



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

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

11:05 AM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Present: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson - Excused (1)

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

[21-1120](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 12/15/2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to approve 21-1120. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1078](#)

SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

Brown v. Cook County, et al.

Case No. 17 C 8085

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Michael W. Condon and the firm
of Hervas, Condon & Bersani, P.C.

Tab Item No. 1

A.F. Moore v. Joseph Berrios, et al.

Case No. 18 C 4888

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Katherine G. Schnake and
the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 2

County of Cook v. HSBC North America Holdings, Inc., et al.

Case No. 14 C 2031

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Katherine G. Schnake and
the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 3

In Re: Level Assessment Litigation

Case Nos. 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

Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Katherine G. Schnake and the
firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 4

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 & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 5

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 & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 6

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 & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 7

Stephanie Zugschwert v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.

Case No. 17 L 10368

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

Tab Item No. 8

Barnett v. Alvarez, et al.

Case No. 18 C 7946

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. 9

Johnson v. Cade, et al.

Case No. 16 C 144

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. 10

Armando Serrano v. City of Chicago, et al. and
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Case No. 17 C 2869 and 17 C 4560

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for

Special State's Attorney Paula S. Quist and the firm of Jones Day.

Tab Item No. 11

Chari Hunt v. Raymond Hall

Case No: 19 L 7185

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Darin M. Williams and the firm of Laner Muchin, LTD.

Tab Item No. 12

Sheppard v. Dart, et al.

Case No: 18 L 6939

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Kevin W. Frey and the firm of Laner Muchin, LTD.

Tab Item No. 13

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. 14

Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8085 - (Data Breach)

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

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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. 15

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 No. 16

Prince 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 No. 17

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 No. 18

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. 19

Castro, et al. v. Dart, et al.

Case No: 19 C 0471

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

Fields v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 19 C 2680

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

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. 22

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. 23

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. 24

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. 25

Nevest v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 998

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 No. 26

Fulton v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 17 C 8696

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 No. 27

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 21-1078. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1079](#)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Civil Rights Section

December 4, 2020 - January 18, 2021

Labor and Employment Section

December 4, 2020 - January 18, 2021

Municipal Litigation

January 15, 2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-1079. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

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, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

The Committee met in Executive Session

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

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1080](#)

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: *Wayne Walker, et al. v. Cook County, Aiman Tulaimat, MD, et al.*

Case Number: 17 L 8582

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-1080. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1081](#)

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: *Omega Medical Imaging, LLC v. County of Cook*

Case Number: 19 C 4323

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-1081. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1085](#)

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: *Goral, et al. v. Dart, et al.*

Case Number: 125085

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-1085. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1089](#)

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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-1089. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

[21-1093](#)

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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-1093. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, S. Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Johnson (1)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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