



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

10:00 AM

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

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

ATTENDANCE

Present: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (excused) (2)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

There were no public speakers

24-5288

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 7/24/2024

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve 24-5288. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

Executive Session

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

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

Regular Session

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, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5253

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Civil Rights/Torts Litigation Section
July 10, 2024 - September 3, 2024

Advice Transactions & Complex Litigation Section

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to receive and file 24-5253. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5254

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: *Langendorf v. Dart, et al.*

Case Number: 20 CH 06129

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5254. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5255

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: *Abrego v. Guevara, Buoto v. Guevara, Gecht v. Guevara, Gonzalez v. Guevara, Kwil v. Guevara, Martinez v. Guevara, Rodriguez v. Guevara,*

Case Number: 23 C 1740, 19 C 2441, 23 C 1742, 22 C 6496, 23 C 4279, 23 C 1741, 22 C 6141

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5255. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5257

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: *Gonska v. Urso*

Case Number: 22 L 3605

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5257. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5260

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: *Gonzalez-Morales v. Fawcett et al*

Case Number: 23-M1-301329

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5260. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5261

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: *Kim Buckhalter (Est. Timothy Buckhalter) v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 23 L 2092

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5261. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5262

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: *Vaccaro v. Cook County*

Case Number: 22 L 10199

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5262. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5263

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 in Excess of \$290.00

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 24-5263. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5265

REPORT

Department: Civil Actions Bureau

Report Title: Outside Counsel Invoices

Report Period: 07/18/2024 - 09/11/2024

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

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to recommend for approval 24-5265. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5269

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: *Kelly, Thomas v. Reynaldo Guevara, et al.*

Case Number: 24 C 05354

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 24-5269. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5272

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: *McDonald, LaVerne (Est. Serenity Arrington) v. Austin, Simone and Cook County*

Case Number: 21 L 9498

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 24-5272. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

24-5273

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 approve 24-5273. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Degnen, Trevor and Stamps (5)

Absent: Morita and S. Morrison (2)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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