



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Minutes of the Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation**

**11:30 AM**

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

**Virtual Meeting**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, K. Morrison and Johnson (5)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Chairman S. Morrison asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in Accordance with Cook County Code.

No speakers.

**Vice-Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison, moved that the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee convene in Open Session to consider matters of pending Workers' Compensation. The motion carried.**

**Vice-Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison, moved Approval of the cases over \$25,000.00. The motion carried.**

**21-1674**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 01/26/2021

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 21-1674. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, K. Morrison and Johnson (5)

## **1. SETTLEMENTS AND DECISIONS**

### **ABRAMS, PHYLLIS**

**18 WC 01176**

Petitioner was injured when she fell on a slippery surface causing injury to both knees, her right elbow, head, neck and lower back.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

### **BENNETT, JOSEPH**

**10 WC 49299**

Petitioner injured his back while carrying recovered weapons after executing a warrant.

**12 WC 36987**

Petitioner injured his back when he exited his vehicle and fell into a hole while working on warrants.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

### **COLEMAN, NIGEL**

**19 WC 00737**

Petitioner injured his right shoulder, left elbow, and left knee while assisting in an emergency takedown of a combative detainee.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

### **HARRIS, JACQUELINE**

**19 WC 18327**

Petitioner alleged injuries to her right knee and leg as a result of trying to restrain an inmate.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

### **LAWSON, PAULETTE**

**16 WC 22414**

Petitioner suffered injuries to her left shoulder when she fell as she was sitting on a chair with wheels.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

**MERGENTHALER, WILLIAM**

**17 WC 8327**

Petitioner injured his left shoulder and neck while subduing and handcuffing a combative detainee.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

**ROMAN, ILLUMINADA**

**17 WC 05297**

Petitioner alleged injuries to her right shoulder as a result of falling on a slippery surface.

**17 WC 05620**

Petitioner alleged injuries to her right elbow and lower back as a result of falling on a slippery surface.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

**SCAIFE, CYNTHIA**

**15 WC 14249**

Petitioner injured her back, buttock, and back of right thigh while lifting a patient.

**17 WC 02990**

Petitioner injured her back while bending to adjust patient's footrest.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

**STAMPLEY, TERRANCE**

**18 WC 03188-19 WC 15427**

Petitioner alleged injuries to his shoulder and wrist as a result of an altercation with an inmate.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

**VEVERKA, EDWARD**

**20 WC 004502**

Petitioner suffered a crush injury to his left foot when a heavy item he was pushing on a cart fell onto the top of his left foot.

**Vice Chairman Britton seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison moved Approval. The motion carried.**

## ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Commissioner K. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, K. Morrison and Johnson (5)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Matthew B. DeLeon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Matthew" written in a stylized, connected manner.

Chairman

Secretary

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