



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Finance Subcommittee on Litigation Minutes
(recessed and reconvened meeting on 3/23/2016)**

Tuesday, March 22, 2016

**11:00 AM Cook County Building, Board Room, Rm 569
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

Also Present: Commissioners Daley, Moore, Morrison, and Steele; Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Kent Ray, Chief, General Litigation and Advice Division, Civil Action Bureau; Patricia M. Fallon, Special State's Attorney; Kevin Fry, Special State's Attorney Jennifer Purcell, Cook County Health & Hospitals; Paul Casteony Special State's Attorney; Lisa Mador Special State's Attorney; Nicolas Scouffas, County Sheriff's Office

Court Reporter: Anthony W. Lisanti, C.S.R.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

There were no public speakers

16-2218

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of /1/13/2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Committee Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORTS

Conflicts Counsel Unit Report, December 28, 2015 – February 29, 2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that the Case Disposition Summary Reports be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

Torts and Civil Rights Litigation Section, January 25, 2016 – February 22, 2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that the Case Disposition Summary Reports be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

3/22/2016 - Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to convene to Executive Session. The motion carried.

3/22/2016 - Commissioner Suffredin seconded by Commissioner Boykin, moved to return to Regular Session. The motion carried.

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3/23/2016 - Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, moved to convene to Executive Session. The motion carried.

3/23/2016 - Commissioner Suffredin seconded by Commissioner Boykin, moved to return to Regular Session. The motion carried.

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

16-2126

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Deputy Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

Department: State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

Request: Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Case Name: Billie Jean Ammons v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.

Case Number: 13 C 8817

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that this Litigation Pending be recommended for deferral to 3/23/2016. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

On 3/23/2106 a motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

16-2127

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Deputy Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

Department: State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

Request: Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Case Name: Billie Jean Ammons v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.

Case Number: 14-3676

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that this Litigation Pending be recommended for deferral to 3/23/2016. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

On 3/23/2106 a motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

16-2148

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Deputy Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

Department: State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

Request: Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Case Name: State Farm v. O'Brien, et al.

Case Number: 15 M1 13540

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

16-2042

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Deputy Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

Department: State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

Request: Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Case Name: Monica Kogan v. Cook County, et al.

Case Number: 15 C 5368

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

14-1134

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Deputy Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

Department: State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

Request: Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Case Name: Justin Washington v. Cook County

Case Number: 13 C 7715

Legislative History: 2/19/14 Board of Commissioners referred to the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Legislative History: 2/11/15 Finance Subcommittee on recommended for receiving and filing Litigation

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

For Informational Purposes Only

Brown v. Earl Dunlap and the Office of the Transitional Administrator

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that the Case Disposition Summary Reports be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

Shakman v. Cook County

Shakman v. Cook County Assessor's Office

Shakman v. Cook County Recorder's Office

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that the Case Disposition Summary Reports be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney and authorize invoice payments for special counsels (Tabs #1 through #9 in Volume 2) which are in compliance with the County's Attorney-Fee Guidelines. The motion carried.

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (6)

Absent: Vice Chairman Fritchey (1)

Tab #1 Special State's Attorney Patricia C. Bobb & the Law Offices of Patricia C. Bobb & Associates, PC
Terrill Swift v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No: 12 L 12995

Michael Saunders v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No: 12 CV 09158
Vincent Thames v. City of Chicago, et al
Case No: 12 CV 09170

Tab #2 Special State's Attorney Matthew R Henderson and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
Alberto Martinez, et al. v. City of Chicago, et al.
Case No: 09 C 5938

Tab #3 Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC
United States of America, et al. v. Triad Isotopes, Inc., et al.
Case No: 11 C 8098

Tab #4 Special State's Attorney Steven Puiszis and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
Level Assessment Litigation
Case No: 2004 Tax Obj. No. 05 COTO 3938
2005 Tax Obj. No. 07 COTO 1618
2006 Tax Obj. No. 07 COTO 0779
2007 Tax Obj. No. 08 COTO 5700
2008 Tax Obj. No. 09 COTO 6258

Tab #5 Special State's Attorney Steven Puiszis and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
Cook County Board of Ethics v. Joseph Berrios
Case No: 14 CH 4951

Tab #6 Special State's Attorney Mark Lura and the firm of Anderson, Rasor & Partners, LLP
Hernandez v. John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital, et al..
Case No: 09 C 5938

Tab #7 Special State's Attorney Terrence F. Guolee and the Firm of Querrey & Harrow, Ltd.
Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Department, et al.
Case No: 07 C 855

Tab #8 Special State's Attorney Paul O'Grady & the firm of Peterson Johnson & Murray Chicago, LLC
Hudson v. Preckwinkle, et al.
Case No. 13 C 8752

Tab #9 Special State's Attorney Paul O'Grady & the firm of Peterson Johnson & Murray Chicago, LLC
United States of America v. Cook County, et al.
Case No. 10 C 2946

Tab #10 Special State's Attorney Robert Shannon and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
Chatman v. City of Chicago, et al.
Case No: 14 C 2945

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, that this committee was adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Absent: Commissioners Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioner Schneider (2)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

*The transcript for this meeting is available in the Office of the Secretary to the Board, 118 North Clark Street, Room 436, Chicago, IL 60602.