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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 1999

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September 7, 1999

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Options, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of

OPTIONS, INC. (a nonprofit organization)

as of June 30, 1999, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Option, Inc.'s management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I 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. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Options, Inc. as of June 30, 1999, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, I have also issued my report dated September 7, 1999, on my consideration of Options, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of Options, Inc. taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Also, the Schedule of Functional Expenses on Page 15 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

James M. Campbell CPA, LAC

OPTIONS, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 1999

<u>ASSETS</u>

<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash	\$ 411,949
Investments	50,122
Accounts receivable	329,868
Prepaid expenses	2,297
Deposits	6,000
Land	112,733
Building and improvements	536,667
Furniture and fixtures	276,790
Vehicles	516,116
Less: accumulated depreciation	(763,866
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,478,676</u>
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LIABILITIES AND NET	ASSETS
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	49,464
Escrow account payable	108
Cafeteria plan payable	23,775
Compensated absences payable	25,763
Accrued salaries	51,607
Other payables	43,051
Notes payable	120,282
Total Liabilities	
TOCAT DIADITICIES	314,050
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted net assets:	
Operations	1,164,626
Total Net Assets	1,164,626
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	A 4 4 7 A
DIVIDITATIO VIND NET WOOFID	\$ 1,478,676

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

OPTIONS, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

PUBLIC SUPPORT Contributions	\$ 62,469
GOVERNMENT GRANTS State grants and Title XIX	2,329,312
OTHER REVENUE Program service fees Contract work Interest income Other income	195,000 337,878 10,510 2,420
Total Other Revenue	545,808
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT, GOVERNMENT GRANTS, AND OTHER REVENUE EXPENSES Program Services: Supervised apartments Habilitation Program Residential programs Respite care Personal care	2,937,589 392,254 865,956 1,048,359 68,286 282,823
Crisis intervention	10,311
Total Program Services	2,667,989
SUPPORTING SERVICES Management and general	10,188
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,678,177
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	259,412
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	905,214
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,164,626

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

OPTIONS, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Excess (deficiency) of support and revenue over expenses		
(Change in net assets) Adjustment to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	259,412
Depreciation and amortization (Increase) decrease in:		93,649
Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses Increase (decrease) in:		(97,192) 9,762
Accounts payable Escrow account payable Cafeteria plan payable Compensated absences payable Accrued salaries		(59,884) (17,210) 8,258 33
Other payables		51,607 (<u>32,251</u>)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		216,184
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Sale of investment securities Purchases of property and equipment		25,224 (102,080)
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		<u>(76,856</u>)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Payments of notes payable	a	(<u>37,157</u>)
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(37,157)
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:	\$	102,171
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR:	<u></u>	309,778 411,949
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION Interest expense	<u>\$</u>	9,735

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

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

Options, Inc. (Options) is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide needed services for people with mental retardation and development disabilities. These services include adult supervised living and supported employment programs in Hammond, Louisiana and the surrounding parishes of Tangipahoa and Livingston.

B. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

C. INCOME TAXES

Options is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and therefore has made no provision for federal income taxes in the accompanying financial statements. In addition, Options has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service not to be a "private foundation" within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. There was no unrelated business income for 1999.

D. FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefitted.

E. CONTRIBUTIONS

Donations of property and equipment are recorded as support at their estimated fair value. All 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 temporary restriction expires, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (CONTINUED)

- F. <u>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</u>
 Options, Inc. considers all highly liquid investments available for current use with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.
- Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are measured at fair value in the balance sheet as required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 124, "Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-For-Profit Organizations."
- H. <u>ESTIMATES</u>
 The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.
- Options receives its grant and contract support primarily from the State Department of Health and Hospitals and other State Agencies (see Note 3: Summary of Grants/Contracts Funding). Support received from those grants and contracts is recognized when it is earned. Options receives client fees, Medicaid income, and Medicare income for billable client services and recognizes these fees and income when earned.
- NOTE 2: FIXED ASSETS
 Fixed assets acquired by Options are considered to be owned by the Organization. However, State funding sources may maintain equitable interest in the property purchased with grant monies as well as the right to determine the use of any proceeds from the sale of these assets. The State has a reversionary interest in those assets purchased with its funds which have a cost of \$500 or more, and an estimated useful life of at least one year.

Options follows the practice of capitalizing, at cost, all expenditures for fixed assets in excess of \$500.

NOTE 2: FIXED ASSETS, (CONTINUED)

Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the useful lives of the assets generally as follows:

Estimated Useful Life		
Furniture & Equipment	5-12	years
Leasehold Improvements	8-40	years
Transportation Equipment	5	years
Buildings	31	years

Depreciation expense of \$93,649, which includes capital lease amortization, was deducted at June 30, 1999.

NOTE 3: SUMMARY OF STATE CONTRACT FUNDING

	Conti	ract	Total	Recognized
Funding Source	Number	<u>Period</u>	<u>Contract</u>	Support
State Dept. of		7/1/98-	•	
Health & Hospitals	65052	6/30/99	\$321,382	\$ 321,382
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State Dept. of		7/1/98-		
Health & Hospitals	65039	6/30/99	59,007	56,327
State Dept. of		7/1/98-		
Health & Hospitals	64688	6/30/99	10,000	8,306
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State Dept. of	•	7/1/98-		
Health & Hospitals	62706	6/30/99	15,000	13,090
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Total Contracts				<u>\$ 399,105</u>

NOTE 4: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Receivables at June 30, 1999, are summarized below. Options anticipates that all receivables will be collected and no provision for uncollectible receivables has been provided.

Due from State of Louisiana, Department of Health and Hospitals, and Title XIX and Title XIX Waiver:

Programs:

Habilitation Services	\$ 22,997
Other Services	56,575
Supervised Apartment	54,992

NOTE 4: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (CONTINUED)

Residential -	"Our House	25,377
Residential -	"Fortenberry House"	26,705
Residential -	"Alpha House"	28,573
Residential -	"La Casa"	35,254

Due from private sector:

Contract work	74,994
Other receivables	4,401
	\$329,868
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NOTE 5: ACCRUED VACATION/LEAVE - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Options' employees earn paid vacation after successful completion of three months of initial period of employment.

Vacation and leave accrue at various rates depending upon length of service and hours worked per month, as follows:

EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	ACCRUAL RATE
40 hour employees	6.67 to 14 hours per month Maximum 168 hours
35-39 hour employees	5.80 to 12.25 hours per month Maximum 147 hours
30-34 hour employees	5 to 10.5 hours per month Maximum 126 hours

The leave policy for the year ending June 30, 1999 permitted employees to carryover five days of leave to the following year. Accrued leave at June 30, 1999 was \$25,763.

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT

Notes payable consist of the following:

Note payable to Deposit Guaranty Bank, due in monthly installments of \$2,398.05 including interest at 7.5%. The note is secured by: first mortgage on real estate located at Illinois and Easy Street; second mortgage on a house located at General

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT, (CONTINUED)

Pershing; first mortgage on a office building located in Industrial Park; and first mortgage on a house located on North Oak St., Hammond, Louisiana.

10,797

Note payable to Elvia P. Jackman, due in monthly installments of \$1,023.00 including interest at 8%, collateralized by a house located at North General Pershing, Hammond, Louisiana.

41,668

Note payable to Deposit Guaranty Bank, due in monthly installments of \$1,027.19 including interest at 8%, collateralized by a first mortgage on a house and land located on General Ott Road, Hammond, Louisiana.

67,817 120,282

Less current maturities

<u>(21,806</u>) \$ 98,476

Principle maturities of debt are as follows:

2000	21,806
2001	11,924
2002	12,913
2003	13,985
2004	15,146
thereafter	44,508
	\$120,282

NOTE 7: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Options receives a substantial portion of its revenues from government grants and contracts, all of which are subject to audit by the federal or state government. The ultimate determination of amounts received under these programs generally is based upon allowable costs reported to, and audited by, the government. Until such audits have been completed and final settlement reached, there exists a contingency to refund any amount received in excess of allowable costs.

NOTE 7: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES, (CONTINUED)

Management is not aware of any pending audits or proposed adjustments, and no provision for estimated retroactive adjustments has been made.

Options is subject to certain claims and litigation. In the opinion of management, the outcome of such matters will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Organization.

NOTE 8: PENSION PLAN

Employees of the Organization may participate in a 403 (b) savings plan, whereby the employees may elect to make contributions pursuant to a salary reduction agreement upon meeting age and length-of-service requirements. Employees may elect to defer a portion of their annual salary subject to Internal Revenue Service limits. The Organization matches up to 2% of the employees' annual salary. Employer contributions for the year ended June 30, 1999, totaled \$11,292.

The Organization has a "Section 125" employee benefits plan, which is also referred to as a "Cafeteria" plan.

NOTE 9: CAFETERIA PLAN

The Organization contributes an amount based on length of service. Employees can use this employer contribution for term life insurance, health insurance, dependent care and medical expenses. Employees can contribute additional amounts to this plan on a pre-tax basis. A new employee has a six month waiting period before he or she becomes eligible to participate in the Cafeteria plan. Employer contributions for the year ended June 30, 1999, totaled \$92,623.

NOTE 10: CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Options maintains several bank accounts at several banks. Accounts at each institution are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$100,000. Cash at one of these institutions exceeded Federally insured limits. The amount in excess of the FDIC limit totaled \$102,943 as of June 30, 1999.

NOTE 11: FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments:

<u>Cash and cash equivalents</u> - Fair value approximates carrying value due to the initial maturities of the instruments being three months or less.

<u>Investments</u> - Fair value approximates carrying value because the investment is in an indexed fund.

<u>Notes payable</u> - Fair value approximates carrying value because stated rates are similar to rates currently available to Options for debt with similar terms and remaining maturities.

The estimated fair values of Options' financial instruments at June 30, 1999, are as follows:

	Carrying <u>Amount</u>	Fair <u>Value</u>
Financial Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$411,949	\$411,949
Investments	50,122	50,122
Financial liabilities:	•	
Notes payable	120,282	120,282

NOTE #12: YEAR 2000 ISSUE

The year 2000 issue is the result of shortcomings in many electrical data processing systems and other related equipment that may adversely effect operations in the year 1999 and beyond. Many programs (if not corrected) will not be able to distinguish between the year 2000 and the year 1900. Options, Inc. has obtained the latest computer equipment and accounting software currently available because of this potential problem.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

OPTIONS, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

	SUPERVISED APARTMENTS	HABILITATION PROGRAM	RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS	RESPITE CARE	
	\$ 189,967	\$ 496,674	\$ 402,818	\$ 36,430	
Salaries	φ 105,50.		•		
Payroll taxes and fringe benefits	26,457	68,439	<u>55,517</u>	4,885	
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Total Salaries &			. 450 225	/1 21E	
Related Expenses	216,424	<u>565,113</u>	458,335	41,315	
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Building-maintenance &	372	2,553	17,082		
repairs			83,867		
Bed tax	152,411	106,971	203,972	24,727	
Central office overhead	132,444		3,648		
Client allowance			• , • - •		
Consultants: physicians,	510	2,105	80,109	2	
therapists, etc.		34,735	00,202		
Cost of client employment	•	264	790		
Equipment		204	750		
Fundraising	0 001	40 110	24,767	237	
Insurance	2,771	40,118			
Interest	· •	728	8,890		
License and membership		377	2,480	12	
Miscellaneous	108	2,472	6,123	12	
Office supplies, printing					
& copying	605	1,604	2,160		
Personal needs, food &			50 35C		
linen		58	52,756	•	
Postage	182	123	5 5 5 6		
Recreational and training	915	251	6,792		
Supplies	179	4,323	16,650		
Telephone	670	1,182	3,784		
Training, in service	2,009	3,994	255		
Travel and seminars	4,608	10,762	1,890		
Utilities	98	1,188	23,520		
Vehicle-gas, oil &					
	4,792	58,265	16,489	<u> 56</u>	
repairs			<u></u>		
Total Expenses					
Before Depreciatio	n 386,654	837,186	1,014,365	68,286	
			•		
Depreciation of buildings	3			^	
& equipment	5,600	<u> 28,770</u>	33,994		
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Total Expenses	\$ 392,254	<u>\$ 865,956</u>	\$1,048,359	\$ 68,2 <u>86</u>	

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CRISIS INTERVENTION	PERSONAL CARE	TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	SUPPORTING SERVICES	TOTAL 6/30/98
\$ (170)	\$ 153,818	\$ 1,279,537	\$	\$ 1,279,537
. (74)	21,453	176,677		176,677
(244)	<u>175,271</u>	1,456,214		1,456,214
	104,856	20,007 83,867 592,937 3,648		20,007 83,867 592,937 3,648
10,508		93,234 34,735 1,054	75	93,309 34,735 1,054
(3)	99 5 50	68,885 9,618 2,957 8,715	8,124 227	8,124 68,885 9,618 2,957 8,942
		4,369	12	4,381
50	1,650	52,814 311 7,958 21,153 5,636 6,258 20,847 24,806	1,670	52,814 311 7,958 21,153 5,636 7,928 20,927 24,806
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		79,602		79,602
10,311	282,823	2,599,625	10,188	2,609,813
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\$ 10,311	\$ 282,823	\$ 2,667,989	<u>\$ 10,188</u>	\$ 2,678,177

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OPTIONS, INCORPORATED SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL/STATE AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	CFDA OR OTHER NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER	DISBURSEMENTS/ EXPENDITURES
Department of Health and Hospitals Office for Citizens with Development Disabilities	<u>al</u>		
Supported Living		OCDD# 000062 DHH#: 065039 DOA#: 340-900491	\$ 56,327
Vocational and Habilitative Serv	rices	OCDD# 0000052 DHH#: 65052 DOA#: 340-900484	321,382*
Total Other DHH Awards			21,396
Total			\$ 399,10 <u>5</u>

*Major Program

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September 7, 1999

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Options, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of Options, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of and for the year ended June 30, 1999, and have issued my report thereon dated September 7, 1999. I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Option, Inc.'s financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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 my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Options, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (CONCLUDED)

course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization, and federal awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Board of Directors Options, Inc. Hammond, Louisiana

Compliance

I have audited the compliance of Options, Inc. with the types of compliance requirements described in the <u>U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement</u> that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 1999. Option Inc.'s major federal/state programs are identified in the Schedule of Federal/State Awards on page number 16. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Option Inc.'s management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on Option Inc.'s compliance based on my audit.

I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that I 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 Options, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. My audit does not provide a legal determination on Option, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements.

In my opinion, Options, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 1999.

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133 (CONCLUDED)

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Options, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing my audit, I considered Option Inc.'s internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

My consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization, and federal awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James M. Campbell CA. APC

OPTIONS, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1999

SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of Options, Inc.
- No reportable conditions were disclosed during the audit of the financial statements.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Options, Inc. were disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No reportable conditions were disclosed during the audit of the major federal award programs.
- 5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for Options, Inc. expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal award programs.
- 6. No audit findings relative to the major federal award programs for Options, Inc. are reported.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs included: Vocational and Habilitative Services- 340-900484.
- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
- 9. Options, Inc. was determined to be a low-risk auditee.