

REPORT OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LITIGATION

October 3, 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, October 3, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., in the County Building, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Absent: Vice Chairman Fritchey (1)

Also Present: Commissioner Robert B. Steele; Patrick Driscoll, Jr. – Deputy State’s Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Mark N. Pera – Assistant State’s Attorney; Melinda Malecki – System Director of Risk Management for Cook County

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

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to Receive and File the Case Disposition Summary Report. The motion carried.

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

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

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Keith Johnson*. The motion carried.

Patrick Driscoll, Jr., Deputy State’s Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau, stated that he would speak to the General Counsel of John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital to determine whether the Litigation Subcommittee has the right to review discipline documents prepared by the Hospital’s Risk Management personnel.

Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Collins, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *The Foster Group v. The County of Cook*. The motion carried.

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Commissioner Tobolski, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to authorize invoice payments for special counsels (Tabs #1 through #4 in Volume 2) which are in compliance with the County's Attorney-Fee Guidelines. The motion carried.

Tab 1	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 04 C 3367	<i>James Degorski v. Cook County Sheriff, et al.</i>
Tab 2	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 10 C 2946	<i>United States of America v. Cook County, et al.</i>
Tab 3	Rock, Fusco & Connell, LLC Case No. 11 C 8126	<i>LaFranco v. Cook County, et al.</i>
Tab 4	Querry & Harrow, Ltd. Case No. 07 C 855	<i>Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Dept., et al.</i>

Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, 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

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