



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

**12:00 PM**

**Tuesday, September 12, 2017**

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

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

1. George Blakemore

**17-5181**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 07/18/2017

**A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, to approve 17-5181. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-4971**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

**CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT**

*Civil Rights Section*                      *7/6/2017 - 8/25/2017*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Boykinto recommend for approval 17-4971. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-4970**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau

**SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL**

*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.

**Tab Item No. 1**

*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 M. Puiszis and the  
firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 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.

**Tab Item No. 3**

*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.

**Tab Item No. 4**

*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 B. Oberts and  
the Firm of Tribler, Orpett & Meyer, P.C.

**Tab Item No. 5**

*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.

**Tab Item No. 6**

*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.

**Tab Item No. 7**

*Hower, Eduardo v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

Case No. 15 C 6404

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

**Tab Item No. 8**

*Shakman v. Cook County Recorder of Deeds, et al.*

Case No. 69 C 2145

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Burton S. Odelson and  
the firm of Odelson Sterk, LTD.

**Tab Item No. 9**

*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.

**Tab Item No. 10**

*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.

**Tab Item No. 11**

*Percy, Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.*

Case No. 13 C 1856, 15 C 5919

Case No. 14 L 6617

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

**Tab Item No. 12**

*Beatrice Dykes v. Sheriff Thomas Dart, et al.*

Case No. (Not yet filed)

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Christina M. Egan and  
the firm of McGuire Woods, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 13**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Gainer, 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 Guidelines 17-4970. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**Convene Exec Session**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fritchey, seconded by Commissioner Schneider to convene executive session.**

**Reconvene Regular Session**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fritchey, seconded by Commissioner Schneider to reconvene regular session.**

**17-4902**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Borys v. Cook County, et al.

**Case Number:** 15 C 8973

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Gainer, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-4902. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5035**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Hamilton v. Dart, et al.

**Case Number:** 16 L 36

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-5035. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5060**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** United States of America, ex rel. Michael McGee, et al. v. IBM Corporation, et al.

**Case Number:** 11 C 3482

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to recommend for approval 17-5060. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5065**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Stotler, Helen v. Dr. Jennifer Suffern et al. (Cook County)

**Case Number:** 14 L 7981

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-5065. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5068**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Mercado, Juan et al. v. Dr. Norell Rosado

**Case Number:** 14 L 7337

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to recommend the Revised State's Attorney approval of 17-5068. The motion carried by the**

**following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5070**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Higuera, Rosalba (Est. Belinda Higuera) v. Cook County

**Case Number:** 14 L 1757

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-5070. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5076**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Harold Richardson v. City of Chicago, et al., Michael Saunders v. City of Chicago, et al., Vincent Thames v. City of Chicago, et al.

**Case Number:** 12 C 9184, 12 C 9158, 12 C 9170

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, to recommend for receiving and filing**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**17-5081**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Beatrice Dykes v. Sheriff Thomas Dart, et al.

**Case Number:** Not yet filed

**no action taken 17-5081**

**17-5207**

**Presented by:** CHAKA M. PATTERSON, 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:** Donnell Flora v. Thomas Dart, et al.

**Case Number:** 15 C 1127

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Fritchey, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for approval 17-5207. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary



A video recording of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>.