



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

**Tuesday, July 27, 2021**

**11:05 AM**

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

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, 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

[21-4326](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 6/22/2021

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 21-4326. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[21-4288](#)

**CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT**

Civil Rights Section

June 7, 2021 - July 12, 2021

Labor and Employment Section

June 7, 2021 - July 12, 2021

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to receive and file 21-4288. 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 Chairman Silvestri, to convene executive session [FILE\_NR]. 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, to reconvene regular session [FILE\_NR]. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[21-4283](#)

**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**

*A.F. Moore v. Joseph Berrios, et al.*

Case No. 18 C 4888

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. 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**

*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. 12**

ARDC Matter

Case No. 2019IN02601

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**

*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. 16**

*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. 17**

*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. 18**

*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. 19**

receive and file

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

[21-4289](#)

**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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve 21-4289. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

**Nays:** Degnen (1)

[21-4290](#)

**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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to receive and file 21-4290. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[21-4291](#)

**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

receive and file

[21-4292](#)

**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:** *Ruby Wheelis-Debose (Est. Dawn Wheelis) v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 18 L 7000

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 21-4292. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[21-4293](#)

**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:** *Kim Hines v. Cook County d/b/a John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital*

**Case Number:** 18 L 12476

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 21-4293. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-4297](#)

**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:** *James Minsky v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 18 L 6141

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 21-4297. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-4298](#)

**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:** *Illinois Fraternal Order of Police and County of Cook and Sheriff of Cook County, and Sheppard v. Dart, et al.*

**Case Number:** L-CA-18-041, 14 L 3435

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 21-4298. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[21-4299](#)

**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 Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 21-4299. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[21-4300](#)

**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 Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 21-4300. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

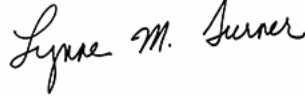
**Ayes:** Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairman



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Secretary

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