



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

Tuesday, December 15, 2015

11:00 AM

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

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

Also Present: Commissioners Arroyo, Butler, Garcia, Moore, and Morrison; Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Diana Viverito, Chairman Silvestri Staff; Patrick Blanchard, Inspector General; John J. Rock, Special State's Attorney; Mary Jean Dolan, Legal Counsel, County Board of Ethnicity; Laura Lechowicz, General Counsel; Mary Margaret Burke, Assistant State's Attorney Medical Litigation Section

Court Reporter: Anthony W. Lisanti, C.S.R.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

There were no public speakers

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Gainer, moved to convene to Executive Session. The motion carried.

Commissioner Boykin seconded by Vice Chairman Suffredin, moved to return to Regular Session. The motion carried.

16-0509

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 11/24/2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Committee Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORTS

Labor and Employment Section, September 26, 2015 – December 3, 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that the Case Disposition Summary Reports be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

Medical Litigation Section Report, November 17, 2015 – December 15, 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that the Case Disposition Summary Reports be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING

14-3798

Presented by: Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

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: Leon Smith v. Dr. Ansari and County, d/b/a Provident Hospital

Case Number: 14 L 2823

Legislative History: 7/23/14 Board of Commissioners referred to the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

16-0403

Presented by: Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

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: David Nardi v. Thomas Dart, in his official capacity as Cook County Sheriff

Case Number: 12 L 10820

COB Number: 320762

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

16-0489

Presented by: Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

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: Lashawn Greer v. Michael Lynch, et al.

Case Number: 15 C 2550

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

16-0490

Presented by: Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

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: Tykila Fuller (Est. of Ali Rasul White-El) v. County of Cook (Stroger)

Case Number: 11 L 2213

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (5)

Nays: Commissioners Boykin and Gainer (2)

Absent: None (0)

16-0496

Presented by: Donald J. Pechous, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

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: Elizarri v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case Number: 07 C 2427

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Litigation Pending be concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

For Informational Purposes Only

Midwest Gaming v. County of Cook

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that the Information Purposes be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney and authorize invoice payments for special counsels (Tabs #1 through #10 in Volume 2) which are in compliance with the County's Attorney-Fee Guidelines. The motion carried.

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

Tab #1 Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Matthew R. Henderson and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP
Alberto Martinez, et al. v. City of Chicago, et al.
Case No: 09 C 5938

Tab #2 Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Steven Puiszis and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
In Re: Level Assessment Litigation
Case Nos. 2004 Tax Obj. No. 05 COTO 3938
2005 Tax Obj. No. 07 COTO 1618
2006 Tax Obj. No. 07 COTO 0779
2007 Tax Obj. No. 08 COTO 5700
2008 Tax Obj. No. 09 COTO 6258

Tab #3 Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Steven Puiszis and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP
Cook County Board of Ethics v. Joseph Berrios
Case No: 14 CH 4951

Tab #4 Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC
Herrera v. Lt. Robinson, et al.
Case No: 12 C 4053

Tab #5 Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC
United States of America, et al. v. Triad Isolopes, Inc., et al.
Case No: 11 C 8098

- Tab #6** Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connolly, LLC
Adrienne Moss, et al. v. Edgar Singleton, et al.
Case No: 14 C 6424
- Tab #7** Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Comlelly, L.L.C.
Greer v. Lynch, et al.
Case No: 15 C 2550
- Tab #8** Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Terrence F. Guolee and the Firm of Querrey & Harrow, Ltd.
Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Department, et al.
Case No: 07 C 855
- Tab #9** Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Paul O'Grady and the firm of Peterson Johnson & Murray Chicago, LLC
Hudson v. Preckwinkle, et al.
Case No: 13 C 8752
- Tab #10** Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Paul O'Grady and the firm of Peterson Johnson & Murray Chicago, LLC
United States of America v. Cook County, et al.
Case No: 10 C 2946

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this committee was adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Absent: None (0)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

*The transcript for this meeting is available in the Office of the Secretary to the Board, 118 North Clark Street, Room 436, Chicago, IL 60602.