



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

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

11:05 AM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Present: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

No speakers

[21-0452](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 11/17/2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to approve 21-0452. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0419](#)**SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL***Brown v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 17 C 8085

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Michael W. Condon and the firm
of Hervas, Condon & Bersani, P.C.

Tab Item No. 1*Castro, et al. v. Dart, et al.*

Case No: 19 C 0471

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

Tab Item No. 2*Fields v. Dart, et al.*

Case No. 19 C 2680

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. 3*Patricia Hicks v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.**Jasmin McBride and Lorenzo Smith v. Cook County
Sheriff's Office, et al.*

Case No. 15 C 6852 and 17 C 4951

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. 4*Johnson v. Brown, et al., 17 C 6249**Johnson v. Taylor, et al., 18 C 5263*

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

Tab Item No. 5

Lukasik, et al. v. Thomas Nortman, et al., 18 L 10893

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

Percy Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.

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

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

Strickland v. Dart, et al.

Case No: 19 C 2621

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

Tab Item No. 8

Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8085

Howard, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8146

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. 9

Brown v. Dart, et al., 18 L 12632

Reyes v. Dart, et al., 18 L 12511

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

Tab Item No. 10

Consolino v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 17 C 9011

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

Tab Item No. 11

Policemen's Benevolent Labor Committee v. Dart, et al.

Case No. L-CA-18-037

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC

Tab Item No. 12

Tate v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 18 CH 2749

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Justin L. Leinenweber and
the firm of Leinenweber, Baroni & Daffada, LLC.

Tab Item No. 13

Mays v. Dart, et al.

Case No. 20 C 2134

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. 14

Sopron v. Cassidy, et al.

Case No. 19 C 8254

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. 15

Stephanie Zugswert v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.

Case No. 17 L 10368

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. 16

County of Cook v. HSBC North America Holdings, Inc., et al.

Case No. 14 C 2031

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Katherine G. Schnake and
the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

Tab Item No. 17

People v. Marcus Floyd

Case No. 10 CR 12502

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Sean J. O'Callaghan and
the firm of O'Mara Gleason O'Callaghan, LLC

Tab Item No. 18

In Re. Mauricio Araujo, Circuit Judge, Circuit court of Cook County

Case No. 19-CC-1

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. 19

Brown v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 7064

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

Tab Item No. 20

Bless v. Cook County, et al.

Case No. 13 C 4271

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. 21

DeLeon Reyes v. Rey Guevara, et al.

Case No. 18 C 1028

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Elizabeth A. Ekl and
the firm of Reiter Burns, LLP.

Tab Item No. 22

Shakman v. Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County

Case No: 69 C 2145

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Jeffrey S. Fowler and the
firm of Laner Muchin, LTD.

Tab Item No. 23

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to approve 21-0419. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0420](#)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Civil Rights Section

October 5, 2020 - December 3, 2020

Labor and Employment Section

October 5, 2020 - December 3, 2020

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to receive and file 21-0420. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

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

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

Committee met in Executive Session

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

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0424](#)

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: *Mayer, Anthony v. Thomas Dart and Cook County*

Case Number: 18 C 8359

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-0424. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0425](#)

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: *Holman v. Triplett, et al.*

Case Number: 17 C 4710

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-0425. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0426](#)

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: *Goral, et al. v. Dart, et al. - Proposed County Board Ordinance*

Case Number: 125085

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-0426. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0427](#)

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: *Wayne Walker, et al. v. Cook County, Aiman Tulaimat, MD, et al.*

Case Number: 17 L 8582

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-0427. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0428](#)

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: *Joaquin Cortez v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 17 L 007376

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-0428. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0429](#)

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: Report on Outside Counsel Invoices

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-0429. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0433](#)

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 Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 21-0433. Commissioners Suffredin and Lowry voted present on Tab 8, Item 7. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to suspend the rules to take up supplemental agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[20-5462](#)

Presented by: PATRICK M. BLANCHARD, Inspector General

REPORT

Department: Office of the Independent Inspector General

Report Title: Independent Inspector General Quarterly Report, 3rd Quarter 2020

Report Period: 7/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

Summary: This report was written in accordance with Section 2-287 of the Independent Inspector General Ordinance, Cook County, Ill., Ordinances 07-O-52 (2007) ("OIIG Ordinance"), to apprise the President and the County Board of the activities of this office during the time period beginning 7/1/2020 through 9/30/2020. It is being placed on the County Board meeting agenda for receipt and file or referral to the Litigation Committee pursuant to a recent amendment to Section 2-287 of the OIIG Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, S. Morrison and Suffredin (7)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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