



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

**Tuesday, December 14, 2021**

**11:05 AM**

**Virtual Meeting**

**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 public speakers

[22-0577](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 11/2/2021

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 22-0577. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0516](#)

**SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL**

*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. 1**

*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. 2**

*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. 3**

*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. 4**

*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. 5**

*Reyes v. Guevara, et al.*

Case No. 18 C 1028

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. 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**

*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. 8**

*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. 9**

*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. 10**

*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. 11**

*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. 12**

*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. 13**

*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. 14**

*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. 15**

*People v. Ralph Harris*

Case No. 95 CR 27596, 95 CR 27598, 95 CR 27560

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. 16**

*Walker, et al. v. Agpawa, et al.*

Case No. 127206

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**

*Fields, Marlo on behalf of deceased, Treja Kelly v.*

*Victoria Klegman, et al.*

Case No. 21 C 2058

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**

*Wilson v. Trutenko, et al.*

Case No. 21 C 3487

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Thomas G. DiCianni and  
the firm of Ancel Glink.

**Tab Item No. 19**

*Wilson v. Trutenko, et al.*

Case No. 21 C 3487

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Jason Terry Ekl and  
the firm of Ekl Williams & Provenzale, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 20**

*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. 21**

*Wilson v. Trutenko, et al.*

Case No. 21 C 3487

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Kenneth Ulrich and  
the firm of Goldberg Kohn.

**Tab Item No. 22**

*Thomas J. Dart v. The Honorable JB Pritzker, et al.*

Case No. N/A

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. 23**

*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. 24**

*Frank DiFranco v. Cook County Clerk's Office, et al.*

Case No. 21 CH 2960

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Jayman A. Avery and  
the firm of Odelson Sterk, LTD.

**Tab Item No. 25**

*Andersen v. City of Chicago, et al.*

Case No. 16 C 1963

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. 26**

*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. 27**

*Vaughn, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 20 L 10094

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Moses Suarez and  
the firm of Smith Amundsen, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 28**

*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 Sean J. O'Callaghan and  
the firm of O'Mara Gleason O'Callaghan, LLC

**Tab Item No. 29**

*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, et al., 18 C 1068*

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. 30**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to approve 22-0516. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0517](#)

**CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT**

Labor and Employment Section  
October 19, 2021 - November 29, 2021

Medical Litigation Section  
September 3, 2021 - November 29, 2021

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0517. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0518](#)

**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 Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0518. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0519](#)

**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:** *Carlos Martinez v. Officer Kulasa, et al.*

**Case Number:** 19 C 4359

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0519. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[22-0520](#)

**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:** *Estate of Lavera Turner Scott v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

**Case Number:** 19 C 5441

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0520. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[22-0521](#)

**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:** *Leonel Lemus (Est. Jose Lemus) v. Cook County, et al.*

**Case Number:** 20 L 13160

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0521. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0522](#)

**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:** *Park, Jessica (Est. Danny Kim) v. Thomas J. Dart, et al.*

**Case Number:** 20 C 6662

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0522. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0523](#)

**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:** *Alice Mosby v. Cook County*

**Case Number:** 19 L 13841

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to**

receive and file 22-0523. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[22-0527](#)

**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:** *Vargas, Leticia (Est. Angel Cruz) v. Cook County*

**Case Number:** 18 C 1865

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0527. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[22-0528](#)

**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:** *Williams, Zertasha v. Cook County*

**Case Number:** 19 L 1107

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0528. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[22-0529](#)

**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:** *Arturo Reyes v. Reynaldo Guevara, et al., and Gabriel Solache v. City of Chicago, et al.*

**Case Number:** 18 C 1028 and 18 C 2312

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0529. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0533](#)

**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:** *Jermaine Walker v. City of Chicago, et al.*

**Case Number:** 16 C 7024

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0533. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0534](#)

**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:** Procurement of CounselLink, an Enterprise Legal Management System

**Case Number:** N/A

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0534. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0538](#)

**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 Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0538. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[22-0539](#)

**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 Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 22-0539. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairman

LYNNE M. TURNER

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Interim Secretary

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