



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Minutes of the Finance Committee**

**9:30 AM**

**Wednesday, January 15, 2025**

**Cook County Building, Board Room,  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to allow for remote participation in meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Commissioners: Daley, Lowry, Anaya, Britton, McCaskill, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps and Trevor (11)

**Absent:** Commissioners Aguilar, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, and Moore (5)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

No public speakers.

**25-0860**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 12/18/2024.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve 25-0860. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

## COURT ORDERS

25-0699

### REPORT

**Department:** Office of the Chief Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County

**Report Title:** Report of Legal and Expert Witness Fees and Expenses Processed for Payment

**Report Period:** December 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024

**Summary:** This report includes court orders for the payment of fees and associated expenses to attorneys and experts for legal services provided on behalf of indigent litigants. The orders have been processed by the Office of the Chief Judge and submitted to the Cook County Comptroller's Office for payment during this period.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-0699. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

## SPECIAL COURT CASES

25-0813

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini LLC

Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 97 CR 20768-04

Date of This Order: 12/19/2024

Time period: 10/22/2024 - 12/18/2024

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$15,606.25

Paid to Date: \$155,496.00

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**25-0814**

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC  
Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy  
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 88 CR 05696-01  
Date of This Order: 12/19/2024  
Time period: 10/22/2024 - 12/09/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$13,999.40  
Paid to Date: \$33,197.75  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve the SPECIAL COURT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

### **SPECIAL CRIMINAL COURT CASES**

**NOTE: There are no cases of the above item type to be approved for this meeting.**

### **PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

**25-0697**

Case: Harris v. Zuley, et al.  
Case No: 23-cv-14220  
Settlement Amount: \$3,000,000.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 499 (Public Safety)  
Payable to: Jermaine Harris and Loevy and Loevy Attorneys at Law  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 10/23/2024  
Subject matter: Allegations of a civil rights violation.

**25-0671**

Case: Calabrese, Frank v. Cook County Board of Review  
Case No: 24 C 5372  
Settlement Amount: \$180,000.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1050 - Board of Review  
Payable to: Frank Calabrese (\$125,495); Custardo Law, LLC (\$54,505)  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 10/23/2024  
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

**25-0232**

Case: Henriquez, Alexis v. Mendez, et al.  
Case No: 21 C 6081  
Settlement Amount: \$175,000.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections  
Payable to: Alexis Henriquez and the Law Offices of David S. Lipschultz, Inc.  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 12/18/2024  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**25-0248**

Case: Winfield, Rickey v. Brumfield  
Case No: 22 C 3025  
Settlement Amount: \$500.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections  
Payable to: Rickey Winfield, Sr. (20150802027)  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**25-0655**

Case: Bradley v. Dart, et al.  
Case No: 20 CV 5122  
Settlement Amount: \$10,001.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections  
Payable to: Henderson Parks LLC  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**25-0619**

Case: Tovar, Cesar v. Norwood, Ashley et al  
Case No: 23 C 2644  
Settlement Amount: \$2,900.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 4240 - Cermak Health Services of Cook County  
Payable to: Cesar A. Tovar  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**25-0363**

Case: Williams, Vonsean v. Cozzi; Williams, Vonsean v. Dart  
Case No: 23 C 1572; 23 C 1574  
Settlement Amount: \$3,500.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections  
Payable to: Vonsean Keuntae Williams  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve the PROPOSED SETTLEMENT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

**Present:** Commissioner: Britton voted present on item 25-0671(1)

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENTS/DECISIONS REPORTS**

**25-0711**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Civil Actions Bureau

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Payments Following Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Litigated Settlements & Awards

**Report Period:** November 8, 2024 through December 31, 2024

**Summary:** Authorization to Pay Workers' Compensation Settlements & Awards

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for approval 25-0711. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

### **WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS**

**25-0740**

**Presented by:** DEANNA ZALAS, Director, Department of Risk Management

#### **REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Claim Payments

**Report Period:** 12/01/2024 - 12/31/2024

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month ending December 2024. Payments total \$631,497.20

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve 25-0740. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

## CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS

25-0764

### REPORT

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Receive and File - Subrogation Claim Recoveries

**Report Period:** The month ending December

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information, a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending 12/31/2024 - Total Recovery: **\$7,383.31** - Number of Recoveries: **3**

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for approval 25-0764. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

## COMPTROLLERS

25-0869

### REPORT

**Department:** Comptroller

**Report Title:** Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report

**Report Period:** Twelve-month period ended November 30, 2024

**Summary:** Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report for the twelve-month period ended November 30, 2024, for the Corporate, Public Safety, Health, Grants and Special Purpose funds of Cook County. The report presents estimates of revenues and expenses expected to occur during the fiscal period compared to actual revenues and expenses recorded.

**A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-0869. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

## HEALTH & HOSPITAL

25-0873

### REPORT

**Department:** COOK COUNTY HEALTH

**Report Title:** CCH MONTHLY REPORT

**Report Period:** January 2025

**Summary:** This report is provided in accordance with Resolution 14-4311 approved by the County Board on 7/23/14.

**A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-0873. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

## ADJOURNMENT

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

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, McCaskill, Miller, Morita, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Moore (1)

**Excused Absence:** Commissioner: K. Morrison (1)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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



**FINANCE MEETING OF JANUARY 15, 2025  
TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING**

**SPECIAL COURT CASES**

**SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO PRESENT:           \$198,088.50**

**SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED:   \$29,605.65**

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO PRESEN       \$5,869,649.51**

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED:   \$3,371,901.00**