



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

**Wednesday, July 20, 2022**

**11:05 AM**

**Virtual meeting**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1) - Excused

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

No speakers

[22-4523](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 6/14/2022

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to approve 22-4523. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-2935](#)

**Presented by:** PATRICK M. BLANCHARD, Inspector General

**REPORT**

**Department:** Office of the Independent Inspector General

**Report Title:** Independent Inspector General Quarterly Report, 1st Quarter 2022

**Report Period:** January 1, 2022 - March 31, 2022

**Summary:** This report was written in accordance with Section 2-287 of the Independent Inspector General Ordinance, Cook County, Ill., Ordinances 07-O-52 (2007) (“OIIG Ordinance”), to apprise the President and the County Board of the activities of this office during the time period beginning January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022. It is being placed on the County Board meeting agenda for receipt and file or referral to the Litigation Committee pursuant to a recent amendment to Section 2-287 of the OIIG Ordinance.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-2935. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4461](#)

#### **CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT**

Conflict Counsel Unit

September 26, 2021 - May 31, 2022

Affirmative and Complex Litigation Section

July 1, 2022 - July 11, 2022

Civil Rights Section

May 31, 2022 - July 6, 2022

Medical Litigation Section

April 26, 2022 - July 6, 2022

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-4461. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

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

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

Committee met in executive session

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

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4465](#)

**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:** *Krause, Mark and Sally Krause v. Cook County*

**Case Number:** 15 L 5985

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4465. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4469](#)

**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:** *Estate of Lukasik, et al. v. Sheriff, et al.*

**Case Number:** 18 L 10893

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4469. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4473](#)

**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:** *Flowers (Est. Shania and Baby Girl Williams) v. Cook County*

**Case Number:** 20 L 1317

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4473. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4477](#)

**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:** *Kumcheva v. Cook County*

Case Number: 19 L 4193

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4477. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Britton (1)

[22-4481](#)

**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:** *Polk v. Cook County*

Case Number: 17 L 10027

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4481. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Britton (1)

[22-4485](#)

**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:** *Taylor, Sandra v. Cook County*

Case Number: 21 L 4852

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4485. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4489](#)

**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:** *Prelitigation Settlement for Services Furnished by MoonLab Productions*

**Case Number:** N/A

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 22-4489. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4490](#)

**REPORT**

**Department:** Civil Actions Bureau

**Report Title:** Outside Counsel Invoices

**Report Period:** 06/08/2022 - 07/13/2022

**Summary:** Special State's Attorneys' and Special Assistant State's Attorneys' Invoices for Approval

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to approve 22-4490. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4491](#)

**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:** Authority to Appoint Outside Counsel in Excess of \$290.00

**Case Number:** N/A

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to approve 22-4491. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

[22-4495](#)

**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 Suffredin, to receive and file 22-4495. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Absent:** Britton (1)

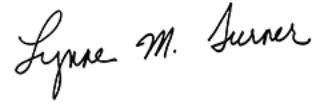
**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairman



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Secretary

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