

REPORT OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LITIGATION

July 11, 2012

The Honorable,
The Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Finance Subcommittee on Litigation of the Board of Commissioners met pursuant to notice on Wednesday, July 11, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., in the County Building, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Collins, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (6)

Absent: Commissioner Gainer (1)

Also Present: Patrick Driscoll, Jr. – Deputy State’s Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Donald J. Pechous – Deputy Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Paul A. Castiglioni, Michael A. Kuczvara, James C. Pullos, Mary Jo Smerz, Sandra J. Weber and Anthony E. Zecchin – Assistant States Attorneys; R. Hickey – Attorney-at-Law, Hickey, Melia & Associates; Christopher Kelleher – Attorney-at-Law, Querry & Harrow, Ltd.; Donald Lanzito – Attorney-at-Law, Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC

Court Reporter: Anthony W. Lisanti, C.S.R.

Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to Receive and File the State’s Attorney’s Status Reports. The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, moved to convene Executive Session. The motion carried.

Chairman Suffredin announced that the Subcommittee was returning to Regular Session.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Terrence Austin v. Cook County and Former Commissioner Peraica*. The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Bryant v. Lenti, et al.* The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Chermaine Smith, et al. v. City of Chicago, et al.* The motion carried.

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Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office in the matter of *Leonard Cahnmann, Christine Opp, and Edward Barrett v. State's Attorney's Office*. The motion carried.

Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office in the matter of *Ricky Granderson v. State's Attorney's Office*. The motion carried.

Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office in the matter of *Jacob Mitchell v. County of Cook, et al.* The motion carried.

Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office in the matter of *Wanda Harkins, Individually and as Next Friend of Raymone Bowe v. Norwegian American Hospital, Joseph Mejia, M.D., and County of Cook*. The motion carried.

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to Receive and File the matter of *MB Financial Bank as Administrator of the Estate Of Wendy Cash, Deceased v. County of Cook, et al.* The motion carried.

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to Receive and File the matter of *Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Dept., et al.* The motion carried.

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to Receive and File the matter of *Michael Parish, et al. v. County of Cook & Sheriff*. The motion carried.

Patrick Driscoll, Deputy State's Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau, agreed to provide reports, on an ongoing basis, which detail how much cases settle for, where settlement authority has been granted.

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to authorize invoice payments for special counsels (Tabs #1 through #11 in Volume 2) which are in compliance with the County's Attorney-Fee Guidelines. The motion carried.

Tab 1	Tribler, Orpett & Meyer, P.C. Case No. 2010 IN 00661	ARDC Complaint Regarding Jerome Barrido
Tab 2	Donohue Brown Mathewson & Smyth LLC Case No. 09 CV 5027	<i>Santana v. Cook County Board of Review, et al.</i>
Tab 3	Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 11 C 4028	<i>Capra v. Cook County</i>
Tab 4	Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 11 C 4655	<i>Hayes-Newell, et al., v. Trost, et al.</i>
Tab 5	Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 11 C 8126	<i>LaFranco v. Cook County, et al.</i>

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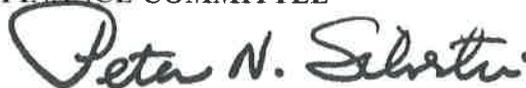
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Tab 6	Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 08 C 3613	<i>Lambert v. Jamison, et al.</i>
Tab 7	Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 09 C 5027	<i>Santana v. Cook County, et al.</i>
Tab 8	Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 10 C 6682	<i>Satkar v. Cook County, et al.</i>
Tab 9	Querrey & Harrow, Ltd. Case No. 07 C 855	<i>Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Department</i>
Tab 10	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 04 C 3367	<i>James Degorski v. Cook County Sheriff, et al.</i>
Tab 11	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 10 C 2946	<i>United States of America v. Cook County, et al.</i>

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski moved to Adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

LITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE



PETER N. SILVESTRI, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


MATTHEW B. DeLEON, SECRETARY