



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

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

11:00 AM

**Cook County Building, Board Room, Rm 569
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

16-0692

Sponsored by: BRIDGET GAINER, PETER N. SILVESTRI and LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

**CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SETTLEMENTS IN THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LITIGATION
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Part 1 General Ordinances, Chapter 2 - Administration, Article 3 - County Board, Division 2 - Rules of Organization and Procedure, Section 2-103 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 2-103 Interpretation, force and effect

(e) Specific Rules for Finance Subcommittee on Litigation. The Cook County State's Attorney's Office shall, for each settlement of \$500,000.00 and above submit the following:

1. Any actual legal conflicts of interest of any party to the suit, as well as opposing counsel of which the State's Attorney is aware at the time it makes its settlement recommendation;
2. Any actual violations of the Cook County Ethics Ordinance of which the State's Attorney's Office is aware, subject to its responsibilities under the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct.
3. Current status of employee stakeholders named in the proposed settlement;
4. Any significant tangible evidence (i.e., photos, videos) that the State's Attorney's Office believes is relevant to its recommendation.
5. At the end of each fiscal year:
 - a. the State's Attorney's Office will provide an annual summary of all settlements, case dispositions and invoices approved in excess of \$500,000.00 entered into during that fiscal year;
 - b. the County offices whose employees are named defendants in any such cases shall report on the employment status of such employees and any resulting disciplinary actions.

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Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption (or give specific date)

Legislative History: 12/16/15 Board of Commissioners referred to the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

***THIS SUBCOMMITTEE ROUTINELY MEETS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**


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