



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

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

11:05 AM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

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

Also Present: Sims (1)

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

[21-3784](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 5/10/2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to approve 21-3784. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

The Committee met in Executive Session

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

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

[21-3729](#)

SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

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. 1

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. 2

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. 3

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. 4

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. 5

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. 6

In Re: Level Assessment Litigation

Case Nos. 2004 Tax Obj. No. 05 COTO 3938, et al.

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. 7

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. 8

Maysonet v. Guevara, et al.

Case No. 18 C 2342

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. 9

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. 10

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. 11

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. 12

Joshua Washington v. Abishi Cunningham, et al.

Case No. 20 M6 009069

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for Special State's Attorney Philip J. Fowler and the firm of Karlin, Fleisher & Falkenberg, LLC.

Tab Item No. 13

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. 14

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. 15

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. 16

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. 17

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. 18

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. 19

Coleman, Nevest v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 18 C 998

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. 20

Fulton, Derell v. City of Chicago, et al.

Case No. 17 C 8696

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. 21

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. 22

LaShawn Ezell v. City of Chicago, et al., 18 C 1049

Charles Johnson v. City of Chicago, et al., 18 C 1062

Larod Styles v. Cassidy, et al., 18 C 1053

Troshaw McCoy v. Cassidy., 18 C 1068

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

Tab Item No. 23

People v. DeQuawn Little

Case No. 20110863701

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. 24

People v. Heggie Carr

Case No. 11 CR 1455701

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

Tab Item No. 25

*Administration of the Electronic Monitoring Program, and
Taphia Williams v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 18 C 1456

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

Tab Item No. 26

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. 27

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. 28

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to approve 21-3729, except tab 18. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve tab 18 of 21-3729. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Britton, Degnen, Johnson and Morrison (5)

Present: Lowry and Suffredin (2)

[21-3735](#)

CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT

Civil Rights Section

April 27, 2021 - June 6, 2021

Labor and Employment Section

March 30, 2021 - June 6, 2021

Medical Litigation Section

February 9, 2021 - June 6, 2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3735. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3739](#)

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: *Colleen Mulcahy v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

Case Number: 18 C 7008

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-3739. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3743](#)

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: *Chari Hunt v. Cook County Health*

Case Number: 18 C 7008

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-3743. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3747](#)

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: *Maria Castaneda for the Estate of Andres Munoz, deceased v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 20 L 5560

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State' s Attorney 21-3747. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3748](#)

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 Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State' s Attorney 21-3748. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3749](#)

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: *Hampton, Marcus v. Cook County, et al.*

Case Number: 18 C 6346

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State' s Attorney 21-3749. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3753](#)

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: *Mitchell, Kehinda v. City of Chicago, et al.*

Case Number: 18 C 7357

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney 21-3753. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3757](#)

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: *Serrano v. Guevara, et al., and Montanez v. Guevara, et al.*

Case Number: 17 C 2869 and 17 C 4560

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3757. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3758](#)

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: *Olsen, Rebecca (Est. Jesse McDonald) v. Cook County*

Case Number: 21 L 775

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3758. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3759](#)

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: Cook County Health Medicare Cost Report Reimbursement Appeals Engagements

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3759. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3763](#)

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: Prelitigation Settlement with The Superlative Group, Inc.

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3763. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3772](#)

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 Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3772. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-3773](#)

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 Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to receive and file 21-3773. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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