



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

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

10:00 AM

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

Issued on: 10/16/2025

ATTENDANCE

Present: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

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

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

1) George Blakemore - Concerned Citizen

[25-4098](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 9/17/2025

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve
25-4098. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (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: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

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

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-3412](#)

Presented by: TIRRELL PAXTON, Inspector General

REPORT

Department: Office of the Independent Inspector General

Report Title: Independent Inspector General Quarterly Report, 2nd Quarter 2025

Report Period: April 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025

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 4/1/2025 through 6/30/2025. It is being placed on the County Board meeting agenda for receipt and file or referral to the Litigation Committee pursuant to Section 2-287 of the OIIG Ordinance.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to receive and file 25-3412. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4112](#)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Civil Rights/Torts Section

September 1, 2025 - September 30, 2025

Labor & Employment Section

July 1, 2025 - September 30, 2025

Medical Litigation Section

September 1, 2025 - September 30, 2025

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to receive and file 25-4112. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4131](#)

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: *Ezell v. City of Chicago, et al., Styles v. City of Chicago, et al.*

Case Number: 18 C 1049, 18 C 1053,

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4131. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4132](#)

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: *Battle, Jovan v. Kimberly M. Foxx, et al.*

Case Number: 23 L 12959

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4132. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4133](#)

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: *Boyd v. Cook County Department of Corrections*

Case Number: 24 M1 013478

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4133. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4134](#)

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: *Tizamo v. Cook County*

Case Number: 24 L 2849

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4134. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4135](#)

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: *Hatzipetros v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 23 L 888

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4135. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4136](#)

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: *Evans, David v. Thomas J. Dart, et al., Goral, Matthew v. Dart, et al.*

Case Number: 19 CH 0283, 17 CH 11546

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4136. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4137](#)

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: *Simpson v. Dart, et al., Monae v. Dart*

Case Number: 18 C 0553, 18 C 0424

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4137. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4138](#)

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: *Wakim, Pierre v. Cook County*

Case Number: 22-0140

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 25-4138. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4139](#)

REPORT

Department: Civil Actions Bureau

Report Title: Outside Counsel Invoices

Report Period: 09/11/2025 through 10/15/2025

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 Degnen, to approve 25-4139. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4140](#)

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: *Al Abadi, Umniat v. County of Cook et al., Ayyash, Emad, individually, and as father of Sam Ayyash, a minor child v. County of Cook, et al.*

Case Number: 23 L 8410, 23 L 8547

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 25-4140. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4141](#)

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: *Carl Reed v. Richard Zuley, et al.*

Case Number: 23 C 17186

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 25-4141. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4142](#)

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: *Northwestern Memorial Hospital v. Cook County Health and Hospitals System*

Case Number: 01-24-0006-0994

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 25-4142. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4143](#)

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: *Michael Bell and Michele Kidd v. Maria Pappas and Cook County Hospitals System*

Case Number: 22 C 7061

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 25-4143. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4144](#)

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: *Cruz v. Henderson, et al.*

Case Number: 24 L 11754

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 25-4144. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

[25-4145](#)

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 25-4145. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

ADJOURNMENT

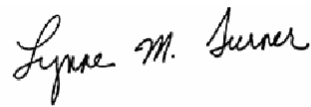
A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Morita, Morrison, Trevor and Stamps (7)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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