1999 (In Thousands)

()	2000	1999
ADDITIONS:	•	
Contributions:	\$ 5,222	\$ 5,744
Employer Participating employees	2,094	2,115
Total contributions	7,316	7,859
Investment income:	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	
Net appreciation in investments reported at fair value	9,299	5,557
Dividend income	303	398
Interest income	1,473	1,534
Total	11,075	7,489
Less investment expense	413	447
Net investment income	10,662	7,042
Total additions	17,978	14,901
DEDUCTIONS:		
Annuities	7,705	7,099
Administrative expenses	1,372	1,074
Total deductions	9,077	8,173
Net increase	8,901	6,728
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS:		
Beginning of year	73,907	67,179
End of year	\$82,808	\$73,907
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See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2000 AND 1999

1. ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization - The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Judiciary Retirement System (the "System") was created by Act No.12 on October 19, 1954. The System is considered an integral part of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth") financial reporting entity and is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements as a trust fund. The System, as a governmental retirement plan, is excluded from the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

The responsibility for the operation and administration of the System is vested in a Board of Trustees, composed of two participating employees and one pensioner, who are appointed by the Governor of the Commonwealth and four Commonwealth government agency representatives.

The System is not an employer. The System's operations are managed by the Employees' Retirement System of the Government of Puerto Rico and its Instrumentalities (ERS). ERS allocations of administration costs to the System amounted to approximately \$1,372,000 and \$1,074,000 for the years ended June 30, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

The following are the significant accounting policies followed by the System in the preparation of its financial statements:

Basis of Presentation - The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards No. 25 (SGAS No. 25), "Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Note Disclosures for Defined Contribution Plans". Participating employees' and employer's contributions are recognized as revenues in the period in which the employee services are rendered. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets held in trust for pension benefits, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of additions and deductions to net assets held in trust for pension benefits during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - Cash and cash equivalents consist of "overnight deposits" guaranteed by the custodial bank.

Investments - Investments are carried at fair value, except for certain mortgage notes which have no readily determinable fair value. The fair value of notes, bonds and stocks is based on quotations obtained from national securities exchanges. Securities transactions are accounted for on the trade date.

Mortgages acquired from third parties are held to maturity and are not readily marketable. Consequently, these are carried at amortized cost.

No investment in any organization represents 5% or more of the System's net assets held in trust for pension benefits.

Loans to Plan Members - Mortgage, personal and cultural trip loans to plan members are stated at their outstanding principal balance. No allowance for uncollectible amounts has been established since loans to plan members are secured by mortgage deeds, participants' contributions and any unrestricted amount remaining in the escrow funds. Maximum amounts that may be granted to plan members for mortgage, personal and cultural trip loans are \$100,000, \$3,000 and \$5,000, respectively. The carrying value of these loans approximates their fair value.

During fiscal 1998, the System sold mortgage loans with a principal balance of approximately \$241,400 to Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) at a gain of approximately \$8,800. The sale contract stipulates that the System must repurchase any loans with payments in arrears over 90 days. As of June 30, 2000 and 1999, the System had not repurchased any loans.

Guarantee Insurance Reserve - Premiums collected and benefits claimed are recorded as additions and deductions of the guarantee insurance reserve, respectively.

Reclassifications - Certain reclassifications were made to the 1999 financial statements to conform them with the 2000 presentation.

2. PLAN DESCRIPTION

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The System is a single-employer defined benefit plan sponsored by the Commonwealth. Under the terms of the Act No.12 of 1954, as amended, all judges of the Judiciary Branch of the Commonwealth are plan members of the System. At June 30, 2000 and 1999, membership consisted of the following:

	2000	1999
Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	269	248
Current participating employees	343	355

The plan members of the System are eligible for the following benefits:

Retirement Annuity - Plan members with 10 years of credited service are eligible for retirement upon reaching 60 years of age.

Plan members are eligible for monthly benefit payments determined by the application of stipulated benefit ratios to the plan member's average compensation. Average compensation is computed based on the last three years of service (effective July 28, 1993, highest monthly salary), except for the judges of the Supreme Court for whom it is based on the last month of compensation. The annuity for which a plan member is eligible is limited to a minimum of 25% and a maximum of 75% of the average compensation except for the judges of the Supreme Court for whom the annuity is limited to a minimum of 50% and a maximum of 100% of the average compensation.

Reversionary Annuity - A plan member, upon retirement, could elect to receive a reduced retirement annuity giving one or more benefit payments to his/her dependents. The payments would start after the death of the retiree, for an amount not less than \$120 yearly nor greater than the annuity payments being received by the retiree.

Occupational Disability Annuity - A participating employee, who as a direct result of the performance of his/her occupation is totally and permanently disabled is eligible for a disability annuity of 50% of the compensation received at the time of the disability.

Nonoccupational Disability Annuity - A participating employee totally and permanently disabled for causes not related to his/her occupation, and with no less than 10 years of credited service, is eligible for an annuity of 30% of the average compensation of the first 10 years of credited services increased by 1% for every additional year of credited service in excess of 10 years up to a maximum of 50% of the average compensation.

Death Benefits:

Occupational:

- Surviving spouse annuity equal to 50% of the participating employee's salary at the date of the death.
- Children \$10 per month for each child, minor or student, up to a maximum benefit per family of 75% of the participating employee's salary at the date of the death. If no spouse survives or dies while receiving the annuity payments, each child, 18 or under, is eligible to receive an annuity of \$20 per month up to the attainment of 18 years of age or the completion of his/her studies.

Nonoccupational:

- Beneficiary ineligible for survivor benefit the contributions and interest accumulated as of the date
 of the death plus an amount equal to the annual compensation at the time of the death.
- Surviving spouse and child, 21 or under up to 60% of the pension that would have been payable
 had the participating employee retired on the date of death.

Post-retirement:

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Beneficiary - with surviving spouse and child, 21 or under, up to 60% of retiree's pension or
otherwise the excess, if any, of the accumulated contributions at the time of retirement over the total
annuity benefits received before death, limited to a minimum of \$500.

. Refunds - A participating employee who ceases his/her employment with the Commonwealth without right to a retirement annuity has the right to a refund of the contributions to the System plus any interest earned thereon.

Amendments to Benefits Payable to Plan Members Effective January 1, 1999 - Act No. 177 of 1997 provides, effective January 1, 1999, for increases of 3%, every three years, of the pensions paid by the System to those plan members with three or more years of retirement.

Termination - Although the Commonwealth has not expressed any intent to terminate the plan, it may do so at any time. In the event of termination of the plan, the rights of all affected plan members and beneficiaries to whom benefits have accrued under the plan shall be nonforfeitable to the extent funded.

3. FUNDING POLICY

The contribution requirement to the System is established by law and is not actuarially determined. Required contributions consist of 20% of applicable payroll for the employer and 8% for the participating employees. Commonwealth contributions should ultimately cover any deficiency between the participating employees' contributions and the System's pension benefit obligations and administrative costs.

Calculations of the present value of benefits under the System were made by consulting actuaries as of June 30, 1999 and 1998, using the projected unit credit actuarial cost method. Significant assumptions underlying the actuarial computations include: (a) assumed rate of return on investments of 8.5%, (b) assumed compound rate of wage increases of 5%; and (c) assumed mortality rate based on the Group Annuity Table for 1951.

The actuarial accrued liability was \$118,200,000 and \$95,600,000 as of June 30, 1999 and 1998, respectively. At June 30, 1999 and 1998, the unfunded actuarial accrued liability was approximately \$44,300,000 and \$28,400,000, respectively.

4. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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Pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 46 of 1988, the System may invest, with certain restrictions, in obligations of the Commonwealth and its Instrumentalities, the United States of America, private corporations and foreign countries. In addition, the System may invest in common and preferred stock, in income-producing real properties and in high-risk securities.

Cash and cash equivalents are guaranteed by the custodial bank. Cash deposited with Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico amounting to approximately \$2,988,000 and \$1,787,000 as of June 30, 2000 and 1999, respectively, is not collateralized.

The following table shows the cost and fair value of the investments in marketable securities held by the System as of June 30, 2000 and 1999. The following investments are held by agents in the System's name:

	2000		1999	
	Cost	Fair Value (In The	Cost ousands)	Fair Value
U.S. Government and agencies' securities Corporate bonds Domestic corporate stocks International corporate stocks Preferred stocks	\$ 13,979 6,611 38,756 8,815	\$ 13,731 6,170 51,038 9,065	\$ 13,403 5,668 31,683 6,084 11	\$13,160 5,389 46,530 7,314 9
Total	\$68,161	\$ 80,004	\$ 56.849	572,402

5. GUARANTEE INSURANCE RESERVE OVER LOANS TO PLAN MEMBERS

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The System provides life insurance that guarantees the payment of the outstanding principal balance of mortgage, personal and cultural trip loans in case of death of a plan member. This coverage is paid in its entirety by the plan members who obtain these loans from the System. The life insurance rates are actuarially determined, and do not vary by age, sex or health status.

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SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

Year Ended	. Annual Required		Percentage	
June 30,	Contribution	Contributions	Contributed	
1999	\$4,500		176%	
1998	2,800	6,100	218	
1997	1,900	5,900	311	
1996	2,400	5,500	229	
1995	2,700	4,600	170	
1994	2,600	4,300	165	

See notes to schedules of trend information.

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS (Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Plan Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL)	Funded Ratio	Annual Covered Payroll	UUAL as a Percentage of Annual Covered Payroll
7/1/1999	\$73,900	\$118,200	\$44,300	63%	\$26,300	168%
7/1/1998	67,200	95,600	28,400	70	18,000	158
7/1/1997	57,300	76,500	19,200	75	18,000	107
7/1/1996	50,000	63,100	13,100	79	16,600	79
7/1/1995	42,100	60,800	18,700	69	15,800	118
7/1/1994	35,600	58,900	23,300	60	12,600	185

See notes to schedules of trend information.

NOTES TO SCHEDULES OF TREND INFORMATION

1. SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS

The Schedule of Funding Progress provides information about the funded status of the System and the progress being made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due.

2. SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

The Schedule of Contributions provides information about the annual required contributions (ARC) and the extent to which contributions made cover the ARC. The ARC is the annual required contribution for the year calculated in accordance with certain parameters, which include actuarial methods and assumptions.

The System's Schedule of Contributions includes both Commonwealth's and participating employees' contributions as the Commonwealth contributions, ultimately, should cover any deficiency between the participating employees' contributions, the pension benefits and the Systems' administration costs.

3. ACTUARIAL DATA

The information presented in the required supplementary schedules was determined as part of the actuarial valuations at the dates indicated. Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows:

Valuation Date

July 1, 1999

Actuarial Cost Method

Projected unit credit cost method

Amortization Method

Level percentage of the projected payroll

Remaining Amortization Period

27 years

Asset Valuation Method

Market value

Actuarial Assumptions:

Investment rate of return*

8.5%

Projected salary increases*

5%

Cost of living adjustment

3%, every three years

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^{*}Includes inflation at 3.5%