

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

## 9:30 AM

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

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

## **ATTENDANCE**

Present

Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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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:

Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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## PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

1. Todd Thielman - Concerned citizen

23-1267

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 01/25/2023

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-1267. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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#### **COURT ORDERS**

## 23-1194

## 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**: January 1, 2023 through January 31, 2023

**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 the period.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-1194. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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## SPECIAL COURT CASES

## 23-1125

Firm: Law Office of Karla Fiaoni

Attorney(s): Karla M. Fiaoni

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 93 CR 2647704 Date of This Order: 01/11/2023 Time period: 12/15/2022 - 01/11/2023

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$15,588.00

Paid to Date: \$16,505.25

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

## 23-1126

Firm: (1) Lawrence Oliver II - Special Prosecutor (2) Sidley Austin - Deputy Special Prosecutor

and (3) FTI Consulting

Attorney(s): Lawrence Oliver II

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 82 CR 1221 & 88 CR 7771

Date of This Order: 01/23/2023

Time period: 12/01/2022

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: Lawrence Oliver II - \$9,689.25

Paid to Date: \$217,583.88

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

#### 23-1130

Firm: 1) Lawrence Oliver II - Special Prosecutor (2) Sidley Austin - Deputy Special Prosecutor

and (3) FTI Consulting

Attorney(s): Lawrence Oliver II

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 82 CR 1221 & 88 CR 7771

Date of This Order: 01/23/2023

Time period: 11/01/2022 - 11/30/2022

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$Lawrence Oliver II - \$21,161.60 & Sidley

Austin \$7,393.09

Paid to Date: \$218,534.17

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-1156

Firm: The Law Office of Kate Curler, LLC Special State's Attorney(s): Lauren Kaplan Case Name: In Re Estate of Mario Ortega

Case No.(s): 2022 P 7981

Time period: 11/16/2022 - 12/14/2022

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$1,980.00

Paid to Date: \$0.00

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

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

Ayes:

Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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## SPECIAL CRIMINAL COURT CASES

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

## PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

## 23-0916

Case: Jacobs, Glenda v.Dart

Case No: 21 C 3725

Settlement Amount: \$30,000.00

Department: 1210-Office of the Sheriff

Payable to: Glenda Jacobs and Disparti Law Group, P.A.

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

## 23-0957

Case: Collier, Artrener v. Thomas J. Dart, in his official capacity, and Cook County

Case No: 14 C 10217

Settlement Amount: \$6,000.00 Department: Office of the Sheriff Payable to: Artrener Collier

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

#### 23-1050

Case: Lakes, Kathy (Est. Lucendy Lakes) v. Cook County

Case No: 19 L 6763

Settlement Amount: \$75,000.00

Department: 4897 - John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital

Payable to: Mark L. Karno & Associates, LLC, and Kathy Lakes Independent Administrator Estate of

Lucendy Lakes

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: Settlement of a medical malpractice claim.

## 23-1055

Case: NBC v. Cook County State's Attorney

Case No: 2022 CH 10806 Settlement Amount: \$7,500.00 Department: 1250 - State's Attorney

Payable to: Loevy & Loevy Attorneys at Law Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: An allegation of a FOIA violation

## 23-0573

Case: Joseph Harry Bobel v. Cook County

Case No: 18 cv 5475

Settlement Amount: \$5,000.00

Department: 4240 Cermak Health Services of Cook County

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Payable to: Joseph Harry Bobel

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

## 23-0626

Case: Younis, Younis v. Mendez, et al.

Case No: 20 L 394

Settlement Amount: \$750,000.00

Department: 1500 - Department of Transportation and Highways

Payable to: Younis Younis, Romanucci & Blandin

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of automobile negligence

## 23-0686

Case: State Farm Ins. Co. a/s/o Clary, Frances v. Shukair, et al.

Case No: 22 M1 13256

Settlement Amount: \$4,000.00

Department: 1210 - Office of the Sheriff

Payable to: State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: An allegation of automobile negligence

## 23-0954

Case: Joshua Taylor v. Cook County Case No: 22-2930 and 18 C 1938 Settlement Amount: \$8,000.00

Department: 4240 Cermak Health and Hospitals

Payable to: Joshua A. Taylor

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of a Civil Rights Violation

## 23-0955

Case: Russell. Teresa v. Leone et al.

Case No: 19 L 5478

Settlement Amount: \$20,000.00

Department: 1230 - Court Services Division

Payable to: Teresa Russell and The Law Offices of John S. Eliasik

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of automobile negligence

## QUARTERLY LITIGATION DISBURSEMENT REPORT

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

## PATIENT/ARRESTEE CLAIMS REPORT

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

## SELF-INSURANCE CLAIMS REPORT

23-1205

REPORT

**Department:** Department of Risk Management

Report Title: Receive and File - Self Insurance Claims

Report Period: Month Ending January 31, 2023

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Self Insurance

Claims for the month ending January 31, 2023. Payments total \$7,104.86

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-1205. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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## **CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS**

23-1204

REPORT

**Department**: Risk Management

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

**Report Period**: Month ending January 31, 2023

Summary: Submitting for your information, a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending

01/31/2023 - Total Recoveries: \$517.76 - Number of Recoveries: 1

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-1204. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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#### WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

#### 23-0730

Employee: Joseph May

Job Title: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections

Date of Incident: 10/15/2020; 02/09/2022; 06/22/2022; 09/01/2022

Incident/Activity: On October 15, 2020, Petitioner injured his left pinky finger while securing a detainee.

On February 9, 2022, Petitioner injured his right hand when a door closed on it. On June 22, 2022,

Petitioner injured his left eye when a detainee spat on him. On September 1, 2022, Petitioner injured his

nose when a detainee hit him.

Accidental Injuries: Left pinky finger, right hand, eye, nose

Petition and Order No: 21 WC 00026; 22 WC 03908

Claim Amount: \$9,500.00 Attorney: Gardi & Haught, Ltd. Date of Subcommittee Approval: n/a

Prior/pending claims: 10/30/2017 (\$43,485.20)

23-0939

Employee: Christopher Waters
Job Title: Correctional Officer

Department: Corrections

Date of Incident: 05/29/2022; 08/26/2021; 08/19/2021

Incident/Activity: On May 29, 2022, Petitioner injured his head, neck, and left eye when he was punched by a detainee. On August 26, 2021, Petitioner injured his left index finger trying to handcuff a detainee.

On August 19, 2021, Petitioner injured his right hand punching a detainee. Accidental Injuries: Head, Neck, Left Eye; Left index finger; Right Hand

Petition and Order No: 22 WC 019445

Claim Amount: \$11,948.27 Attorney: Argionis & Associates Date of Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Prior/pending claims: N/A

23-1030

Employee: Jeremiah Nieves Job Title: Correctional Officer

Department: Corrections

Date of Incident: 8/3/2022; Unfiled Claims 11/1/2021 and 5/29/2022

Incident/Activity: On November 1, 2021, Petitioner injured his left hand and middle finger when a

detainee grabbed his hand and caused it to be smashed between the cell door and food port.

On May 29, 2022,

Petitioner injured his right hand and middle finger while handcuffing a detainee. On August 3, 2022,

Petitioner felt a pop in his left foot while running to respond to a call for immediate assistance.

Accidental Injuries: Left Foot

Petition and Order No: 22 WC 21196

Claim Amount: \$7,080.13

Attorney: Al Koritsaris and Law Offices of Argionis & Assoiciates, LLC

Date of Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Prior/pending claims: N/A

23-1031

Employee: Luke Paladin

Job Title: Correctional Officer Department: Corrections

Date of Incident: 3/14/2019; 3/15/2019

Incident/Activity: Petitioner injured his left elbow while trying to open a cell block door that was

stuck.

Accidental Injuries: Left Arm/Elbow Petition and Order No: 21 WC 23922

Claim Amount: \$13,232.86 Attorney: Michael Hellman

Date of Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Prior/pending claims: 9/20/2016 (\$58,216.01); 12/19/2021 (Pending)

23-1065

Employee: Catrel Green

Job Title: Correctional Officer

Department: Corrections

Date of Incident: 10/13/2020

Incident/Activity: Petitioner tested positive for COVID-19.

Accidental Injuries: contracted an occupational disease

Petition and Order No: 20 WC 287451

Claim Amount: \$4,003.20

Attorney: Saks, Robinson & Rittenberg, Ltd.

Date of Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Prior/pending claims: N/A

## 23-1266

Employee: Concepcion, Kristen

Job Title: Youth Development Specialist

Department: Juvenile Temporary Detention Center

Date of Incident: 11/20/2021

Incident/Activity: Two residents were involved in a physical altercation. While restraining one resident, the other struck her in the shoulder and jumped on her back to get to the other resident.

Accidental Injuries: Left shoulder/arm, back area.

Petition and Order No: 21 WC 032724

Claim Amount: \$24,500.00 Attorney: Joseph Lauer

Date of Subcommittee Approval: 01/27/2023

Prior/pending claims: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information.

The attached claims summary with all prior and pending claims.

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve Workers' Compensation Claims. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor (16)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Gainer (1)

## WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS PAYMENT REPORT

## 23-1217

#### REPORT

**Department**: Risk Management

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

**Report Period**: 01/01/2023 - 01/31/2023

**Summary**: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month ending January 2023. Payment's total \$897,398,90

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-1217. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore. Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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#### COMPTROLLERS

#### 23-1211

**REPORT** 

**Department**: Office of the Comptroller

Report Title: Analysis of Revenue and Expenses

Report Period: December 31, 2022

Summary: Analysis of Revenues and Expenses for month end, December 31, 2022, of Corporate,

Public Safety, Health, and Special Purpose funds of Cook County

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-1211. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor (16)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Gainer (1)

## **HEALTH & HOSPITAL**

#### 23-1209

REPORT

**Department:** Cook County Health **Report Title:** CCH Monthly Report **Report Period:** February 2023

Summary: This report is provided in accordance with Resolution 14-4311 approved by the County Board

7/23/14

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-1209. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen.

Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor (16)

**Absent:** Commissioner: Gainer (1)

#### 23-0548

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Economic Development

Report Title: Cook County Promise Guaranteed Income Pilot Status Update

Report Period: Update covering program launch in May 2022 through initial payments in December

2022

Summary: The Cook County Bureau of Economic Development will provide an update to the Cook

County Board of Commissioners on the Cook County Promise Guaranteed Income Pilot.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-0548. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen,

Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor (16)

Absent:

Commissioner: Gainer (1)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Quezada, seconded by Commissioner Gordon, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, and Trevor

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Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Lyne M. Surver

Secretary

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

# FINANCE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 08, 2023 TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING

## **SPECIAL COURT CASES**

SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT: \$638,159.44

SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED: \$55,811.94

# PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT: \$387,118.12

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED: \$905,500.00

## **WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS**

WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT: \$1,727,058.44

WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS TO BE APPROVED: \$70,264.46