

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

**Tuesday, December 13, 2016** 11:00 AM

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

# **ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

There were no public speakers.

#### 17-0600

#### **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 11/15/2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to approve 17-0600. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORTS

#### 17-0501

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

 Medical Litigation Section
 11/16/2016 - 12/12/2016

 Torts and Civil Rights
 11/16/2016 - 12/12/2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-0501. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### **CASES PENDING LITIGATION**

# 17-0537

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: Clemons v. Dart, et al.

Case Number: 13 C 2356

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 17-0537. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### 17-0475

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: Bell v. Dart, et al.

Case Number: 14 C 8059

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 17-0475. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### 17-0480

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: Swift, Terrill v City of Chicago et al.

Case Number: 12 L 12995

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 17-0480. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### 17-0538

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: Ayoubi v. Dart, et al.

Case Number: 13 C 8983

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 17-0538. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

# CASES PRESENTED FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

17-0002

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: Omar Ginez as Administrator of the Estate of Xochitl Flores, v County of Cook, et. al.

Case Number: 13 L 4651

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-0002. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

17-0478

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: Saunders, Michael v City of Chicago, et al.

Case Number: 12 C 9158

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-0478. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### 17-0479

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: Thames, Vincent v City of Chicago et al.

Case Number: 12 C 9170

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-0479. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### 17-0480

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: Swift, Terrill v City of Chicago et al.

**Case Number:** 12 L 12995

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-0480. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### 17-0482

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: Patrick, Deon v City of Chicago et al.

Case Number: 14 C 3658

A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-0482. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

# SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

#### 17-0497

Presented by: DONALD J. PECHOUS, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

1) Hernandez v. John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital, et al.

Case No. 15 L 11937

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Anne Stalder Nelson and the firm of Anderson, Rasor & Partners, LLP

2) Chicago Tribune Company v Cook County Assessor's Office

Case No: 16 CH 4992

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Steven M. Puiszis and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP

3) 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

Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Steven Puiszis and the firm of

Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP

4) Alberto Martinez, et al. v City of Chicago, et al.

Case No: 09 C 5938

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Matthew R. Henderson and the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP

5) Shakman, et al. v Cook County Recorder of Deeds

Case No. 69 C 2145

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Dana L. Kurtz and the firm of Law Office of Kutz, LTD

6) Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Department, et al.

Case No: 07 C 855

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Terrence F. Guolee and the Firm of Querrey & Harrow, LTD

7) Terrill Swift v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No: 12 L 12995

Michael Saunders v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No: 12 CV 09158

Vincent Thames v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No: 12 CV 09170

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Patricia C. Bobb and the Law Offices of Patricia C. Bobb & Associates, P.C.

8) Stewart Title Guaranty Company v Nicholas Grapsas

Case No. 2015 L 4520 and 2012 P 3203

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John H. Scheid, Jr. and the firm of Pretzel & Stouffer, Chartered

9) Percy, Taylor v Sheriff Dart, et.al.

Case No. 13 C 1856, 13 C 6512, 15 C 5919

Case No. 14 L 6617

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

10) United States of America, et al. v Triad Isotopes Inc. et al.

Case No. 11 C 8098

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC

11) Hudson v. Preckwinkle, et al.

Case No: 13 C 8752

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Paul O'Grady and the firm of Peterson Johnson & Murray Chicago, LLC

12) United States of America v. Cook County, et al.

Case No: 10 C 2946

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Paul O'Grady and the firm of Peterson Johnson & Murray Chicago, LLC

13) Sharp, Joshua v Smith, Michael, et al

Case No: 15 C 11510

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney William B. Oberts and the Firm of Tribler Orpett & Meyer, P.C.

14) Avalos, Hector, et al. v Robert Vais, et al.

Case No. 14 L 1734

In re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney William Oberts and the Firm of Tribler, Orpett & Meyer, PC

A motion was made by Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to concur with the recommendation of the Special State's Attorney and authorize payments for the following invoices, which are in compliance with the County's Attorney-Fee Guidlines 17-0497. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Ayes: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chair Fritchey, Commissioners Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin

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**Absent:** Commissioner Gainer (1)

Respectfully submitted,

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