



**Forest Preserve District of Cook County
Board of Commissioners**

Minutes of the Litigation Committee

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

9:00 AM

**Thatcher Woods Pavilion, 8030 Chicago
Avenue, River Forest, Illinois**

ATTENDANCE

Present: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison (excused), and Stamps (excused) (3)

Chairman Britton asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Forest Preserves Code of Ordinances, Section 1-5-4.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 6/11/2024

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to approve 24-0344. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

CASES PENDING LITIGATION

Permission to Try - *John Regalado v. Forest Preserve District of Cook County, et al* - 19 L 64016

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Morita, to approve 24-0337. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

REPORT

Department: Legal Department

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Outside Counsel Invoices

Report Period: 6/12/2024 - 7/23/2024

Summary: Summary report of outside counsel invoices submitted in connection with Board Item No. 24-0339.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morita, seconded by Vice Chairperson Lowry, to receive and filed 24-0338. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

Presented by: EILEEN FIGEL, Interim General Superintendent

INVOICES RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

1. Invoices submitted for legal services 05/01/2024 through 05/31/2024, and a revised invoice submitted for legal services 12/01/2022 through 12/31/2022, by Ancel Glink, P.C. for a labor related matter and various litigated matters.
2. Invoice submitted for legal services 03/01/2024 through 05/31/2024 by the Cook County State's Attorney Office for ordinance enforcement matters.
3. Invoices submitted for legal services 03/01/2024 through 03/31/2024 and 05/01/2024 through 05/31/2024 by Del Galdo Law Group, LLC for a real estate matter and various litigated matters.
4. Invoices submitted for legal services 05/01/2024 through 06/30/2024 by Gildea, Coghlan & Regan, Ltd. for various litigated matters.
5. Invoices submitted for legal services 02/01/2024 through 04/30/2024 by Jackson Lewis PC for labor related matters.
6. Invoices submitted for legal services 04/01/2024 through 05/31/2024 by Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd. for real estate related matters and a litigated matter.
7. Invoices submitted for legal services 04/21/2024 through 06/20/2024 by Laner Muchin for a labor related matter.
8. Invoices submitted for legal services 04/01/2024 through 05/31/2024 by Odelson, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd. for a real estate related matter and various litigated matters.
9. Invoices submitted for legal services 04/01/2024 through 05/31/2024 by Schain Banks for real estate related matters.
10. Invoices submitted for legal services 02/01/2024 through 02/29/2024 and 04/01/2024 through 05/31/2024 by Tristan & Cervantes for various litigated matters.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to concur with the recommendation of the Forest Preserve District attorneys on the legal matter(s) listed above 24-0339. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

Presented by: EILEEN FIGEL, Interim General Superintendent

CASES - INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

Report of Claims Settled Under \$30,000 per Ordinance 21-0270

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to receive and filed 24-0340. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

Presented by: EILEEN FIGEL, Interim General Superintendent

CASES - INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

Quarterly Status Reports from Outside Counsel per Ordinance 21-0270

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to receive and filed 24-0341. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner MAGGIE TREVOR, seconded by Commissioner JOSINA MORITA, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Lowry, Morita and Trevor (4)

Absent: Degnen, S. Morrison and Stamps (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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