



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Minutes of the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation**

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

11:05 AM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Present: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Silvestri asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code.

No public speakers

[20-4316](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 7/28/2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 20-4316. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4201](#)

Presented by: VELISHA HADDOX, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Human Resources

Report Title: Bureau of Human Resources Labor Division Settlement Report for the month ending August 31, 2020

Report Period: Labor Division Settlement Report for the month ending August 31, 2020

Summary: The Bureau of Human Resources respectfully submits for your review the Bureau of Human Resources Labor Division Settlement Report for the month ending 8/31/2020.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 20-4201. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4263](#)

SPECIAL STATE’S ATTORNEY’S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

DeLeon Reyes v. Rey Guevara, et al.

Case No. 18 C 1028

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State’s Attorney Elizabeth A. Ekl and the firm of Reiter Burns, LLP.

Tab Item No. 1

Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8085

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Howard, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8146

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State’s Attorney Christina M. Egan and the firm of McGuire Woods, LLP.

Tab Item No. 2

Price v. Evans, et al.

Case No. 17 C 1259

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney John C. Coyne and the Law
Offices of John C. Coyne

Tab Item No. 3

Maysonet v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 2342

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney John C. Coyne and
the firm of Law Offices of John C. Coyne.

Tab Item No. 4

Barnes, Toriano v. Thomas J. Dart

Case No. 19 CH 6674

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 5

Beauchamp, Marquis v. Thomas Dart.

Case No. 19 CH 8869

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 6

Beltran, David F. v. Thomas J. Dart

Case No. 19 CH 9268

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 7

Lee, Flint v. Thomas J. Dart

Case No. 19 C 30

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 8

Goodwill, Brian v. Sheriff of Cook County

Case No. 19 CH 838

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 9

Kolnicki, Ronald v. Thomas J. Dart

Case No. 19 CH 7711

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 10

Rolling, Bridgett v. Thomas J. Dart

Case No. 19 CH 8870

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 11

Shaffer v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15653

Jackson v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 14378

Garrett-Williams v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 19 CH 840

Bridges v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15535

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Garrett-Williams v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 19 CH 840

Jackson v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 14378

Shaffer v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15653

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 12

Sheppard, David v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case No. 18 L 6939

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 13

Shyne, Martenia v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case No. 19 CH 2193

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 14

Squeo, Anthony v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case No. 18 CH 12385

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 15

Stewart Title Guaranty Company v. Nicholas Grapsas, et al.

Case No. 2015 L 4520 and 2012 P 3203

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John H. Scheid, Jr. and the firm of Pretzel & Stouffer, Chartered.

Tab Item No. 16

Hartison v. Sheriff of Cook County

Case No. 18 L 3398

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 17

Patricia Hicks v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.

Jasmin McBride and Lorenzo Smith v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.

Case No. 15 C 6852 and 17 C 4951

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 18

Dorothy Holmes, et al. v. Officer George Hernandez, et al.

Case No. 14 C 8536

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Eileen E. Rosen and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 19

Johnson v. Brown, et al., 17 C 6249

Johnson v. Taylor, et al., 18 C 5263

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 20

Lukasik, et al. v. Thomas Nortman, et al., 18 L 10893

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 21

Percy Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.

Case No. 13 C 1856, 13 C 6512, 15 C 5919

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 22

Alstory Simon v. Northwestern University, et al., 15 C 1433

Paul Ciolino v. Alvarez, et al., 18 L 000044

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Eileen E. Rosen and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 23

Strickland v. Dart, et al.

Case No: 19 C 2621

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 24

Zaborowski, et al. v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case No. 08 C 6946

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

Tab Item No. 25

Mays v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 20 C 2134

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney James M. Lydon and the firm of Hinshaw & Culberton, LLP.

Tab Item No. 26

Sopron v. Cassidy, et al.

Case No. 19 C 8254

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney James M. Lydon and the firm of Hinshaw & Culberton, LLP.

Tab Item No. 27

Percy, Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.

Case No. 13 C 1856, 15 C 5919

Case No. 14 L 6617

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney James M. Lydon and the firm of Hinshaw & Culberton, LLP.

Tab Item No. 28

Brown v. Dart, et al., 18 L 12632

Reyes v. Dart, et al., 18 L 12511

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

Tab Item No. 29

Consolino v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 17 C 9011

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

Tab Item No. 30

Tate v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 18 CH 2749

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for

Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

Tab Item No. 31

Sopron v. Cassidy, et al.

Case No. 19 C 8254

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Richard Gleason and the firm of O'Mara Gleason O'Callaghan, LLC

Tab Item A

In Re. Mauricio Araujo, Circuit Judge, Circuit court of Cook County

Case No. 19-CC-1

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney William B. Oberts and the firm of Tribler Orpett & Meyer, P.C.

Tab Item B

Gray v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 2624

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Kenneth M. Battle and the firm of O'Connor & Battle, LLP.

Tab Item C

Velez v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 8144

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Kenneth M. Battle and the firm of O'Connor & Battle, LLP.

Tab Item D

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 20-4263. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to convene executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

The Committee met in executive session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to reconvene regular session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4264](#)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Conflicts Counsel Unit

October 27, 2019 - August 29, 2020

Civil Rights Section

July 20, 2020 - September 9, 2020

Labor and Employment Section

July 20, 2020 - September 9, 2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to receive and file 20-4264. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4265](#)

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: *Thomas v. Dart, et al.*

Case Number: 16 C 4832

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 20-4265. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4266](#)

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: *Albert Dean (Estate of Ella Minor) v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 17 L 010112

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 20-4266. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4270](#)

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: *Dept. of Revenue v. Costco Wholesale Corporation*

Case Number: OT 190053

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 20-4270. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4271](#)

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: *Loizon v. Evans*

Case Number: 18 C 2759

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 20-4271. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-4272](#)

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: Report on Outside Counsel Invoices

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to receive and file 20-4272. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

20-4273

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: Appointment of Outside Counsel

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to receive and file 20-4273. The motion carried by the following vote:

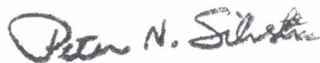
Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

ADJOURNMENT


A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

A complete record of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>.