



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

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

11:05 AM

Virtual Meeting

Open Session Part 1 of 2

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 public speakers

[21-1727](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 1/26/2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 21-1727. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1675](#)**SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL***Mercad/Ford v. Norrell Rosado, M.D.*

Case No. 14 L 7337

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Mark J. Lura and
the firm of Anderson, Rasor & Partners, LLP.

Tab Item No. 1*Sasho Belyanov v. John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital*

Case No. 20 L 5407

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Mark J. Lura and
the firm of Anderson, Rasor & Partners, LLP.

Tab Item No. 2*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. 3*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. 4*Maysonet v. City of Chicago, et al.*

Case No. 18 C 2342

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney John C. Coyne and
the firm of Law Offices of John C. Coyne.

Tab Item No. 5*People v. Jackie Wilson, et al.*

Case No. 82 C 1211, 88 CR 7771

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney John C. Coyne and
the firm of Law Offices of John C. Coyne.

Tab Item No. 6

Barnes, Toriano v. Thomas J. Dart

Case No. 19 CH 6674

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 7

Beauchamp, Marquis v. Thomas Dart.

Case No. 19 CH 8869

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 8

Shaffer v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15653

Jackson v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 14378

Garrett-Williams v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 19 CH 840

Bridges v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al., 18 CH 15535

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 9

Squeo, Anthony v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case No. 18 CH 12385

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 10

Shyne, Martenia v. Sheriff of Cook County, et al.

Case No. 19 CH 2193

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Monica Burkoth and
the firm of Johnson & Bell, LTD.

Tab Item No. 11

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. 12

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. 13

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. 14

Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al., 17 C 8085 - (Data Breach)

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. 15

Gray v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 2624

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Kenneth M. Battle and the firm
of O'Connor & Battle, LLP.

Tab Item No. 16

Prince v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 2952

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Kenneth M. Battle and the firm
of O'Connor & Battle, LLP.

Tab Item No. 17

Velez v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 8144

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for
Special State's Attorney Kenneth M. Battle and the firm
of O'Connor & Battle, LLP.

Tab Item No. 18

DeLeon Reyes v. Reynaldo Guevara, et al. - 18 C 2312

Gabriel Solache v. City of Chicago, et al. - 18 C1028

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. 19

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. 20

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. 21

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. 22

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. 23

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. 24

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. 25

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. 26

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to approve 21-1675. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1681](#)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Medical Litigation Section

October 6, 2020 - February 9, 2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to receive and file 21-1681. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1685](#)

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: *Thomas v. Dart, et al.*

Case Number: 16 C 4832

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-1685. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1690](#)

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: *Hitch, et al. v. Pappas, et al.*

Case Number: 17 COTO 1116

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-1690. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1691](#)

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: *Sdharie Howard, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 17 C 8146

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-1691. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

The Committee met in Executive Session

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, 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)

[21-1693](#)

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: *Aljabari v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 18 L 3192

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to receive and file 21-1693. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1698](#)

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: *County of Cook v. U.S.I.*

Case Number: 12 L 8066 and 18-889

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to receive and file 21-1698. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1699](#)

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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to receive and file 21-1699. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-1703](#)

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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to receive and file 21-1703. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, 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>.