

REPORT OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LITIGATION

November 12, 2013

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 Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the County Building, Room 569, Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION 1

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Chairman Silvestri, Vice Chairman Fritchey and Commissioners Gainer, Schneider and Suffredin (5)

Absent: Commissioners Collins and Tobolski (2)

Also Present: Commissioners Reyes; Kimberly Foxx – Chief of Staff to President Preckwinkle; Patrick Driscoll, Jr. – Deputy State’s Attorney and Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Sandra Navarro, James Pullos and Michael Sorich – Assistant State’s Attorneys; Matthew Burke – First Assistant General Counsel - Office of the Sheriff; Paul O’Grady – Attorney-at-Law, Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC

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

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Gainer, moved to Receive and File the Litigation Subcommittee Case Disposition Report. The motion carried.

Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to enter into Executive Session. The motion carried.

Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey, moved to return to Regular Session. The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Wyatt v. Hart, et al.* Case No. 11 C 5353 (Litigation Jacket No. 317777). The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Renard Lewis v. Cook County* Case No. 10 S-ARB 51 (Litigation Jacket No. 323665). The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State’s Attorney’s Office in the matter of *Calvin Walker v. Cook County*, Case No. 10 S-ARB 57 (Litigation Jacket No. 323666). The motion carried.

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey, moved to Concur with the Recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office in the matter of *Michael Wright v. Cook County*, Case No. 10 S-ARB 58 (Litigation Jacket No. 323667). The motion carried.

Vice Chairman Fritchey, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to authorize invoice payments for special counsels in Tab #1 through Tab #7 in Volume 2 which are in compliance with the County's Attorney-Fee Guidelines. The motion carried.

Tab 1	Donohue Brown Mathewson & Smyth Case No. 11 C 4028	<i>Capra v. Cook County, et al.</i>
Tab 2	Meckler Bugler Tilson Marick & Pearson LLP Case No. 11 CV 3490	<i>Valle v. Sheriff Thomas Dart, Palomino, et al.</i>
Tab 3	Rock Fusco & Connelly, LLC Case No. 08 C 3613	<i>Lambert v. Jamison, et al.</i>
Tab 4	Querry & Harrow, Ltd. Case No. 07 C 855	<i>Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Dept., et al.</i>
Tab 5	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 12 L 5432	<i>Gwendolyn Bell v. Cook County</i>
Tab 6	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 04 C 3367	<i>James Degorski v. Cook County Sheriff, et al.</i>
Tab 7	Peterson, Johnson & Murray, LLC Case No. 10 C 2946	<i>United States of America v. Cook County, et al.</i>

As regards the transfer of the oversight of the release of Cook County Jail inmates on electronic monitoring from the Sheriff's Office to the President's Office, Kimberly Foxx, Chief of Staff to President Preckwinkle, agreed to provide, in writing, clarification as to who will appoint the judges who will grant release on electronic monitoring, what the salaries of these judges will be, and whether President Preckwinkle has the right to overrule the judges.

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

SECTION 2

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS
WITH REGARD TO THE MATTERS NAMED HEREIN:**

Communication Number 323665
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Communication Number 317777

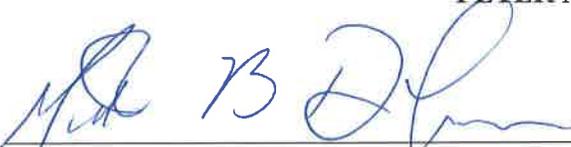
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PETER N. SILVESTRI, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


MATTHEW B. DeLEON, SECRETARY

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